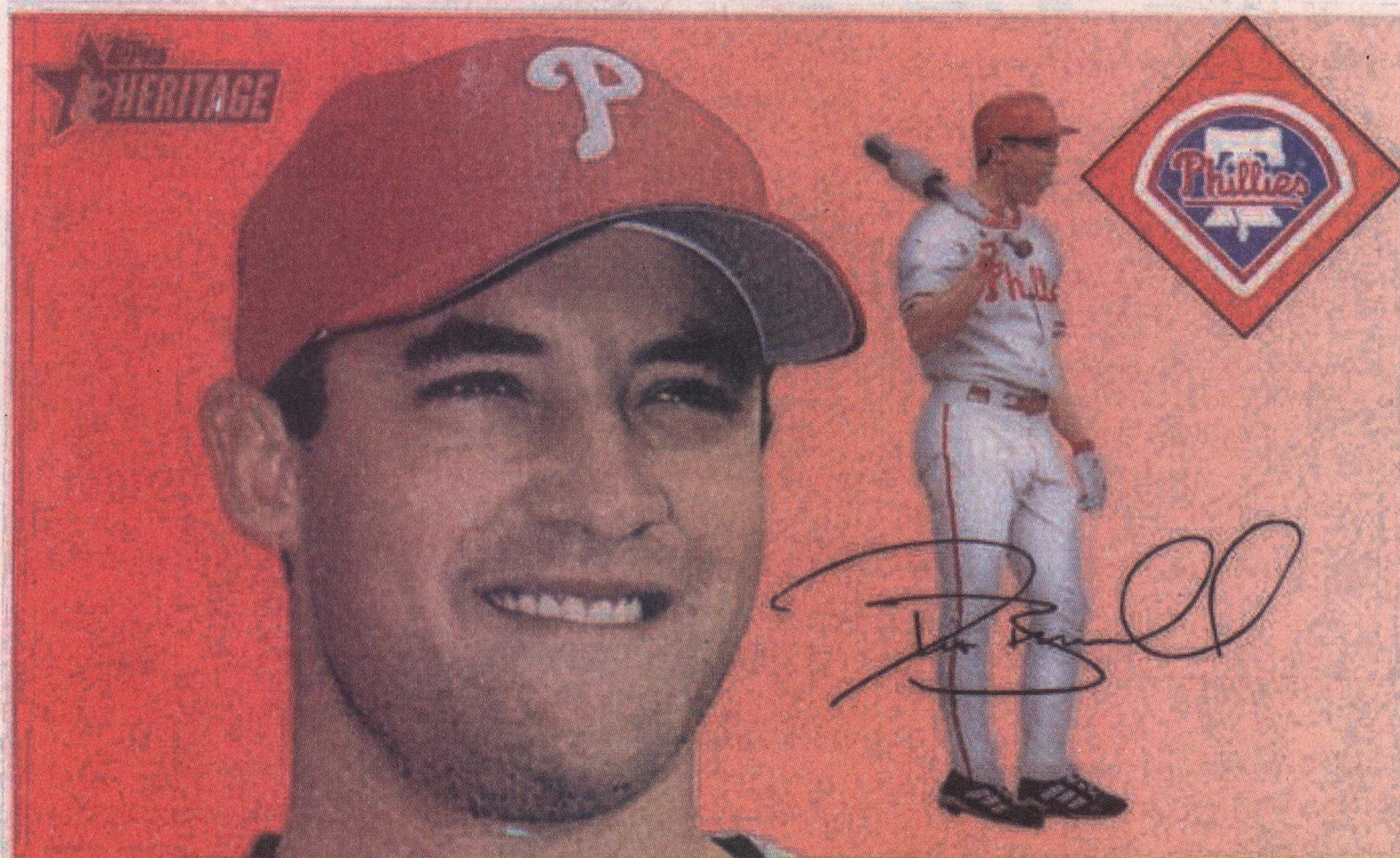


Baseball 521.06

# THE BEST OF THE BEST

In celebration of its 150 years of publishing, the Sentinel selects its all-time all-county baseball team. The talent pool was deep, the decisions tough, the task fun.



**PAT BURRELL** outfield PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES®

## OUR STARTING NINE:

(Clockwise from top left) Bo Hart, Casey McGehee, Glenallen Hill, Dann Bilardello, Pat Burrell, Darryl Ratliff, Mark Eichhorn, John Sipin and Joe Brovia.



