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Dear Players, Coaches and Fans of American Legion Baseball,

Welcome to Washington, MO! Congratulations to the players and coaches in this event. Your achievements to date were no small task and we wish you the best as you compete for this year's title.

Post 218 Baseball and our volunteers couldn't be prouder to serve as your host for the 2025 Mid-South Regional Tournament. Over the past 78 seasons that American Legion Post 218 Baseball has been a part of The Washington Community, there have been few events that have rivaled the excitement that our Program has for this tournament. We look forward to introducing you to Washington, MO, to the Legacy of Post 218 Baseball and to our Region as a whole. While you are here as our guests, we hope you learn a little of what makes Washington, MO such a special place.

It is through the countless hours our volunteers have given, that this tournament is here and we are ready to share our community with you for these next few days. It is that spirit of volunteerism that brought together our Civic Leaders, our Corporate Partners, our Service Organizations, our Small Business Owners and our Private Citizens collectively to make your stay a memorable one. Our partners are here to serve as a resource to you, our guests. It is through the efforts of civic organizations like Washington Area Chamber of Commerce, Washington Tourism, Downtown Washington, Inc and Washington Parks Department that you are sitting in the stands of Ronsick Field at Rotary Sports Complex, in what we believe to be an amazing venue to host this tournament.

To our fans; sit back and relax. Take in the sights and sounds of baseball in our beloved park. Sample our restaurants, entertainment and shops in our downtown district, venture outward for a stroll along our riverfront or our many parks. Our shuttle system can also deliver you to our museum, our library, a coffee shop or book store. You name it, we can most likely help you find it. To our players and coaches; enjoy Ronsick Field and our support facilities and soak up all this week has to offer. You worked hard to get to this point in your season; absorb all you can. It is our hope that each and every one of you take home some great memories from this week and we are glad you are with us.

On behalf of our Host Committee, Welcome!

Sincerely,

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to read "Trent Hendrickson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Trent Hendrickson  
Host Committee Chairman  
2025 Mid-South Regional Tournament



Dear American Legion Baseball fans, supporters, and families,

I would like to welcome you to Washington, Missouri. Our city is honored to be hosting the Mid-South Regional American Legion Baseball Tournament this year. We are glad you are here and hope you enjoy all the fun and interesting things our city has to offer. We feel last years participants enjoyed our city immensely.

The annual Washington Town and Country Fair is the second largest in Missouri and will be in full swing when you arrive. The fair offers daily carnival rides, great food, and entertainment for all ages. ZZ Top, Vanilla Ice, Dustin Lynch with Ashley Cooke and Jackson Dean will all perform on our Main Stage on separate evenings. I know your focus will be on baseball, but you will not be disappointed if you attend our fair between games.

Welcome, and enjoy your time in Washington!

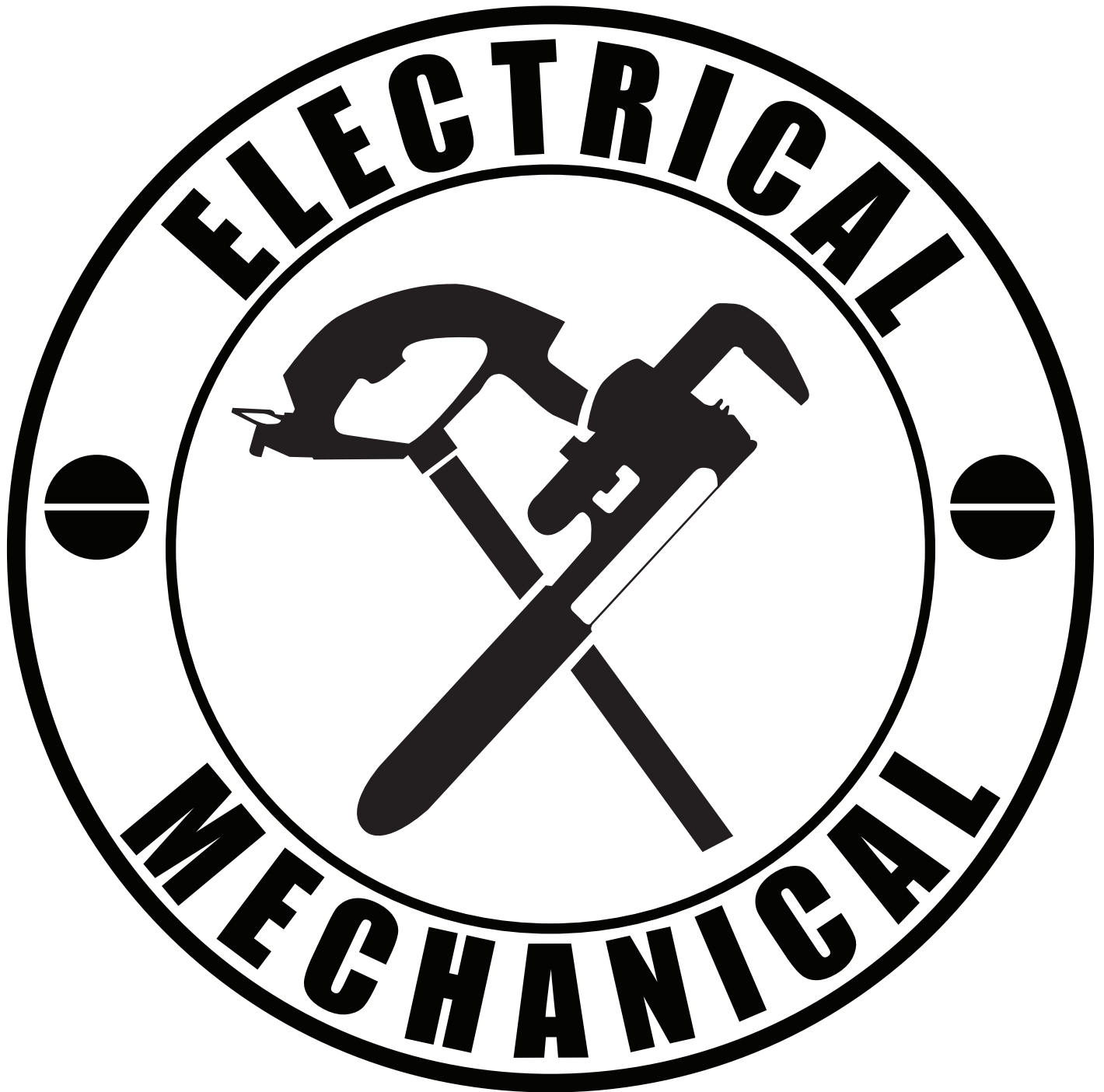
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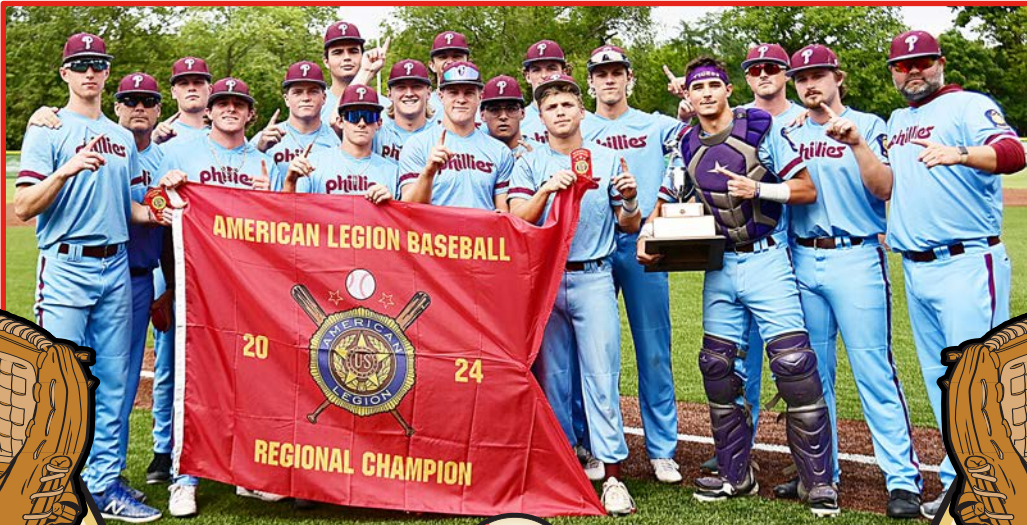
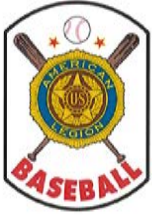


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# Memories from 2024





# The History of Post 218

While American Legion baseball has been played in Missouri since 1929, it wasn't added locally until 1947. That's when Washington American Legion Post 218 started its first team. Post 218 captured its first state title, winning the Missouri Department crown in 1957 when there was only one level. The program added its next Senior (AAA) championship in 1989.

