



MINNESOTA SOFTBALL HALL OF FAME

NOMINATION FORM



2025

Nominee DOUG SCHAUST Birth date AUG 3, 1955

Address 671 Ridgewood Drive City/State Delano Zip 55328

Softball Community where major accomplishments were achieved Delano & Hollywood

Is that softball community's program currently affiliated with the MSF, the MN Softball Hall of Fame Administrator/Custodian? ☒ Yes ☐ No

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Check the Nomination Category:

☒ Superior Performance

☐ Meritorious Service

☐ Pioneers of Yesterday

Check all that apply:

☒ Player

☐ Manager/Coach

☐ Promoter

☐ Administrator

☐ Umpire

☐ Sponsor

Check all that apply:

☐ Fastpitch

☒ Modified Pitch

☐ Slowpitch

Nominated by Glen Muckenhirn Date of Nomination 2-6-25
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Nominee's Personal Stats • 30+ years played fast pitch & modified
• CAREER BATTING AVERAGE of OVER 400 • CAREER OB % is OVER 500
• OVER 250 CAREER HOME RUNS ~ BIGGEST HOME RUN 1st INNING GRAND SLAM
IN the 1987 National Championship in Columbia Maryland
• 1st TEAM ALL AMERICAN CATCHER at 1987 Natls.

Nominee's Personal Accomplishments • 3X TEAM MVP for TRI ANGLE ENTERPRISES
• MVP of 4th of JULY TOURNAMENT
• 10X NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS
• KEY MEMBER of the 1985 Natl Champs of Triangle ENT teams that set the
all-time single season MN MODIFIED record for wins with 75 wins.
During this season Dong led the team with 130 RBI's & 30 Home Runs

Nominee's Team Accomplishments • 2X Natl CHAMPIONS • 5x State CHAMPIONS
• 3X State RUNNER-UP • 7X PRESTIGIOUS 4th of JULY Delano CHAMPIONS

- ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEET IF NECESSARY -

Attach a one or two page narrative, **as you would want their bio read at the nominee's potential induction ceremony**. Provide pertinent accomplishments of nominee in city, district, state, regional or national competition. **(See reverse side for sample bio)**. Also, attach newspaper clippings, letters of reference or other forms of documentation. **Include statistical information in the bio.**

Send to: Minnesota Softball Hall of Fame Committee • 118 12th Ave. N. • South St. Paul, MN 55075
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DEADLINE FOR SENDING THIS NOMINATION IS JUNE 1

Looking at Doug Schaust for the HOF nomination it is easy to see how very deserving of this honor he is.

He has been an incredible team player and has stellar individual stats.

Doug started his softball career playing Fast pitch at Hollywood in 1971

In 1973 he moved to Modified pitch playing for Aubie Theis Realty until they folded.

Doug's talents were sought after. He brought a dedication to being on time and ready to play along with his big bat to several Modified teams. As a premier Catcher he was able to direct and lead his teams play.

In 1985 Doug joined ranks with our team staying until the team retired in 1996.

Then, Doug continued to bring his leadership and experience to other teams until his retirement in 2006

Doug became the man in the Middle as far as batting order. He was even tempered and that helped him be focused and steady at bat. His numbers show how successful he was at putting bat to ball on the field. Over 250 Homeruns and an over 400 career batting average.

Doug is a tall guy. His demeanor is not as imposing as his stature but you wouldn't know that on the field. He played fiercely and fairly. Each inning was its own task.

Along with steady softball skills Doug also brought humor and calm to most situations.

He has been known as a catcher to walk out to a pitcher that was needing focus and say something profound and simple like... "Don't think!"

Doug was able to command wins as a catcher by being good at his position. Some might say Cat like reflexes! He read the field well as a defense player.

Doug lists his personal highlights as things like:

Five State Championship Titles.

Being Named 4th of July MVP in Hometown Delano. He was on teams that won the tournament 7 different years.

Making the trip to National Tournaments 10 times.

2X National Titles – Green Bay and Columbia Maryland

Being named 1st team All American Catcher at Columbia Maryland

His 1st inning Grand Slam HR in the National Championship that is also a top highlight for all of us on the team.

Doug lists the fact that our team was like family. To this day we still are. We gather a few times a year to talk and laugh and have fun.