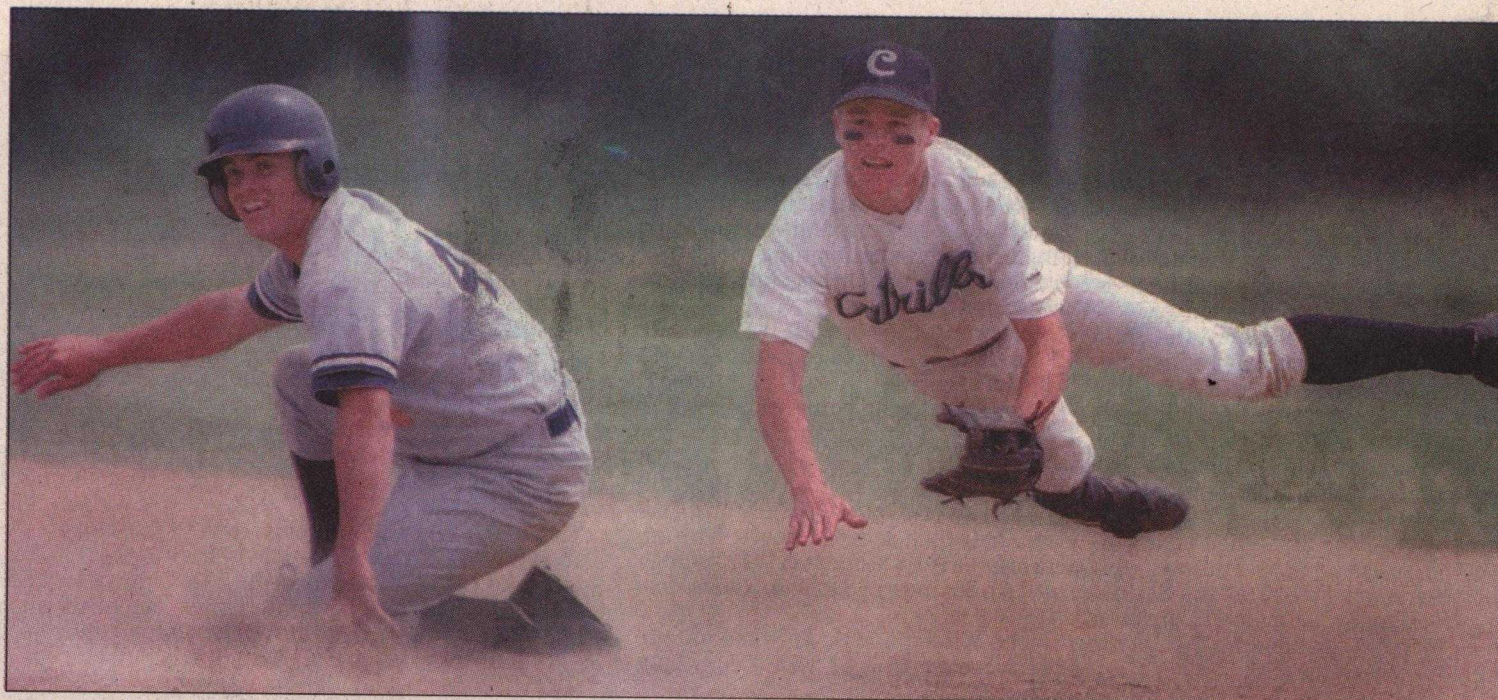
## A closer look at the starting nine plus ....

■ A look at the other great players to emerge from Santa Cruz County  
 ■ Jim Seimas' take on the talent-rich area.

**Pages C4-5**



# SURF, SUN, SEEDS



## Santa Cruz's diamond stars: From wooden bats to iron arms

In the 150 years the Sentinel has operated, the game of baseball has transformed from the stick-ball, sand-lot era to its current state — an offensive-driven fireworks show featuring players swinging bats built like torpedoes.

Schools have opened and closed. Players have come and gone — some to highest level of the game. All of them have added to the folklore of this ocean-bordering community. They've proven Santa Cruz and the rest of the county is as much pine tar and sunflower seeds as it is Mr. Zogs Sex Wax and surfboards.

Today we honor some of them with the Sentinel's all-time baseball team.

In addition to our starting nine, we present our up-for-debate, all-time 40-man roster. It has a little bit of everything, from the dominant high school player to the current big-league star, like Philadelphia's Pat Burrell.



**JIM  
SEIMAS**

Current and ex-coaches were interviewed, as were several ex-players. They nominated players, some of which came up with more frequency than others. Most of the athletes nominated played after 1950, and take most of the slots on the roster. Local baseball historian Geoffrey Dunn reminds us of some of the greats who played prior to 1950.