The Golden Age for Post 218, to date, has been the 21st Century. From 2005-23, Post 218 has won three Senior state titles (2012, 2021, 2023), four Junior (AA) state titles (2005, 2015, 2016, 2022), two Junior regional titles (2005, 2016) and five Freshman (A) state crowns (2012, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2023). Additionally, the 2015 Senior team played in the Central Plains Regional, filling in for the Iowa champions. The program has drawn players from nearly every high school from a three-county area during its history. Besides the two city high schools, Washington and St. Francis Borgia, players from New Haven, Union, St. Clair, Pacific, Sullivan, Hermann, Owensville, Warrenton, Wright City and Francis Howell have played for Post 218.

The first Post 218 team called East End Diamond (now McLaughlin Field) home. Sponsored by Washington Motor Company, the team was organized by Post 218 Athletic Chairman Bernard Jett and managed by Johnny Breeden. The inaugural team dominated local competition, but lost the Ninth District title to O'Fallon in the best-of-three series, which went to the limit. Post 218 won its first state crown in 1957, going 14-3. Catcher Jim Wunderlich won the most outstanding player award in the state tournament. Traveling to Hobart, Oklahoma, the team dropped both regional games.

It was another 32 years before Post 218 struck again. The 1989 team, managed by former Post 218 and Buds player Larry Maune, won the state title at Ronsick Field with Derek Alferman being named the state tournament MVP. Post 218 went to North Platte, Nebraska, winning three games in the Central Regional. That included a 2-1 win over eventual regional winner Fargo, North Dakota, Post 2, 2-1. Maune's 13-year run as manager ended before Post 218 could win another title. But, it was time for a different level to come to the forefront.

Kent Getsee made his debut as manager of the Post 218 Freshmen, taking that team to the state tournament. In 2005, Post 218 won the Junior state title, defeating Manchester Post 208 in the winner-take-all game at the recently-renovated Ronsick Field. The tournament was played during one of the hottest stretches in this area. That was just a prelude for the Mid-States Regional in Crowley, Louisiana. The team ended 32-5, defeating the Shreveport A's in the winner-take-all game at Miller Stadium, 9-2. Patrick Byrne was the tournament's most outstanding player.

In 2012, Kevin Juergens piloted the Post 218 Freshmen (39-2) to their first state title with an 8-0 win over Ste. Genevieve Post 150 in Branson. The same year, Mike Gardner's Senior Legion team won the program's third state title, beating Creve Coeur Post 397 in Sedalia. Post 218 (39-10) lost to Retif Oil, the eventual World Series champion, in the opening round of the Mid-South Regional. In 2014, Post 218 added another Freshman title, again at Ronsick Field, with a win over Ste. Genevieve. It was the Junior Legion team's turn in 2015, when it won the state title and finished second in the regional, going 40-6. The Post 218 Seniors played in the Central Plains Regional as a replacement for Iowa after finishing as the Missouri runner-up. Post 218 defeated the host team in Bismarck, North Dakota. In 2016, the Freshmen (30-2) captured the state title by going unbeaten through the state tournament.

The Post 218 Juniors went 34-5 as Getsee guided the team to a second regional title. This time, it was the Central Plains Regional in Rapid City, South Dakota. The 2017 Post 218 Freshman team captured a title, going 26-3-2, and rallying from a 6-2 deficit to beat Festus Post 253 in Hannibal. The Post 218 Seniors (24-14) were an unlikely 2021 state champion, but the team caught fire at the right time and ended up winning two games at the Mid-South Regional in Hastings, Nebraska.

In 2022, the Post 218 Juniors (30-6) defeated rival Elsberry Post 226 Red for the state title. The teams played 10 times that season with Washington winning six times. In the most recent campaign, Post 218 won two more state titles with one runner-up team and a fifth-place finisher. The program fielded four teams with two at the Freshman level. The Freshman Red (25-4) went undefeated at the state tournament in Jackson, beating the host Post 158 Tribe, 6-4, for the crown. The Post 218 Seniors under Getsee went 38-3, winning the state title over Festus Post 253. at the Mid-South Regional in Pelham, Alabama, Post 218 won twice by shutouts, but a pair of losses to Arkansas champoin Paragould Post 17 ended the run.

~Bill Battle



# *Honoring Our History*

## Washington, Missouri Post 218



### Post 218 1957 AAA Missouri State Champions

**Standing (L-R):** Henry Voss, Tom McDonald, Tom Buhr, Ed Hambach, Clifford Aitch, Tom Dill, Kenny Dyson, Jerry Wehmueller, Denny Marquart, Clifford Jett, Jerry Luecke, Ed Vetter

**Kneeling Middle Row (L-R):** Herb Dill, Bill Coons, Jim Coons, Jim Voss, Bob Dieckhaus, Jim Wunderlich

**Bat Boy Seated:** George Coons



### Post 218 1989 AAA Missouri State Champions

**Front Row Kneeling (L-R):** John W. Nowak, Aaron W. Marquart, John J. Roderique, Kurt A. Skornia, Robert L. Struckhoff, Derek T. Alferman, Martin R. Eckhoff, Kurt A. Speckhals

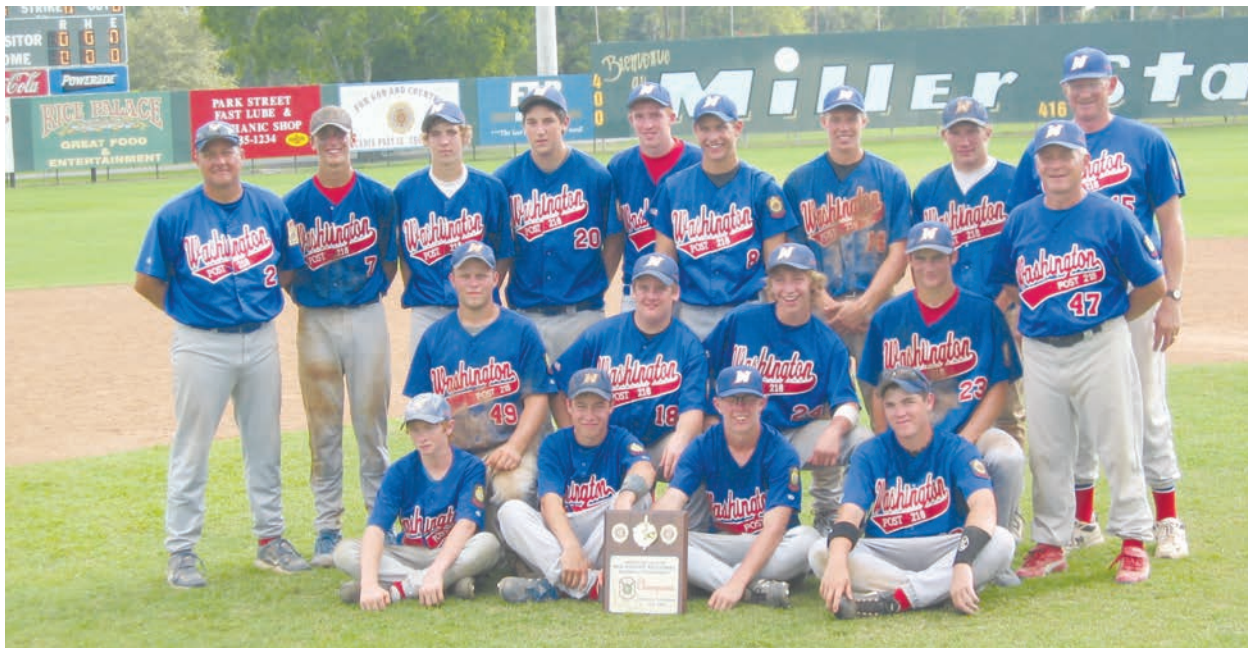
**Back Row Standing (L-R):** Leroy H. Eggert (Coach), Dale J. Gildehaus (Coach), Kyle D. Scheer, Mark A. Speckhals, Brent M. Eastwood, Chris D. Gidehaus, Thomas M. Bruns, Larry R. Maune (Manager)

