



BASEBALL FACTORY SPRING TRAINING IN ARIZONA

Gene Autry Sports Complex

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STAFF BIOS

Tasha Anderson: Certified Athletic Trainer.

Mike Baker: Mike has over 20 years of experience as a scout and coach in professional baseball, has coached with Netherlands National Team 1992 thru 1996 winning 2 European Championships and coaching in 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta, has coached with 1993 Albany Polecats (Orioles) and 1999 Staten Island Yankees (NYY). 20 years scouting internationally and in the southwest for the Rangers, Orioles, Yankees and Mets. Mike is currently Director of Operations for Total Game Baseball and owner of Lion Heart Medical.

Jason Bedrosian: After his playing career as a pitcher at Chico State, Jason became an assistant pitching coach for his alma mater and helped them to a DII National Championship in 1998. Jason went on to coach high school ball, first at Durham HS in Northern CA and then onto his current position where he is a teacher, Strength Coach, and JV Coach at Capistrano Valley High School.

Brian Betancourth: Brian currently serves as a hitting coach in the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim organization. Prior to that, he was in the Colorado Rockies organization. He spent this past summer with their affiliate in Modesto. He played his college baseball at Mount San Jacinto Junior College in Southern California. After his collegiate career, Brian went on to play for the Long Beach Armada in the Golden Baseball League, an independent professional league on the West Coast.

Dean Espy: Dean played his college baseball at South Mountain Community College and UCLA. While at SMCC, he carried a .331 batting average with 12 home runs. At UCLA he was primarily the team's 1B and designated hitter. He was drafted in the 15th round in the 2011 MLB Amateur Draft by the Kansas City Royals. He is currently in the minor league system with the Kansas City Royals.

Jimmy Johnson: Jimmy brings over 40 years of professional baseball experience to the Baseball Factory. He managed professionally from Class A – AAA with the Colorado Rockies. He was also the infield, hitting, and field coordinator for the Rockies. He is the current hitting coordinator with the Colorado Rockies and also does professional hitting and defensive lessons in the Phoenix area. He played professionally for seven seasons with the Houston Astros and has coached the Senior National Team in Prague.

Josh Kroeger: Josh was drafted out of high school in the 4th round by the Arizona Diamondbacks of the 2000 MLB Amateur draft. Made his Major League debut on Sept. 2, 2004. Played for the Leones del Caracas in the Venezuelan Winter Leagues. Was a member of gold medal-winning Team USA at the IBAF Baseball World Cup prior to the 2004 season. Played for Scottsdale in the Arizona Fall League following the 2003 season. Josh also played for the Philadelphia Phillies, Chicago Cubs, Chicago White Sox, Florida Marlins, Boston Red Sox, and Atlanta Braves.

Kevin Riggs: Kevin is the current minor league hitting coach for the Asheville Tourists in the Colorado Rockies organization. As a player, he was a minor league prospect with the Cincinnati Reds, Milwaukee Brewers, New York Yankees, and the Cleveland Indians. During his minor league career, Kevin was selected to the All-Star Team four times, was among the top 10 Batting Leaders three times and was the Norwich Navigators M.V.P & Offensive Player of the Year in 1996. Kevin was also a standout college player at East Carolina University.

Justin Roswell: Justin joined the Baseball Factory in 2001 serving in the scouting, event coordination, and player development departments. In 2007, he became the Director for Team One Baseball, which is the showcase division of Baseball Factory. As Senior Director he heads up the player identification process for all Team One Regional Showcases. Justin also manages the day-to-day operations of Team One including the website. In addition to directing Team One Baseball, Justin also heads up the Under Armour Tournament Division. Justin graduated from California State University - Fullerton, where he received his degree in Business Administration, with an emphasis on management.

Darryl Scott: Darryl is currently the pitching coach for the Tulsa Drillers, the Double-A affiliate for the Colorado Rockies. Prior to that he was the pitching coach for the Modesto Nuts, the Single-A Affiliate for the Colorado Rockies. He is a former Major League pitcher, reaching the big leagues in 1993 with the California Angels. He also pitched in the Rockies, Indians, Phillies and Diamondbacks organizations. Darryl played his college ball at Loyola Marymount University.

Chris Yetter: Chris played four years of college baseball at Division-I UMBC, where he was a pitcher and All-Conference outfielder. He then spent four years as a pitching and hitting coach at CCBC Catonsville. Last year Yetter relocated to California from Maryland after working at Baseball Factory/Factory Development Institute headquarters where provided pitching and hitting instruction for 8 years. Yetter is currently a middle school science teacher in Pleasanton, CA.

Ernie Young: Ernie is a former professional baseball outfielder. He played all or part of eight seasons in Major League Baseball for the Oakland Athletics (1994-97), Kansas City Royals (1998), Arizona Diamondbacks (1999), Detroit Tigers (2003), and Cleveland Indians (2004). He also played one season in Japan for the Yokohama BayStars (2002). Following his retirement after the 2007 season, Young became the hitting coach on the Chicago White Sox's rookie-level team, the Great Falls Voyagers. In 2008, he was named the manager of the Kannapolis Intimidators for the 2009 season. In 2011, Young was tabbed to manage the West Michigan Whitecaps, the class A affiliate of the Detroit Tigers, a position he retained for the 2012 season. Young currently serves on the Board of Directors of USA Baseball and managed the Team USA Professional Team for the 2011 World Cup and Pan Am Games.