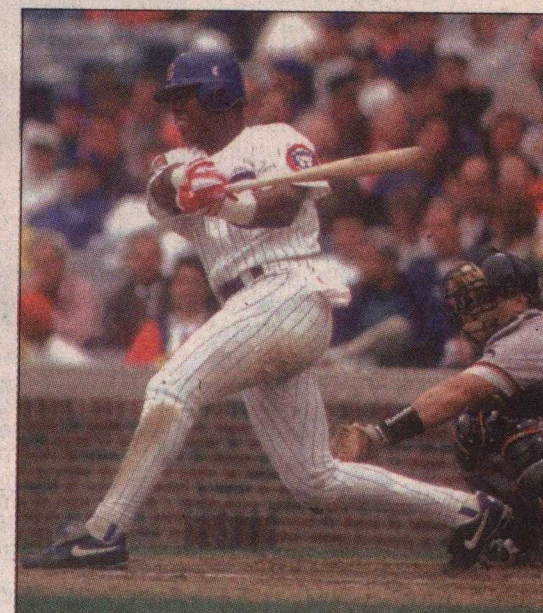
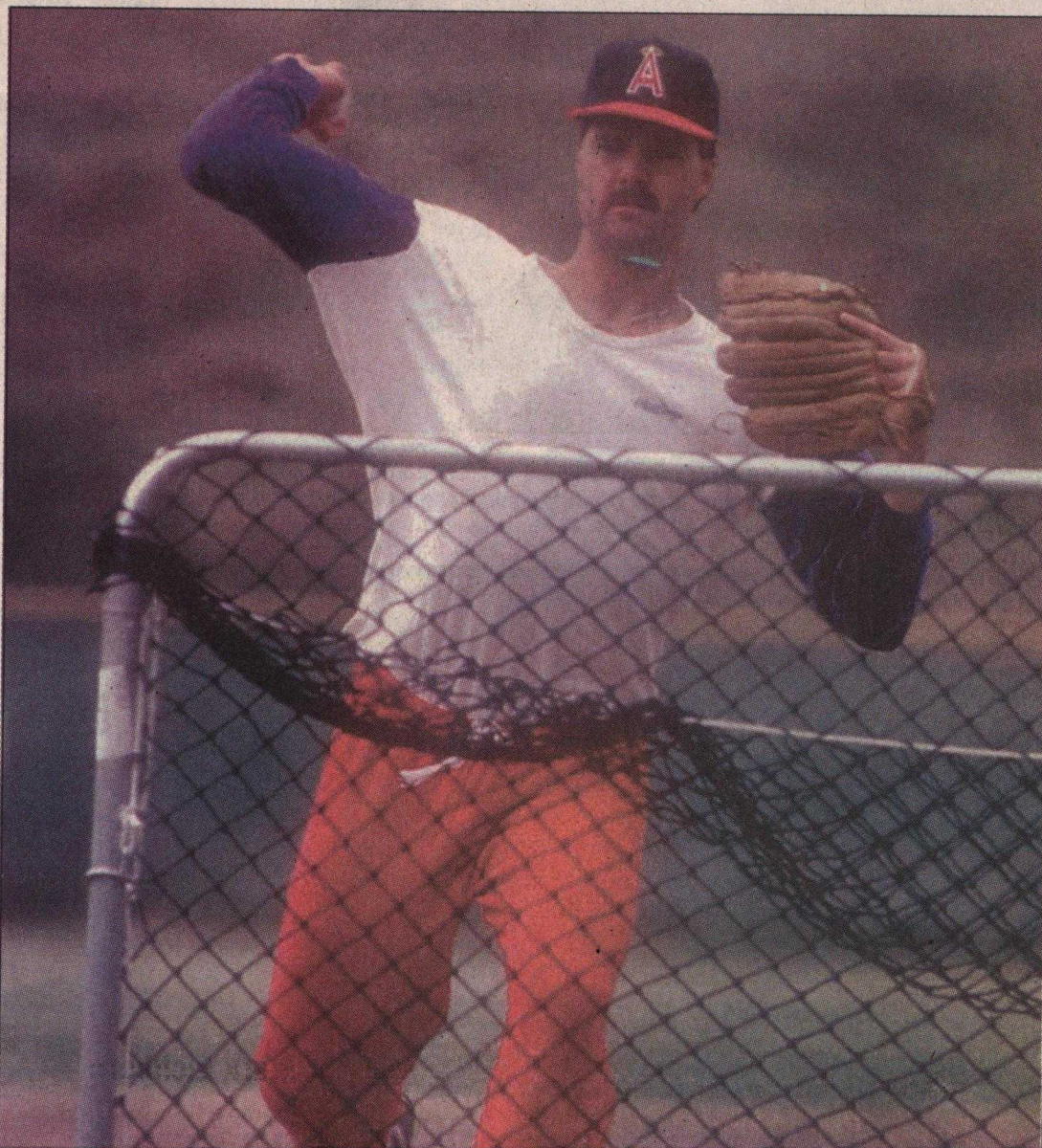
A lot of names were submitted, more than 200 in all. The roster went through a lot of downsizing, agonizing deletions of players who shined at the high school or junior-college level and then, for one reason or another, stopped playing.

One of the more notable cuts was Gino Panelli, the All-County MVP as a Santa Cruz senior in 1983, the year teammate Glenallen Hill was an honorable-mention selection.

We tried to reward those who stuck with the game as long as their body allowed. Along the way, we ran into some interesting characters and performances.

Pitcher Steve Glaum didn't mind his coaches coming to the mound, but there was no way they were taking the ball from his hand.

"I had an iron arm," said Glaum, who helped pitch UC Riverside to the Division II College



Bill Lovejoy/Sentinel file photos

**GOING BIGS:** (Clockwise from top) Bo Hart, Glenallen Hill and Mark Eichhorn all have reached the major leagues from Santa Cruz County.

his prodigious blasts at Seals Stadium in the Pacific Coast League. He made tape-measure shots routine.

John Sipin was hitting mammoth shots overseas. That's no exaggeration. He was as big in Japan as Godzilla. Sipin was a slick-fielding middle infielder with outfielder-like power numbers.

During a break between innings at a recent high school game, ultra prep fan Harold Shaw told Aptos pitching coach Mark Eichhorn that Sipin was the best shortstop to come out of Watsonville.

Eichhorn, who also played for Watsonville and signed with the Toronto Blue Jays out of Cabrillo College, reminded Shaw that he was drafted as a shortstop before having a stellar career as a middle reliever. "Yeah, he may have been a better shortstop," Eichhorn said with a smile. "But I



World Series title as a senior in 1977. "I never wanted to come out of a game."

Glaum pitched a 14-inning complete game against Oregon State in '76. The details have escaped him. He's not sure if he won or lost the game. "I probably threw close to 170 pitches, if not more," he said.

Extended stays on the mound occurred in high school too. In 1975, Harbor High's Jim Cavanah earned a 2-1, 11-inning victory over North Salinas. Cavanah finished with a Pirates-record 19 strikeouts in the contest. He finished with another school-record according to a yellowed newspaper clipping — 173 pitches.

"There was no inning limit," said Bill Dodge, who coached Santa Cruz to more than 500 wins and 14 league championships in his 30-year tenure. "They didn't put one in until after I left in '86."

Pitching coaches weren't commonplace either. "I never had a pitching coach," said Brian Sinnott, a 1960 graduate of Holy Cross who went on to reach the Triple-A level for the Cardinals. "Each team had a manager and they were usually a position player. You had to figure it out on your own."

If you had the right stuff, you stayed in the game, simple as that.