**Not Pictured:** Charles H. Struckhoff



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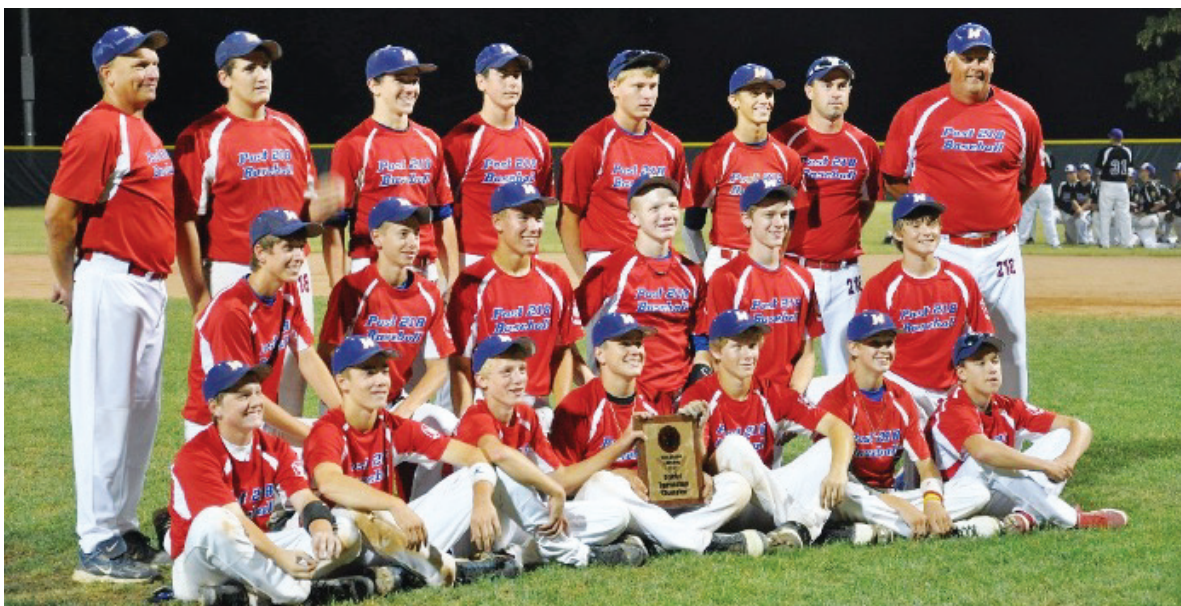


### 2005 AA State & Regional Champions, Record 32-5

**Back Row (L-R):** Kent Getsee (Manager) Zack Getsee, Danny Taylor, Patrick Byrne, John Bowen Robert Dunning, Ethan Kleekamp, Jesse Morris, Ted Watkins (Coach), Moe Locher (Coach)

**Middle Row (L-R):** Sam Kleeberger, David Sumner, Teddy Watkins, Mark Locher, Ted Watkins (Coach)

**Bottom Row Seated (L-R):** Adam Nacy, Joe Huber, Bruce Backhaus, Jake Motta



### 2012 A State Champions, Record 39-2

**Back Row (L-R):** Coach Darrell Hasenjaeger, Nick Thiel, Micah McNeal, Spencer Juergens, Shawn Mittler, John Himmelberg, Coach Jordan Bierbaum, and Manager Kevin Juergens

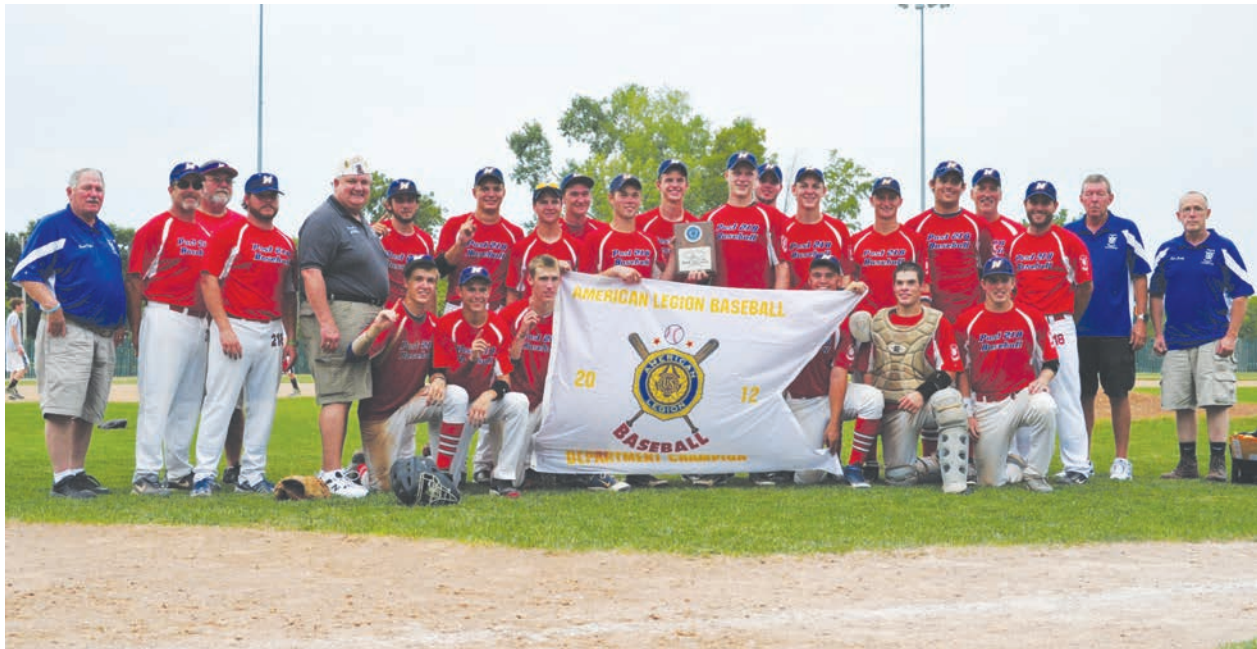
**Middle Row (L-R):** Matt Miller, Todd Feldmann, Logan Holdmeyer, Nate Hillermann, Evan Ayers, Max Diener

**Front Row (L-R):** Ryan Becszilko, Seth Bollmann, Eric Hasenjaeger, Justin Baylard, Austin Finder, Gus Kleekamp, Halmich



