



2022 WISCONSIN BASEBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Mark Fuller, Chairman of the WBCA's Hall of Fame Committee, is pleased to announce our Class of 2022.



COACH KENT CASPER

COLEMAN HIGH SCHOOL

Kent Casper has molded the Coleman Cougars into one of the most formidable Division 3 baseball programs in Wisconsin. During his 27 years as a Head Coach the Cougars have posted a 422-147 record. Kent has also served as Coleman's Legion Coach and Babe Ruth Coach for over 20 years. Coleman has won 12 Conference Championships under Kent, as well as winning 14 Regional Championships. The Cougars have advanced to State Tournament four times during this stretch, earning a runner-up in 2021, and a State Championship in 2012.

COACH SCOTT HOLLER

OAK CREEK HIGH SCHOOL / WBCA

In 17 seasons, Scott Holler's Oak Creek Knights have accumulated a 412-130 record. A former WBCA President, Scott has been named the "WBCA Coach of the Year" two times. He is a six time "Greater Metro Coach of the Year". In 2018 he was named "ABCA Regional Coach of the Year". Five of his former players have been selected in the MLB draft. Under Scott, the Knights have won 11 Conference Championships, and made 16 Sectional appearances. Oak Creek has reached State Tournament six times during Scott's career, winning State Championships in 2005 and 2012.



COACH LANCE SCHMITZ

BARNEVELD HIGH SCHOOL

Under Lance Schmitz, Barneveld has become a perennial power in the Six Rivers East Conference. In 22 seasons the Golden Eagles have posted a 358-121 record. In a very tough conference, Barneveld has won nine Conference Championships. Schmitz's teams have won nine Regional Championships under him, and reached State Tournament three times. In 2011 Schmitz was named *Wisconsin State Journal Coach of the Year*. He has also been named the *Coach of the Year* by the Dodgeville Chronicle three times, as well as being named the *South Central District Coach of the Year* two times. He will be inducted into the Wisconsin Baseball Coaches Hall of Fame in February of 2022.



COACH MARTY PAULSEN

**FOND DU LAC HIGH SCHOOL TO BE INDUCTED INTO THE ABCA (AMERICAN BASEBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION)
HALL OF FAME THIS JANUARY IN CHICAGO**

Just the third Wis. HS Coach to be so honored
Marty Paulsen, Fond du Lac (Wis.) High School

A baseball coaching legend in the state of Wisconsin, Marty Paulsen entered his 53rd season as head coach at Fond du Lac (Wis.) High School in 2021. Since 1969, Paulsen and his Cardinals teams have won over 600 games, giving him the second-most wins all-time and among active coaches in the state of Wisconsin. He remains one of only a handful of coaches in the state to have eclipsed both the 500 and 600-win marks.

Under Paulsen, the Cardinals have appeared in the state tournament in five different decades, and, in 2000, Paulsen led Fond du Lac to a Wisconsin high school state title. His teams continue to find success in the postseason, with the Cardinals making their most recent WIAA State Tournament appearance in 2019.

Paulsen was named a 2010 ABCA/Diamond Sports Regional Coach of the Year and was honored by the Wisconsin Baseball Coaches Association (WBCA) as their Coach of the Year in 2000 and their Man of the Year in 2016.

Having been involved with the WBCA nearly since it began, Paulsen has served the association in several capacities. He currently serves as a member of the WBCA Executive Board and was inducted to the WBCA Hall of Fame in 1993. He is also a member of the Fond du Lac Athletics Hall of Fame.

He has been a featured clinician at multiple ABCA Conventions and has given clinic presentation in 12 different states, Norway and Canada.