"Everything was different," Dodge said. "The games were always one-run games. There weren't many blowouts. You also didn't play as many games back then. Pitchers dominated. Now, you don't play for one run, because you need seven or eight to win."

Hitters simply couldn't catch up to a dominant fastball with those heavy wooden bats.

SLV had two guys who could bring the heat in 1966 — sophomore Bob Beach and senior Kevin Crain.



Beach recorded a school-record 18 strikeouts in a nine-inning game in '66 and one month later, Crain had 18 in a seven-inning contest to gain the school's top mark.

"We had quite the competition going between us," Beach said.

Crain struck out close to 500 batters in his three-year varsity career with the then-dominant Cougars.

There have also been plenty of sluggers hailing from the county.

SLV lost Pat Burrell to Bellarmine after his freshman year, but Soquel benefitted from senior transfer Terry Taylor, who previously played in the San Mateo area.

"I remember calling his old high school to find out about this kid," said Knights coach Ron Walters, who coached the Knights from 1962-76. "I ask if this kid was any good, what's his story?"

Their coach just said, 'He's better than any player you've got.' I told him, 'How do you know? You've never seen my team.' He told me he didn't have to.

... Taylor was the best athlete I ever coached. He

## More on the Web

■ See [www.santacruzsentinel.com](http://www.santacruzsentinel.com) for more photos of all-time Santa Cruz County greats. Send us your baseball memories by e-mail to [jseimas@santacruzsentinel.com](mailto:jseimas@santacruzsentinel.com)

was a white clone of Willie Mays, making basket catches. He could run, catch, hit and throw. He had a real strong arm. He hit balls that are still going."

Taylor made all-league as a senior and signed with Cleveland after they took him in the third round of 1966 draft. He later blew out his knee.

People often talk about Santa Cruz's Glenallen Hill, who hit a home run over the left field bleachers at Wrigley Field in 2000 while playing for the Chicago Cubs. The ball landed atop an apartment rooftop across Waveland Ave. He was traded to the New York Yankees later that season and helped them win the World Series.

Davenport's late great Joe Brovia was known for

guarantee I was a better pitcher than John was."

No argument here. We agree.

Eichhorn isn't the only coach to shine in his heyday. Scotts Valley High coach Giuseppe Chiaramonte, who many consider the best catcher to come from the area, went on to make Fresno State's Hall of Fame after shining at Soquel and produced some monster power numbers.

Monte Vista Christian's Memo Torres, now more Pillsbury Dough Boy than home run hitter, was a masher of a catcher too. He hit three home runs for Cabrillo in a game — one to each field — against Cuesta in 1986.

Around 1974, the insurgence of metal bats increased offense and changed the game. The change was seen as a temporary solution to reduce expenses. Wooden bats broke too often, costing schools too much money. The money-saving change stuck.

"I remember a salesman sold me a dozen laminated bamboo bats," Walters said. "He swore they wouldn't break. We broke them all in one day. I had to mail those back."

It was commonplace for teams to nail fragments of broken wooden bats back together, Dodge said. Heck, his wife Roberta regularly sewed patches over holes in baseball pants.

"We didn't look like the best, but we played like the best," Dodge said of his 1963 team, which won the Tournament of Champions.

Who was on that team?

Did any of them make our team?

Take a look.

Contact Jim Seimas at [jseimas@santacruzsentinel.com](mailto:jseimas@santacruzsentinel.com).

# THE GOOD OLD DAYS OF SANTA CRUZ BASEBALL

## Roots of the game run deep in county

By GEOFFREY DUNN  
SPECIAL TO THE SENTINEL

Baseball was big in Santa Cruz County during the 19th Century — so big that Santa Cruz was one of a handful of California cities to host a Pacific Coast League (PCL) baseball team, the West Coast equivalent to the major leagues.

There were also semi-pro and industrial teams scattered throughout the county — from the Felton Woodpeckers to the Watsonville Pippins to a team sponsored by the California Powderworks that played at Pogonip — all sporting strong line-ups and competing more than equitably with teams from across the state.

One of the most heralded of the early local teams was the Ely Electrics, owned by William Ely, the founder of Santa Cruz's burgeoning streetcar system. The team featured local sandlot star "Sandow" Otto (brother of famed Sentinel reporter Ernest Otto) and a host of other Northern California standouts, including William "Red Dog" Devereaux and Julius "Jules" Strieb, who played their games at the western end of Ely's streetcar run, on West Cliff Drive.

In 1898, many of the Electrics formed the Santa Cruz Beachcombers (later the Sandcrabs), owned and managed by the

celebrated town booster Fred Swanton in the newly organized PCL. The team played its games directly across from the bathhouses and arcades at the main beach, at what was then known as Dolphin Field (now the main parking lot for the Boardwalk).

The Beachcombers were led by longtime stalwarts Devereaux and Strieb, as well as by brothers Ed and Charley Daubenbiss, of the pioneer Soquel logging family.

Two other players from the Beachcombers, "Turkey Mike" Donlin and Frank Arellanes, found their way to the major leagues. Donlin was to compile a .333 lifetime batting average over a 12 year big league career, while Santa Cruz native Arellanes, an infielder-turned-pitcher whose brothers Abe and Tom also played on the Beachcombers, had his contract purchased by the Boston Red Sox in 1908.

A year later, Arellanes was joined on the Red Sox by another young alumnus of the local sandlots, Harry "The Hat" Hooper. Hooper's family moved to Capitola in the early 1900s, and after receiving an engineering degree from St. Mary's College, Hooper played baseball on weekends for teams in Soquel and Alameda before being called up by the Red Sox.