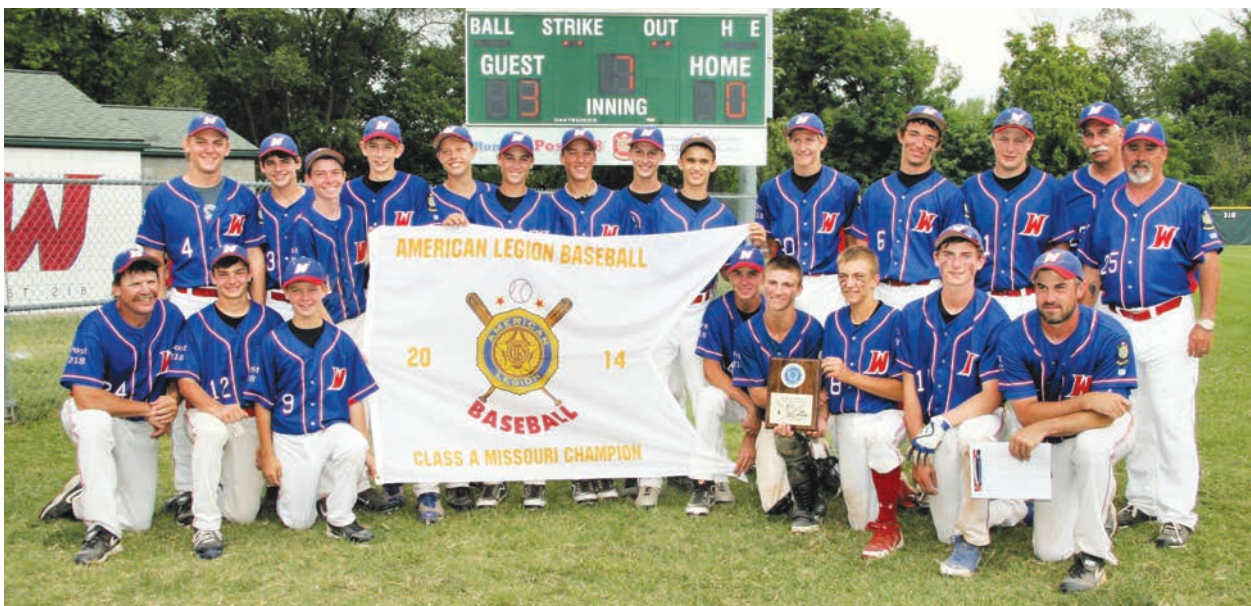
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### 2012 AAA State Champions

**Back Row (L-R):** Grant Eckelkamp, Tony Helfrich, Andrew Sumner, Noah Borgerding, Dilan Bollmann, Brendan Kleekamp, Brendan Feldmann, David McNeal, Jack Kopmann, Luke Hasenjaeger, Cody Gardner  
**Front Row (L-R):** Sam Deschenes, Dustin Howard, Trent Leimkuehler, Zach Pointer, Matt Jones, Mike McGilvray



### 2014 A State Champions

**Back Row (L-R):** Jack Kopmann (Coach), Zach Stahlman, Nathan Breckenkamp, Eli Marquart, Logan Gratza, Matt Piontek, Jack Piontek, Zack Finley, Ryan McDermott, Jacob Unnerstall, Zack Machelett, Tyler Patton, Phil Mallickrodt (Coach), Scott Forrester (Manager)  
**Front Row (L-R):** Coach Joe Kopmann, Jeff Peters, Michael McElwain, Drew Piontek, Teddy Meyer, Tommy Ruether, Quinton Poepsel, Coach Jordan Bierbaum



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### 2015 AA State Champions & Regional Runner-up, Team Record 40-6

**Back Row (L-R):** Eli Marquart, Adam Gauzy, Ryan Lohrer, Matt Piontek, Tommy Ruether, Nathan Breckenkamp, Zach Stahlman, Zach Finley, Quinton Poepsel, Gus Kleekamp, Brendan Kleekamp, Brendan Feldmann, David McNeal, Jack Kopmann, Luke Hasenjaeger, Cody Gardner  
**Front Row (L-R):** Front Row: Phillip Kleekamp & Jack (Coaches), Kent Getsee (Manager), Adam Kleekamp, Teddy Meyer, Jacob Unnerstall, Rick Aholt (Coach), Drew Piontek, Sam Fuchs, Jace Backs, Eric Voelkerding (Coach), Todd Kleekamp (Coach)



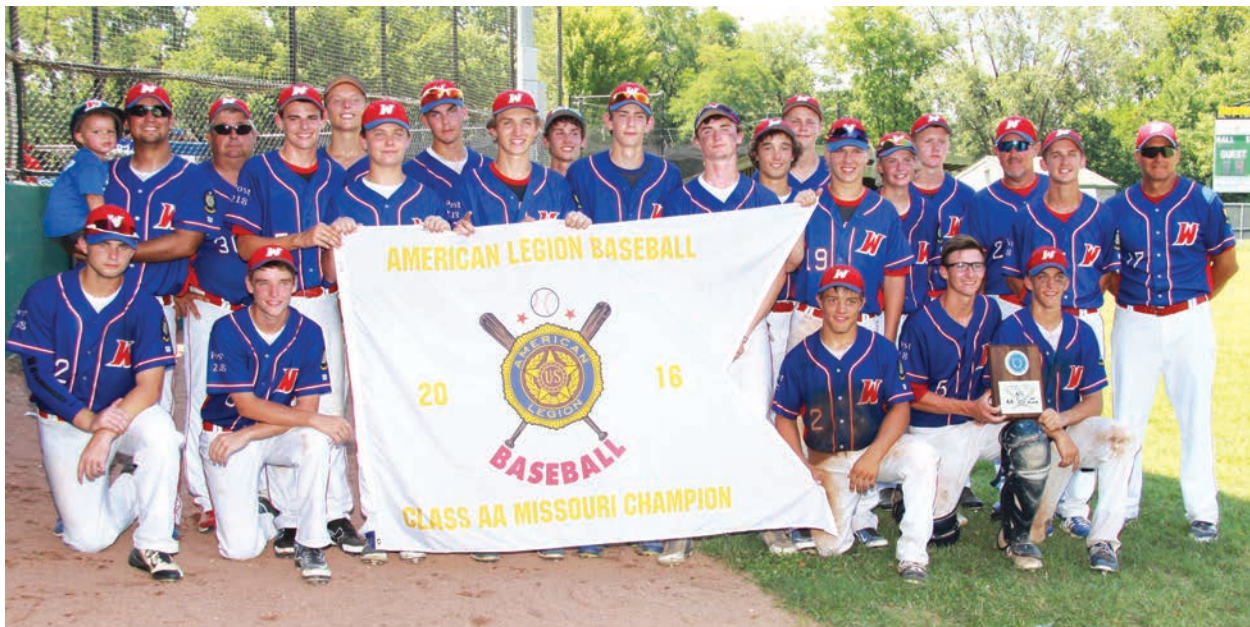
### 2016 A State Champions, Team Record 30-2

**3rd Row (L-R):** Gary Stone, Cole Boland, Evan Holdmeyer, Coach Chris Molitor, Nicholas Helfrich, Adam Molitor, Leighton Schroeter, Spencer Hunter, Coach Phil Mallinckrodt  
**2nd Row (L-R):** 2nd row, Manager Joe Kopmann, Garrick Ogle, Ethan Hillermann, Bryce Mayer, Bryce DeCoster, Matthew Howell, Rett Corley, Matthew Sinnott, Ryan Glatz, Coach Jack Kopmann, Coach Mike Hunter, American Legion Rep.  
**1st Row Kneeling (L-R):** Tyler Glosemeyer, Joe Hackmann, Max Bowen



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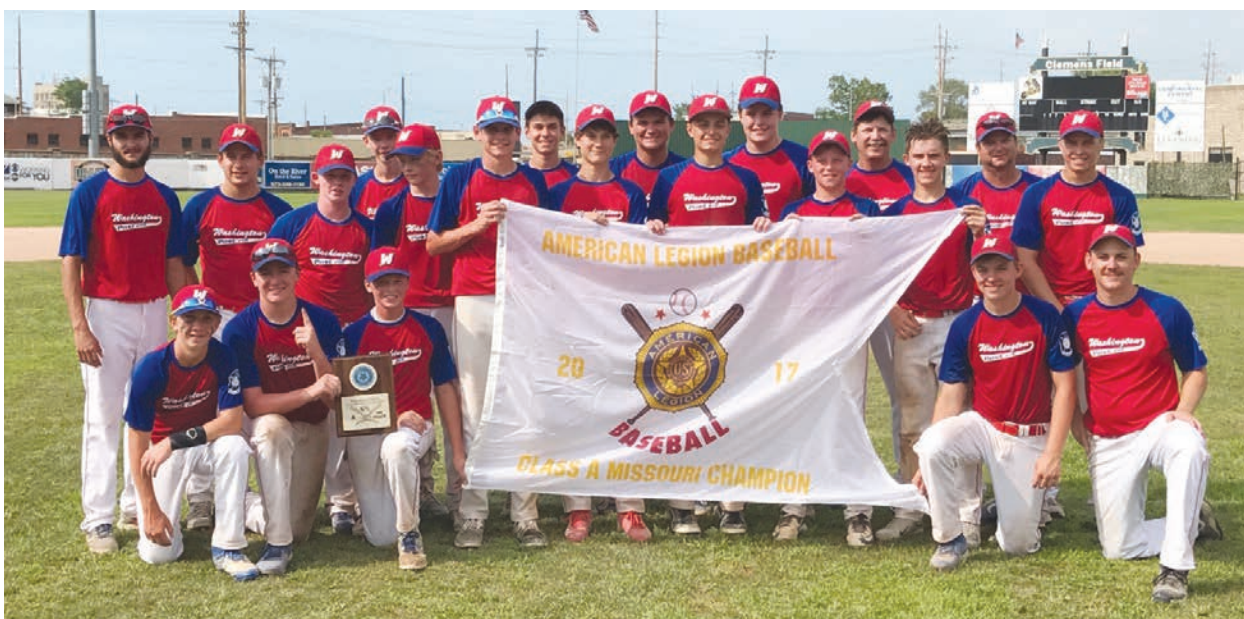
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### 2016 AA Mid States Regional & State Champions, Team Record 34-5

**Standing (L-R):** Good luck charm/Coach Jack & Phillip Kleekamp, Coach Rick Aholt, Zach Stahlman, Logan Gratza, Michael McElwain, Hunter Mehler, Caleb Cook, Josh Hendrickson, Eli Marquart, Quinton Poepsel, Kaden Bollmann, Brandon Repp, Chris Broeder, Jake Jinkerson, Ryan Sauvage, Eric Voelkerding (Coach), Todd Kleekamp (Coach), Kent Getsee (Manager)

**Kneeling (L-R):** Spencer Hunter, Ben Maune, Justin Heggemann, Teddy Meyer, Tommy Ruether



### 2017 A State Champions, Record 26-3-2

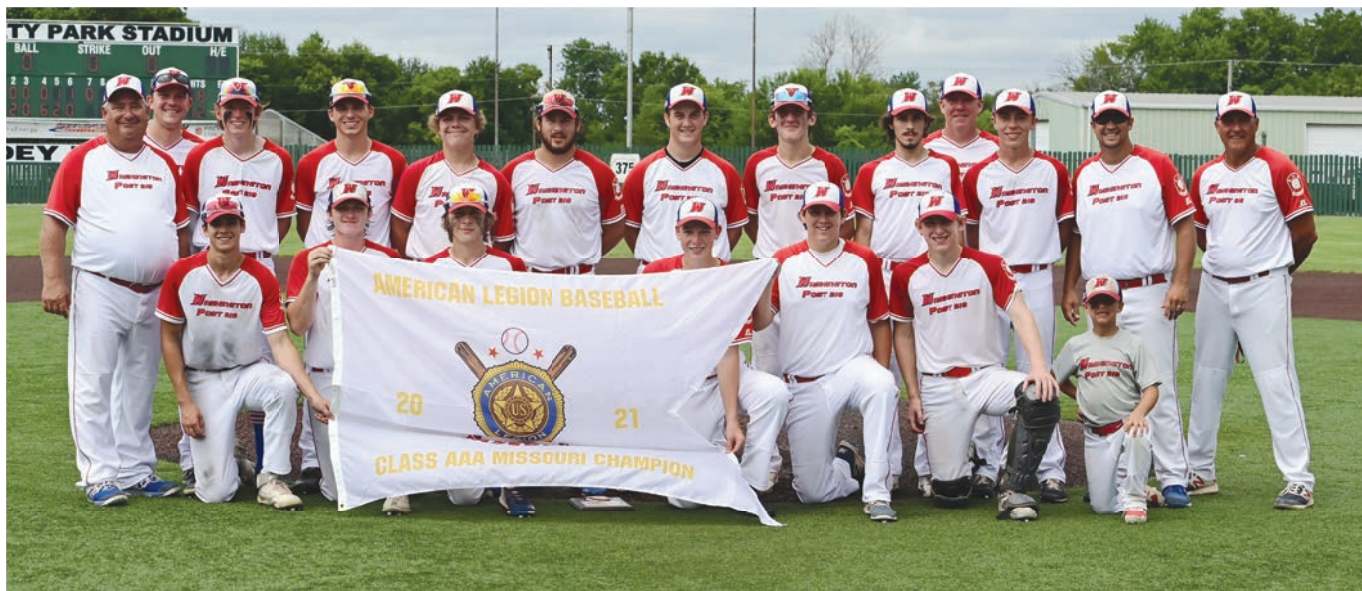
**Standing (L-R):** Justin Schuler (Coach), Louis Paule, Evan Comely, Jared Schrader, Drew Holtmeyer, Brandon Stahlman, Luke Hendrickson, Eli Humphreys, Wil Heggemann, Levi Weber, John Volmert, Brayden Mayer, Manager Joe Kopmann, Jack Czeschin, Bryan Seitter, Cody Linders