For the next 17 seasons, Hooper was one of the game's biggest stars, and was regularly among the American League leaders in triples, stolen bases, and assists for outfielders.

Following his big league career, Hooper eventually returned to Capitola, where he served as the city's postmaster for 25 years and continued to play local baseball well into his forties. In 1971 he was named to Baseball's Hall of Fame. He died in 1974.

If Hooper was the Golden Boy of local baseball, Hal Chase was its perennial Bad Boy. Chase played his first organized baseball for the semi-pro Soquel Giants before embarking on a professional career that eventually took him to the big show with the New York Highlanders (later the Yankees) in 1905.

Most baseball historians regard "Prince Hal" as the finest fielding first baseman of his era, but he was also an incorrigible drinker and gambler whose off-the-field antics and suspicious on-the-field mis-cues eventually got him expelled from the game.

While Santa Cruz County had ample representation in professional baseball during the game's so-called Golden Era, its connection to the big show during the years surrounding World War II was relatively slim.

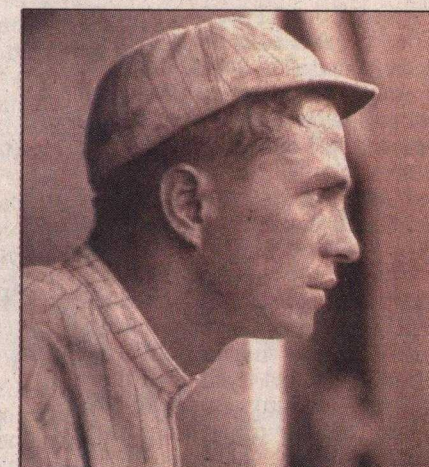
Bud Beasley, a star on the 1929 Santa Cruz High team and who later became a legendary coach in Reno, Nevada, was a celebrated left-handed pitcher for the Sacramento Solons and Seattle Pilots of the PCL.

Another former Santa Cruz High pitcher, Bill Clemensen, pitched briefly for the Pittsburgh Pirates in the years surrounding World War II.

Many young Santa Cruz men went off to fight in Europe and the Pacific during the war, and, when they returned, tried to reclaim their lost youths. A number of fine semi-pro teams sprung up locally in this era, the most prominent being the Santa Cruz Seahawks and Swiss Dairy. The later club featured a number of local Italian-American players, including Louie Castagnola, Dick Fassio, and Nig Tamagni, as well as brothers Fred and Paul Juhl and Johnny Reis.

The one certified Santa Cruz star during the war era was another player of Italian descent, Joltin' Joe Brovia, better known as the "Davenport Destroyer."

Also a product of Santa Cruz High, Brovia was one of the most feared hitters in PCL history and was named to the all-time PCL team, based on his lifetime PCL batting average of .305 and 194 career homers.



Contributed photo

**HALL OF FAMER:** Harry Hooper played 17 seasons with the Boston Red Sox before coming back to Capitola to become postmaster.

Finally, at the age of 33 — after 16 years in professional baseball — Brovia got his chance at the major leagues, when the Cincinnati Reds called him up for a cup of coffee in the middle of the 1955 season, collecting a couple of singles in 18 pinch hit appearances.

"Santa Cruz has always been a great baseball town," Brovia said before his death in 1994. "When I grew up here, hell, that's all we could think about: baseball, baseball, baseball. It's a great game."

Geoffrey Dunn is the author of *Santa Cruz Is in the Heart*. He can be contacted at [geoffreydunn@comcast.net](mailto:geoffreydunn@comcast.net).



# ALL-SENTINEL BASEBALL TEAM

Sunday, May 21, 2006 SANTA CRUZ SENTINEL C-5

## LEFT FIELD



### Glenallen Hill

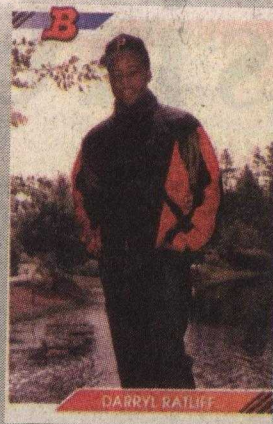
**POSITION:** Right field, left field.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Santa Cruz (Class of '83).

**DRAFTED:** By the Toronto Blue Jays in 9th round (219th overall) of 1983 amateur entry draft (June Regular Phase).

**RESUME:** The 6-3, 230-pound outfielder became the National League's first designated hitter during a '97 game with the Texas Rangers. Funny, because Hill was known for his bat. In his 13 year Major League career, Hill had a lifetime batting average of .271, hitting 186 home runs and driving in 586 runs. Currently the hitting coach for the Colorado Rockies' Single-A affiliate Modesto Nuts, Hill once smacked a home run onto an apartment rooftop beyond the left field bleachers at Wrigley Field when he was a Chicago Cub in 2000. Later that season he was traded to the New York Yankees, and helped them win the World Series.

## CENTER FIELD



### Darryl Ratliff

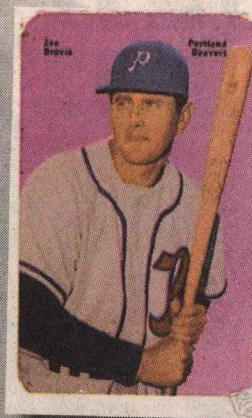
**POSITION:** Center field.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Santa Cruz (Class of 1988).