**Kneeling (L-R):** Josh Garbs, Joe Hackmann, Bryce Mayer, Nick Hellmann, Jack Kopmann (Coach)



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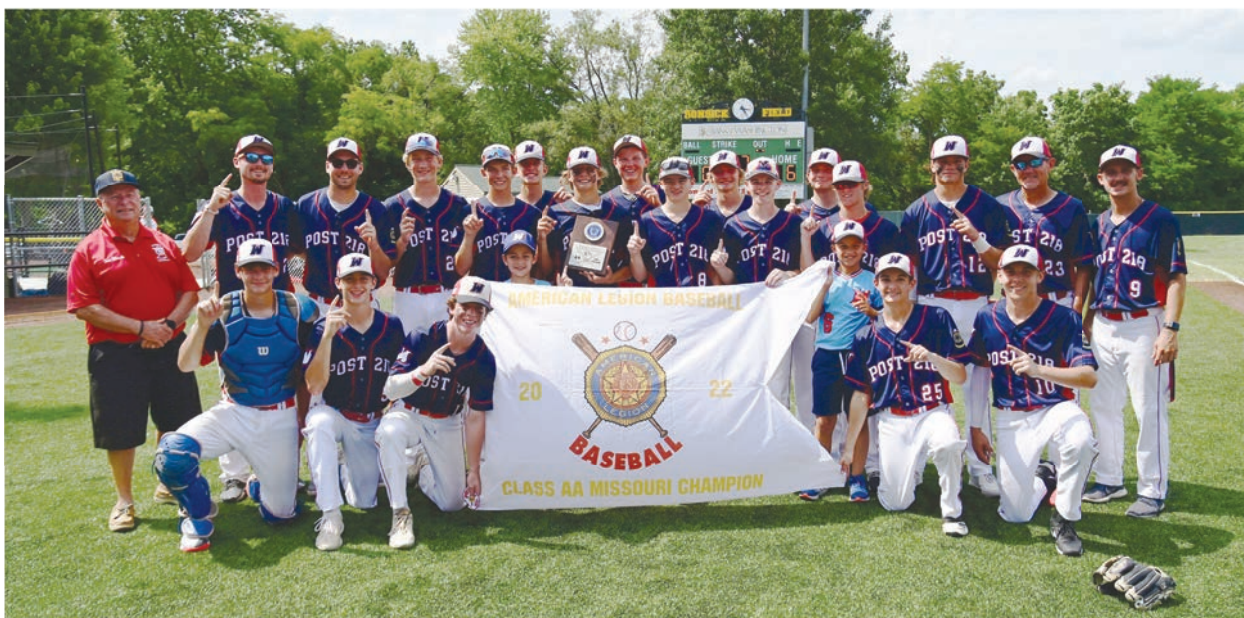
## Washington, Missouri Post 218



### 2021 AAA State Champions, Team Record 24-14

**Standing (L-R):** Rick Aholt (Coach), Mic Fox (Coach), Jarrett Hamlett, Zac Coulter, Calvin Straatmann, Louis Paule, Morgan Copeland, Sam Paule, Logan Dieckman, Coach Martin Eckhoff, Dane Eckhoff, Phillip Kleekamp (Coach) Kent Getsee (Manager) NOT PICTURED Ethan Mort

**Kneeling (L-R):** Sam Turilli, Gavin Matchell, Blake Whitlock, Ethan Etter, Jacob Baldwin, Cody Vondera, Good Luck Charm Jack Kleekamp



### 2022 AA State Champions, Record 30-6

**Standing (L-R):** State Chairman Tom Rhoads, Quinton Poepsel (Coach), Danny Taylor (Coach), Reagan Kandlbinder, Noah Wilson, Kaden Patke, Grant Trentmann, Lane Roettering, Jack Dunard, Justin Mort, Sam Strubberg, Ethan Holland, Ryan Williams, Kabren Koelling, Eric Voelkerding (Coach), Todd Kleekamp (Manager)

**Middle Row Bat Boys (L-R):** Jase Taylor, Jack Kleekamp

**Kneeling (L-R):** Noah Hendrickson, Wil Hoer, Tyler Kromer, Cohen Jasper, Drew Eckhoff



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### 2023 A State Champions, Team Record 23-4

**Standing (L-R):** Bryan Seitter, Jack Kopmann, Ben Gelinas, Andrew Elbert, Colton Warnecke, Lane Mallinckrodt, Jacob Schroeder, Ben Nieder, Josh Koirtz, Nakai Scott, Will Weber, Joe Downey, Jay Schroeder, Max Borgerding, Phil Mallinckrodt, Henry Zeitzmann.

**Kneeling (L-R):** Joe Kopmann, AJ Buehrlen, Ray Downey



### 2023 AAA State Champions, Record 38-3

**Standing (L-R):** Scott Dye Zone 2 Chairman, Kent Getsee (Manager), Mic Fox (Coach), Peyton Straatmann, Martin Eckhoff (Coach), Justin Mort, Kannon Hibbs, Karson Eads, Sam Paule, Anthony Broeker, Drew Eckhoff, Ryan Williams, Mike Straatmann (Coach), Drew Wheatly Zone 4 Chairman, Rick Aholt Coach, Tom Rhoads State Chairman.

**Middle Row Bat Boys (L-R):** Jase Taylor, Jack Kleekamp

**Kneeling (L-R):** Gavin Matchell, Aden Pecka, Will Mentz, Kabren Koelling, Jacob Weidle, Tanner McPherson, Reagan Kandlbinder, Kaden Patke, Ryan Weidle, Noah Hendrickson



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August 2025

Dear American Legion Baseball fans:

Bowie Kuhn, the late Major League Baseball commissioner, once said that American Legion Baseball players learn “not only the skills of baseball but the valuable lessons of sportsmanship, self-discipline, teamwork, courage and integrity.”

These are skills and traits that not only manifest baseball diamonds across the country, but they benefit communities, campuses, boardrooms, organizations and businesses everywhere.

The young athletes that we are privileged to watch compete in our regional tournaments and American Legion World Series represent the best of the best. Not only is their talent supreme but their character contributes to team success.

The purpose of American Legion Baseball is not to provide a training ground for the major leagues, but to fulfill program founder John Griffith’s vision of creating a physically fit generation, who “will be better citizens.”

It is no coincidence, however, that many American Legion Baseball alumni also excel at the professional level, with 89 being inducted to our national pastime’s Hall of Fame. This year is a milestone for American Legion Baseball, a program that has now been in existence for exactly one hundred years. Not only does this translate into a century of baseball excellence, but also a century of outstanding citizenship.

Only one team will get to win The American Legion World Series in 2025. As far as I am concerned, all of these athletes are champion citizens.

For God and Country,

James A. LaCoursiere, Jr.  
National Commander



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August 2025

Dear Players, Coaches, Families, and Fans,

On behalf of The American Legion's Americanism Commission, it is my distinct honor and privilege to welcome you to the American Legion World Series during this historic 100th season of American Legion Baseball.

For a full century, American Legion Baseball has been more than just a game—it has been a proving ground for character, leadership, and citizenship. While many of our alumni have gone on to play collegiate and professional baseball—including 89 Hall of Famers—our true success lies in the thousands of young men who have become leaders in their communities, classrooms, and careers.

As we gather in Shelby to celebrate this momentous season, let us remember the core values that make this program so special: sportsmanship, teamwork, dedication, and 100% Americanism. These are the traits that have shaped this program since its founding in 1925, and they continue to be instilled in every player who wears the American Legion Baseball patch.

Whether you're on the field or cheering from the stands, this tournament is a celebration of the players' hard work, the unwavering support of families and communities, and the countless volunteers and Legionnaires who make it all possible.

Thank you for being part of this century-long tradition of excellence. Enjoy the competition, the camaraderie, and the spirit of American Legion Baseball.

Sincerely,

**MARK A. AVIS**

Chairman, Americanism Commission  
The American Legion



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#5 Josh Koirtyohann  
#6 Ben Nieder  
#7 Lane Mallinckrodt  
#8 Colton Warneke  
#9 Dylan Hanneken  
#10 Drew Eckhoff  
#11 Braxtyn Frankenberg  
#13 Lucas Howell  
#14 Colton Carrier  
#15 Andrew Elbert  
#17 Drew Buehler  
#18 Kaleb Hoss  
#19 Lane Kohlbusch  
#21 Charlie Gildehaus  
#22 Ben Gelinas  
#25 Brody O'Hanlon  
#32 Nakai Scott

Manager: Kent Getsee #70  
Coach: Martin Eckhoff #10  
Coach: Scotty Byrne #22  
Coach: Mic Fox #1  
Coach: Dane Eckhoff #3

#1 Xander McCandlis	#12 Cash Arnhart
#3 Owen Hyslip	#14 Peyton Bodenhamer
#4 Finley Chafin	#17 Owen Guffey
#5 Jackson Corp	#19 Nate Henderson
#6 Hayden Hyslip	#22 Ryder McClain
#7 Jonothan Corbett	#23 Rhett King
#8 Lincoln Sherry	#24 Trenton Chism
#9 Aidan Schrable	#25 Ian Ellison
#11 Ethan Light	#30 Mason Sinclair