**DRAFTED:** By the Pittsburgh Pirates in 5th round (122nd overall) of 1988 draft (June Regular Phase).

**RESUME:** The prototypical leadoff hitter had speed and made his mark on defense. He was an on-base hitter. In '95, his sixth season in the Pirates' organization, Ratliff batted .345 in Triple-A Calgary. He was demoted to Double-A ball in '96, while carrying a .368 average. Earlier in his minor league career, Pittsburgh was a little stacked in the outfield with guys like Barry Bonds, Moises Alou, Bobby Bonilla and Andy Van Slyke. Still, Ratliff was an athlete. That's why he was selected 659 picks before future NFL and MLB talent Deion Sanders was taken by the Yankees.

## RIGHT FIELD



### Joe Brovia

**POSITION:** Outfield.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Santa Cruz.

**DRAFTED:** Free-agent signee.

**RESUME:** He swung the big lumber like it was toothpick. Known for his power, the 6-foot-4, 210-pound slugger had a lifetime .311 average in 1,805 minor league games (.304 lifetime in the Pacific Coast League) producing 1,846 hits, 1,144 RBIs and 214 home runs. Known for his prodigious home runs over the four-story high fence at Seals Stadium, called the "Green Monster" of the Coast League. One to center was estimated to have traveled 500-plus feet. "A young Willie Mays is said to have remarked, "Man, that's a \$5 cab ride" when shown where the ball landed. Brovia was inducted into the PCL Hall of Fame in 2005. Not the fleetest afoot, nor a deft defensive player, he had a short stint with the Cincinnati Reds in 1955, but only batted as a pinch hitter.

# Our Starting 9

## SHORTSTOP



### John Sipin

**POSITION:** Second base, Shortstop.

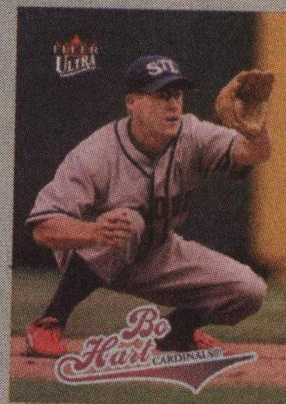
**HIGH SCHOOL:** Watsonville High (Class of 1964).

**COLLEGE:** Cabrillo College ('65).

**DRAFTED:** By Cardinals in 55th round (785th overall) of 1965 draft (June Regular Phase).

**RESUME:** A middle infielder with a big bat and solid glove, Sipin took his game overseas after his cup of coffee with the San Diego Padres in '69. Even though Sipin's MLB career lasted 68 games, he made the league's record book by hitting two triples in his debut. His played in Japan from 1972-80, and was selected to the "Best Nine" team in '72 and '73, when he also won Gold Gloves with Whales. Sipin played the first six seasons of his Japanese career with the Whales before moving to the Giants for his three final seasons. He compiled a career .297 batting average with 218 home runs and 625 RBIs in Japan.

## SECOND BASE



### Bo Hart

**POSITION:** Second base, shortstop.

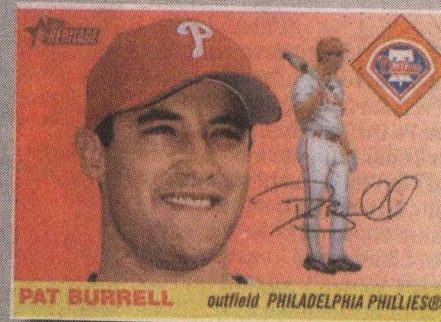
**HIGH SCHOOL:** Soquel (Class of '95).

**COLLEGE:** Cabrillo College (96-97), Gonzaga University (98-99).

**DRAFTED:** By the St. Louis Cardinals in 33rd round (1,002nd overall) of 1999 amateur entry draft (June Regular Phase).

**RESUME:** Always shining on defense, Hart, an all-County pick as a senior, came into his own offensively his sophomore season at Cabrillo. He hit .379 with a state-leading 38 steals. He also hit seven HRs, scored 54 runs and had 30 RBIs to earn MVP honors in the Coast Conference. A two-time All-West Coast Conference selection, Hart still holds the Gonzaga's single-season record with 69 runs his senior campaign. When he got called up to the St. Louis in 2003, Hart became a fixture on ESPN, recording seven multihit games in 10 appearances and a .460 batting average (23-for-50 overall). He played two seasons for St. Louis, but now is in Triple-A for Colorado.

## FIRST BASE



### Pat Burrell

**POSITION:** Leftfield, First base.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** San Lorenzo Valley ('92), Bellarmine College Prep (Class of 1995).

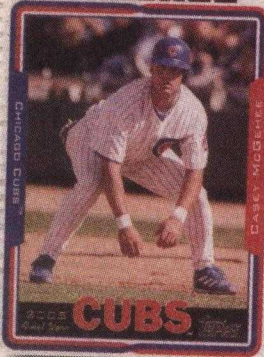
**COLLEGE:** University of Miami ('96-98).

**DRAFTED:** By Red Sox in 43rd round (1,194th overall) of 1995 draft (June Regular Phase) ... By the Philadelphia Phillies in 1st round (1st overall) of 1998 draft (June Regular Phase).

**RESUME:** The 6-4, 225-pounder was the Golden Spikes Award (outstanding amateur player) winner in 1998, one of many accolades thrust upon the can't-miss major-leaguer. In three years at Miami, the multi-time All-American had a .442 lifetime average and .888 slugging percentage (2nd in NCAA history to Oklahoma State's Pete Incaviglia, .915). Through six seasons with the Philadelphia Phillies, he has 159 HRs and 549 RBIs.

## THIRD BASE

### McGEHEE



### Casey McGehee

**POSITION:** Third base.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Soquel (Class of 2000).

**COLLEGE:** Fresno State University ('01-03).

**DRAFTED:** By the Chicago Cubs in 10th round (283rd overall) of 2003 draft.

## CATCHER



### Dann Bilardello

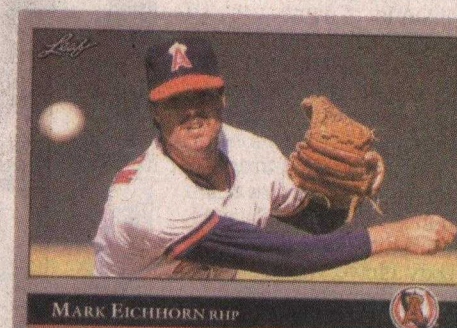
**POSITION:** Catcher.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Marelo Prep (Class of 1977).

**COLLEGE:** Cabrillo College ('78).

**DRAFTED:** By the Los Angeles Dodgers in 1st round (7th overall) of 1978 draft (June Secondary Phase).

## PITCHER



### Mark Eichhorn



(June Regular Phase).

**RESUME:** His game-winning HR helped Soquel go 18-0 in league his senior year. He was a lifetime .345 hitter in three seasons at Fresno State. He's climbed a level of the Cubs' farm system each season with his consistent bat and deft fielding at third base, though he played catcher for one season to help the organization. He played in both the Single-A and Double-A All-Star games and is now competing in for Triple-A Iowa.



**RESUME:** Played eight seasons in the majors with four different teams. Hit his first major league home run off Tom Seaver, the New York Mets' future hall of famer, on April 26, 1983. Known for his work behind the plate, Bilardello shined on defense. He was a .204 lifetime hitter. He coached in the minors for the Boston Red Sox last season.

**POSITION:** Right-handed pitcher.

**HIGH SCHOOL:** Watsonville High (Class of '78). **COLLEGE:** Cabrillo College ('79).

**DRAFTED:** By the Blue Jays in 2nd round (30th overall) of 1979 draft (January Regular Phase).

**RESUME:** Drafted a shortstop, but remembered as the finest pitcher from the county. The relief pitcher was among vote getters for 1986 AL Cy Young Award and AL Rookie of the Year honors with a 14-6 record, 10 saves and 1.72 ERA. He was five innings short of qualifying for the ERA crown that was won by Roger Clemens (2.48). The ex-shortstop had a unique sidearm delivery that had staying power. He appeared in a league-high 89 games in 1987. His big league career began with short stint in '82 but eventually spanned 11 seasons with four teams.

## THE 40-MAN ROSTER

### PITCHERS

NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	CAREER NOTES
Bob Beach	SLV (Class of 1968)	RHP recorded 259 Ks in 177.1 IP over final two prep seasons ... Drafted 3 times, including twice in first round, but never signed ... was U of A's ace
Kevin Crain	SLV ('66)	RHP was 3-time all-MTAL pick with 43-7 record, including 5 no-hitters and a perfect game ... prep career ERA close to 1.00 with 460+ strikeouts
Mark Eichhorn	Watsonville ('78)	Ex-SS shined on mound in bigs ... RHP among vote getters for AL Cy Young Award and AL Rookie of the Year in '86, was 5 IP shy of qualifying for ERA title
Dave Eichhorn	Watsonville ('80)	RHP went 11-0 as Cabrillo sophomore to earn Coast Conference MVP in '82, helping team win the Division II state title ... played for Univ. of Miami
Pat Fetty	Soquel ('86)	Threw for Univ. of New Mexico ... Recorded club-record 27 saves in Milwaukee's Single-A affiliate in '92 ... Tried to become replacement player in '95
Lauren Gagnier	Santa Cruz (2003)	RHP hurled no-hitter in CCS in '02 ... Led Cards to CCS crown in '03 ... Helped Fullerton win national title in '04 ... Briefly led nation in wins (10) in '06
Steve Glaum	Aptos ('73)	Threw 14-inning complete game in '76 ... Helped UC Riverside win the Division II national title in '77 ... Named co-Most Outstanding Player in series
Pete Hamm	Soquel ('65)	In '67, the 6-foot-5, 215-pound RHP led Stanford to Pac-8 and NCAA District titles, third place in CWS ... Made big-league debut with Twins in '70
Tim Hamm	Soquel ('78)	The RHP (6-5, 210) was in Triple-A with Hawaii Islanders within three years of graduation ... Was on S.D. Padres' 40-man roster from '81-83
Dana Hendershott	Santa Cruz ('67)	Two-time all-MBL pick with win percentage near 1.000 and ERA near 1.00 ... Named to USF HOF ... Has USF career records for wins (22) and Ks (299)
Wayne Kirby	Soquel ('69)	RHP hurled 47.1 consecutive scoreless innings in Double-A with Memphis Blues of Texas League ... Made Triple-A with Mets ('73-74) and A's ('76-77)
Mark Nipp	Aptos ('75)	RHP was second-team All-American with Oklahoma Sooners in '77 and '78 (12 wins, nation-low 0.72 ERA) ... Reached Triple-A in Dodgers' organization
Stan Pillsbury	Santa Cruz ('63)	Senior LHP went 10-1 in '63, helping Cards win fourth straight CCAL title and inaugural Tournament of Champions ... Had 13 Ks in final game vs. S.J.
Gregg Press	Santa Cruz ('89)	A free-agent signee with the Marlins, the RHP was named to the Midwest and Florida State League all-star games. Did so after having arm surgery
Evan Rust	SLV ('96)	Free-agent signee out of St. Mary's college shot through Devil Rays' system to Triple-A ... Traded to Cardinals, also played in Triple-A
Chris Sherman	Soquel ('97)	The '97 County Player of the Year, helped San Jose State tie for the Western Athletic Conference title and advance to the College World Series in 2000
Brian Sinnott	Holy Cross ('60)	Posted a 0.27 ERA in Catholic Athletic Assoc. play to help HC repeat ... Two-time All-CAA ... All-Coast Conference for Cabrillo in '62 ... Triple-A with Cards
Kris Sorensen	Santa Cruz ('69)	The 6-foot-6 ace RHP was 8-0 in league as a senior with a 0.49 ERA ... Pitched for San Jose State ... Threw for three seasons in the minors
Tom Urbani	Harbor ('86)	LHP had 4-year MLB career, three with Cards ... Batted higher than .400 in his final two prep seasons ... Helped Long Beach St. win Big West crown in '89
John Wilson	Santa Cruz ('82)	LHP threw a no-hitter for Cabrillo in '84 ... Went 11-0 for S.F. State in '86, was named All-American ... In SFSU hall of fame ... Briefly played in Giants' org.