# ARKANSAS

Coach: Lester White #27  
Assistant: Marty Ninemire #29  
Assistant: Brody Ninemire #28

**ALLEY WHITE  
POST 52**

# LOUISIANA

**BOSSIER  
POST 202**

- #1 Cole Snell
- #2 Abel Thetford
- #3 Dillon Braxton
- #4 Brock Laird
- #5 Kade Bryant
- #6 Case Jorden
- #7 Thomas Allen
- #8 Hudson Brignac
- #9 Jackson Jones
- #11 Easton Sanders
- #12 Kam Wrightner
- #13 Britain Pipes
- #15 Gavin Brint
- #16 Jax Prewitt
- #19 Griffin Sibley
- #20 Brody Bower
- #21 Ty Boozer
- #27 Tanner Webb

Coach: Dane Peavy  
 Coach: Tony Sanders  
 Coach: Jonathan Boucher  
 Coach: Seth Bearden  
 Coach: Jonathan Orr



- #4 Benjamin James Major
- #7 Kaden Lee Blackledge
- #9 Gabriel Francis Brown
- #10 Donovan Jace Midgett
- #12 Indica Theron Holloway
- #13 Kegan Joseph Bates
- #19 Quinten D Fears
- #20 Grant Thomas Nickle
- #21 Carsen David Nickelson
- #25 Sylar Joshua Sammons
- #27 Mason Cole Morris
- #28 Kamden Alan Good

- #30 Spencer James Wade
- #32 Jonah Paul Sparks
- #41 Jett Anthony Burgess
- #55 Jayden Donald Brown
- #58 Brady R Sloan

Head Coach: Tyler Brynds  
 1B Coach: Chase VanBecelaere  
 Assistant: Zach Vance  
 Assistant: Shane Wade

# KANSAS PITTSBURGH POST 64



# MISSOURI

## MOBERLY POST 6

- #1 Ashton Hunt
- #2 Clayton Messer
- #3 Cooper Harvey
- #4 Cooper Gehring
- #5 Logan Easley
- #6 Nolan Samuel
- #7 Cade Bohm
- #8 Jackson Engel
- #9 Preston Burns
- #10 Luke Ensor
- #11 Mitchell Bruce
- #12 Carson Fletcher
- #13 Luke Waltemate
- #14 Grady Bohm
- #15 Drew Smothers
- #18 Anthony Ford
- #23 Carson Erwin

Head Coach: Drew Hunt  
Assistant Coach: Mark Harvey  
Assistant Coach: Jackson Truesdell

# OKLAHOMA

## ADA POST 72

- |    |                |     |                  |
|----|----------------|-----|------------------|
| #1 | Jett Higdon    | #9  | Brian Keeling    |
| #2 | Lane McCarter  | #10 | Landon Langley   |
| #3 | Mikha Edwards  | #10 | Paul Villegas    |
| #4 | Davin Weller   | #11 | Dexter Cometti   |
| #5 | Jaxson Scott   | #12 | Garrett Wafford  |
| #6 | Kendon Wood    | #14 | Cody Cook        |
| #7 | Reygan Kuhlman | #14 | Easton Wilkinson |
| #8 | Landon Bowlin  |     |                  |

Coach: Darrell Monroe  
Assistant Coach: Landon Lord



# MISSISSIPPI

## PONTOTOC POST 16



- #1 Riley Caygle
- #2 Rob Hancock
- #3 Malachi Witcher
- #5 Parker Skinner
- #6 Will Caviness
- #7 Jack Cummings
- #8 Steele Brooks
- #11 Adam Smith
- #12 Cason Moss
- #14 Tyler Richardson
- #15 Benton Burks
- #18 Takoda Harrell
- #21 Jackson Harmon
- #25 Brady White
- #27 Braxton Whiteside
- #42 Jon Grey Morrisson

Manager: Scott Cummings  
Assistant Coach: Jonathan Weeks

Head Coach: Scott Beasley  
Asst Coach: Jayron Morris  
Asst Coach: Bobby Nichols

- #1 Caden Peacock
- #2 JD McCurry
- #3 Cody Underwood

- #5 Kasen Smith
- #7 Nick Johnson
- #9 Matthew Thomas
- #10 Tyler Baxter
- #11 Andrew Fulmer
- #17 Caden Duggin
- #18 Daniel Isbell
- #19 Baylan Tuten

- #22 Carston Williams
- #24 Isaiah Bentley
- #30 Josiah Cullins

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# 2025 American Legion Baseball Mid-South Regional Tournament

**Stadium – Ronsick Field @ Rotary Sports Complex**  
**Host – Washington Post 218**  
**Local Chairman – Trent Hendrickson**  
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<u>Game</u>	<u>Date/Pairings</u>	<u>Time</u>
<b>Wednesday - August 6</b>		
Game 1	AR Champ vs. TN Champ	9:30 a.m.
Game 2	MS Champ vs. LA Champ	Doubleheader
Game 3	OK Champ vs. MO Champ	3:00 p.m.
Game 4	KS Champ vs. Host Team	7:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday - August 7</b>		
Game 5	Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 3	9:30 a.m.
Game 6	Loser Game 2 vs. Loser Game 4	Doubleheader
Game 7	Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 3	3:00 p.m.
Game 8	Winner Game 2 vs. Winner Game 4	Doubleheader
<b>Friday - August 8</b>		
Game 9	Winner Game 6 vs. Loser Game 7	9:30 a.m.
Game 10	Winner Game 5 vs. Loser Game 8	Doubleheader
Game 11	Winner Game 7 vs. Winner Game 8	3:00 p.m.
<b>Saturday - August 9</b>		
Game 12	Winner Game 9 vs. Loser Game 11 (See Note 1 below)	9:30 a.m.
Game 13	Winner Game 10 vs. Winner Game 11 (See Note 1 below)	Doubleheader
<b>Sunday - August 10</b>		
Game 14	Winner Game 12 vs. Winner Game 13 (See Note 2 below)	11:00 a.m.
Game 15	(If necessary) Fifteen games will be needed if Winner Game 11 loses Game 13 or Winner Game 12 wins Game 14	2:00 p.m.

[www.legion.org/baseball](http://www.legion.org/baseball)

Note 1: Pairings for Game 12 & 13 will not match previous opponents against each other unless absolutely necessary. (Tournament Director has further instructions).

Note 2: If three teams remain after Game 13, the winner of Game 11 automatically draws the Bye for Game 14.

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# The History of Ronsick Field

**M**aking history. Or, rather, continuing history. That's what the 2024 Mid-States Regional is doing at Rotary Recreational Complex - Ronsick Field. From Cy Young to Satchel Paige, Ronsick Field has hosted some of the game's greatest players during its history stretching back to 1872, when a grandstand was built there, according to the Washington Historical Society. City Park Field hosted baseball games dating back to that time.

The 1875 Washington Eagles were declared "champion of the base ball world" after winning its league, beating Jefferson City and Sedalia for the Silver Ball. In 1899, Ronsick Field was the likely site of an exhibition game with the St. Louis Perfectos, formerly the St. Louis Browns and the future St. Louis Cardinals. After being sold to the Robison brothers, the April 1, 1899 game marked one of the first under new ownership, which rebranded the team in red and moved its best players from Cleveland, including Hall of Famers Cy Young, Jesse Burkett and Bobby Wallace.

Over the years, the field hosted many baseball games, from the vastly popular Washington Buds adult team to youth contests. Teams with colorful names such as the "Plowhandles" and "Stubble Stompers," American and Nationals played locally and Ronsick Field hosted large crowds for Sunday town games. The Washington Cobras were a "colored" team which played locally following World War II. Barnstorming teams, featuring players such as Satchel Paige, also visited.