### CATCHERS

Dann Bilardello	Marelo Prep ('77)	Played 8 seasons in majors with four teams ... Hit first MLB HR off of future hall of famer Tom Seaver ... A .204 lifetime hitter, Bilardello shined on "D"
Giuseppe Chiaramonte	Soquel ('94)	Earned All-American honors twice in three seasons at Fresno State ... Set FSU's career HR mark (43) ... Reached Triple-A in S.F. Giants organization
John Orton	Soquel ('84)	Cal Poly-SLO's defensive-minded hall-of-famer played for the California Angels from '89-93 ... Turned in a rare double play at third base on April 17, 1993

### INFIELDERS

Paul Bagnasco	Holy Cross ('68)	Earned all-conference twice as Cabrillo won titles in '69 and '70 ... Helped Santa Clara Univ. come within 1 win of CWS in '71 ... Batted .357 in Single-A
Aaron Bates	Soquel/Mitty (2002)	Two-time All-American is one of purest hitters in college ball ... Batted .425 for N.C. State as sophomore in '05 ... Made Cape Cod All-Star game in '05
Tom Beyers	Harbor ('76)	Hit .300 or better in each of his five seasons in the minors, including the '83 Pacific Coast League playoffs ... Got into coaching at minor-league level
Adam Carr	SLV (2002)	Two-time JC All-American ... Third-team All-American with Oklahoma State in '03 with 22-HR, 86-RBI season ... Drafted twice as a pitcher
Steve Glass	Santa Cruz ('83)	Played hot corner and short ... Second on S.F. State's career HR list (21), third in RBIs (97) and fifth in runs (111) ... Played in the Braves' farm system
Bo Hart	Soquel ('95)	A 33rd-round pick out of Gonzaga in '99, Hart made his MLB debut in '03 ... Posted 7 multi-hit games in first 10 games with Cards ... Always hustles
Casey McGehee	Soquel (2000)	Currently starting for Triple-A Iowa Cubs ... Made both the Single-A and Double-A All-Star teams ... A lifetime .345 hitter in the three years with Fresno St.
Ross Parmenter	SLV ('92)	Twice the County's Athlete of the Year ... Santa Clara Univ. SS named West Coast Conference MVP as senior in '96 ... Batted .330 in '95 and .350 in '96
John Sipin	Watsonville ('64)	Hit two triples in '69 MLB debut ... Hit .297 with 218 HRs and 625 RBIs in HOF Japanese League career ... Twice awarded 'Best Nine' honors and Gold Gloves

### OUTFIELDERS

Pat Burrell	SLV/Bellarmine ('95)	The 6-4, 225-pound slugger jumped from a 43rd round pick in '95 to No. 1 pick overall after a stellar career at Miami ... Has played six years with Philly
Joe Brovia	Santa Cruz ('40)	Not the fleetest afoot, but he didn't need to be with his monster bat ... Batted .311 with 214 HRs and 1,144 RBIs in minor league career
Tom Crichton	Santa Cruz ('68)	Batted higher than .440 both years as an upperclassmen, earning all-County honors ... Named MVP of the Double-A Eastern League
Noah Hall	Aptos ('95)	A minor-league journeyman ... Has twice made it to the Triple-A level ... In Double-A in '05 he produced -- 112 runs, 38 doubles, 26 HRs, 92 RBIs and .332 BA
Dee Herren	Santa Cruz ('70)	Won the Coast Conference title with Cabrillo in '72 with .442 BA ... Drafted but stayed in school, played for BYU ... Had good speed and a strong arm
Glenallen Hill	Santa Cruz ('83)	Hit 186 HR with 586 RBIs in 13-year MLB career ... Was key part of the Yankees' 2000 World Series title team ... Now, he's a hitting instructor in the minors
Jim Iffland	Harbor ('83)	The All-American designated hitter helped Oklahoma State reach the CWS in both '86 and '87 ... Batted .387 with 15 HR and 90 RBIs as a college senior
Darryl Ratliff	Santa Cruz ('88)	Too many power hitters at major-league level kept him from the show ... Batted .345 in Triple-A Calgary in '95, his sixth season in the Pirates' organization

**FROM TOP:** Eichhorn, Hart, Chiaramonte, Urbani, Hall, Opton, Hill

**FROM TOP:** Chiaramonte, Hill, Eichhorn, Orton, Hamm, Rust, Bilardello

— Jim Seimas