"The Buds were a big part of the community," Larry Maune, who played for the Buds and Post 218 and managed both teams. "We always had large crowds at our games," he said. "I remember one year we played the Kansas City Monarchs, who were managed by Buck O'Neil, and we beat them. I met Buck O'Neil at a Legion tournament a few years ago and he remembered us beating him. I was just amazed that a man reaching 90 who has traveled all over the country remembered that game. What a charming man."

Washington Post 218 started its baseball program in 1947, playing at another diamond in town. The program moved to Ronsick Field, where it continued to field competitive teams. Entering 2024, the Post 218 Seniors (AAA) have won five state titles. The Juniors (AA) have captured four state and two regional crowns. The Freshmen (A) have won five Missouri titles. The Buds, started in 1955, became very popular as Washington's town team, Ronsick Field also hosted charity games hosted by Major League Baseball pitcher Morris "Lefty" Martin, who brought in many of his professional baseball friends to play in these annual events.

With Post 218 as well as Washington and St. Francis Borgia's high school teams playing there, the field was formally named for Edwin Ronsick, longtime parks superintendent and sports enthusiast Feb. 6, 1983. Ronsick Field has hosted the Washington Youth Sports Association, Crosspoint Christian School baseball, East Central College baseball, Washington Junior Football League and even the Missouri Vintage Base Ball Championships. In 2005, the field received a massive upgrade with the building of the current grandstand and concession/restrooms/announcers' booth building. The project cost \$479,494 with the Washington Rotary Club contributing \$100,000. At its peak, Ronsick Field hosted over 150 games annually, according to Washington Post 218 Manager Kent Getsee.

In 2020, Washington Post 218 hosted a COVID League, which was the only sports league taking place locally. Teams from as far away as Illinois came to Ronsick Field to play. The next upgrade, funded by a half-cent capital improvement sales tax, was putting in the turf infield and improvements to the bullpens, safety issues and outfield irrigation. The project was projected at \$370,000. The tax bill was passed in 2018 and the turf was put into place for the 2022 season. The next step was bringing this Mid-South Regional to Washington, adding to Ronsick Field's storied history.



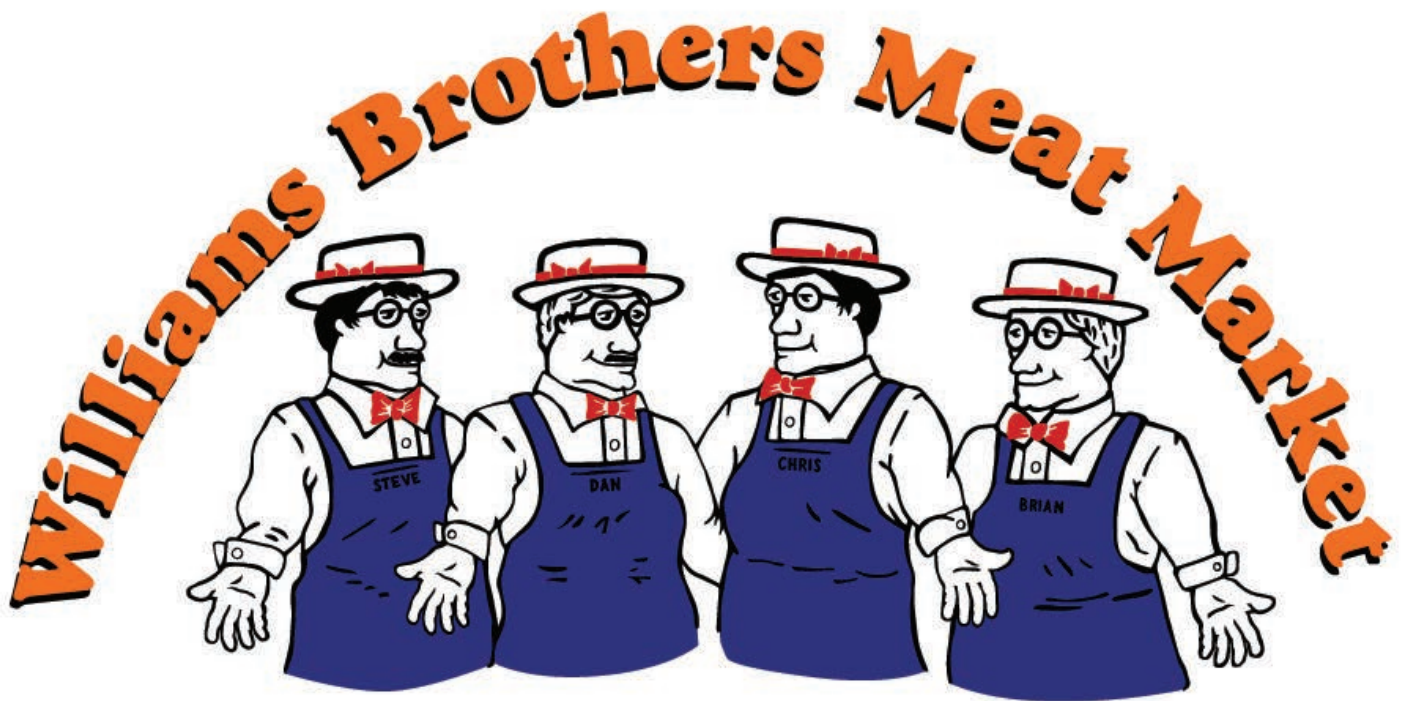




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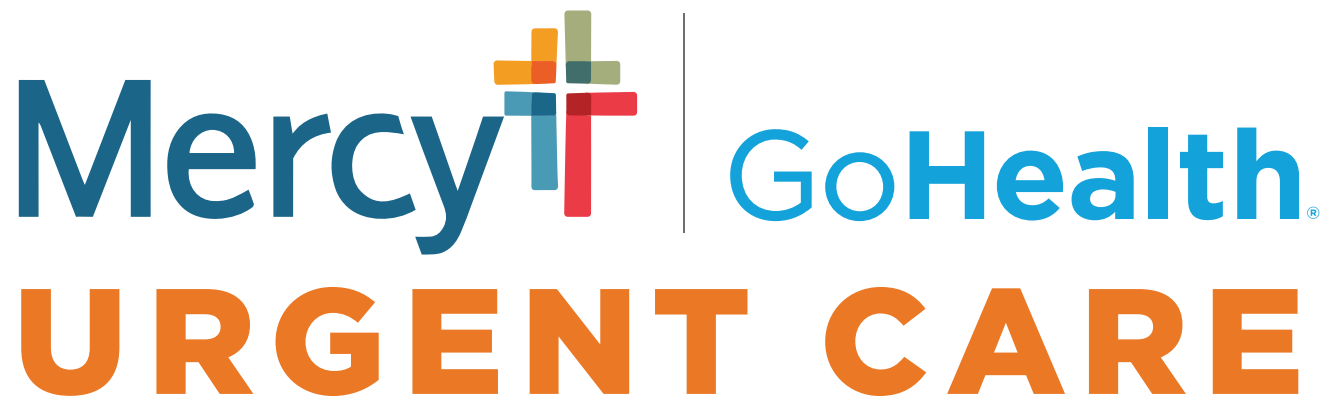


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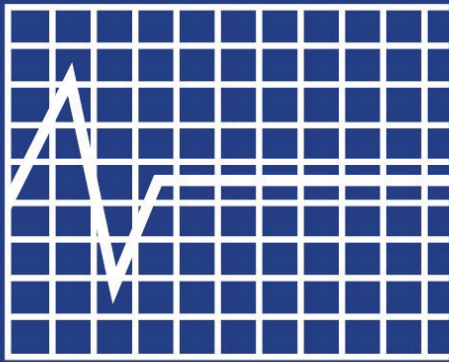
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