Doug Schaust #10 Catcher

Birthdate 8-4-1955

Hall of Fame Accomplishments

- 30 Plus year Career started 1971 and finished early 2000.
- 2 x National Champs
 - A. 1985 Green Bay Wisc.
 - B. 1987 Columbia Maryland 1st team ***All-American*** Catcher.
- 5 X State Champion
 - A. 1982,1983,1986,1991,1993
- 3 X State Runner Up 1985, 1987, 1989
- 3 x Triangle Enterprises Team MVP
- Doug had over 250 Home runs none bigger than a first Inning Grand slam in the 1987 National Championship in Columbia Maryland.
- 7 X Prestigious Delano 4th of July Champion
 - A. MVP of the 4th of July Tourney
- Key member of the 1985 Natl Champs Triangle Enterprise Team that set the all time single season Minnesota Modified Record for wins with 75 wins , During this season Doug led the team with 130 RBI's AND 30 Home Runs.
- 10 National Tournament Appearances
- Career Average over .400 with OB % over .500

Player	YRS	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI's	SO	BB	AVG.	OB%	Pos
Lynch, Tim	3	105	339	116	164	46	7	26	169	6	39	0.483	223/377	C/DH
Mayer, Pat	3	89	184	50	52	6	3	0	35	18	2	0.283	99/212	RF
Moonen, Dave	2	50	113	36	45	7	5	4	26	1	6	0.398	58/120	OF
Moonen, Mark	18	472	895	250	300	61	19	15	269	36	100	0.336	453/900	OF
Muchenhirn, Glen	13	656	1892	640	827	174	48	232	1031	52	220	0.437	1169/2193	DH/1B
Muchenhirn, Jim	8	302	406	112	100	15	18	9	132	46	98	0.246	230/574	P
Neubauer, Bruce	6	342	966	287	320	70	50	42	323	33	113	0.331	486/1081	1B/OF
Prehn, Dave	12	496	1311	486	519	102	61	70	491	51	228	0.396	823/1541	P/OF
Prehn, Gary	8	307	942	426	452	50	46	12	250	19	178	0.479	684/1180	SS
Quast, Kevin	2	143	360	124	136	20	15	8	106	12	67	0.378	231/429	CF
Schaust, Dennis	14	588	1132	360	378	61	24	9	327	27	317	0.334	756/1449	1B
Schaust, Doug	16	657	2002	621	813	188	27	159	920	32	209	0.406	1103/2171	C
Schaust, Ed	21	1008	2637	884	1122	240	140	72	1118	30	309	0.425	1560/2897	Util
Schaust, John	21	977	2660	963	1159	238	75	20	796	46	490	0.435	1825/3209	2B
Schaust, Matt	9	235	643	301	282	85	39	11	176	22	221	0.422	504/775	3B
Schaust, Mike	6	245	553	177	200	26	16	6	166	7	119	0.364	313/596	CF
Schmidt, Tom	7	187	527	167	231	55	15	3	138	1	35	0.438	310/560	SS
Shoutz, Bobby	5	151	331	103	113	18	6	1	103	13	65	0.341	214/397	2B
Tepper, Rob	4	122	227	74	76	17	8	2	65	2	20	0.335	114/250	OF
Thiesen, Lonnie	3	115	308	87	117	29	6	13	93	7	56	0.380	186/369	1B
Thiesen, Mike	3	87	168	45	47	8	2	0	36	18	49	0.280	109/213	1B
Tousignant, Jim	2	54	84	27	30	7	5	3	29	6	8	0.357	46/92	1B/OF
Valli, Rick	3	110	339	145	152	37	10	34	182	16	53	0.448	214/388	3B
Wabbe, Tim	2	102	287	102	104	30	11	15	99	1	54	0.362	177/344	CF
Team Totals	21	1137	32,428	10,904	12,640	2,493	1,121	1,033	10,904	856	5402	0.390	19,562	
													38,559	

16 of Dougs 30 plus YEARS of Softball

1985 TRIANGLE ENTERPRISES 75-12
(MODIFIED'S 'MOST EVER' WINS)

- 2ND PLACE AT STATE TOURNAMENT
- GREEN BAY, WI CLASS A NATIONALS
- 10 TOURNAMENTS - MADE CHAMPIONSHIP OF ALL 10
- 1ST PLACE DELANO & ST. BENI LEAGUE PLAY
- SOFTBALL WORLD NEWS ~ ARTICLE FROM NATIONALS IN PREMIER ISSUE



Softball

A national title almost is costly

By Perry Coonce

The price of winning was almost too much for the LSI-Triangle men's modified team of Delano.

Rain caused an eight-hour delay in national tournament play at Columbia, Md., and Triangle faced a dilemma: To reschedule its return flight at an additional \$250 per man or drop out of the tournament.

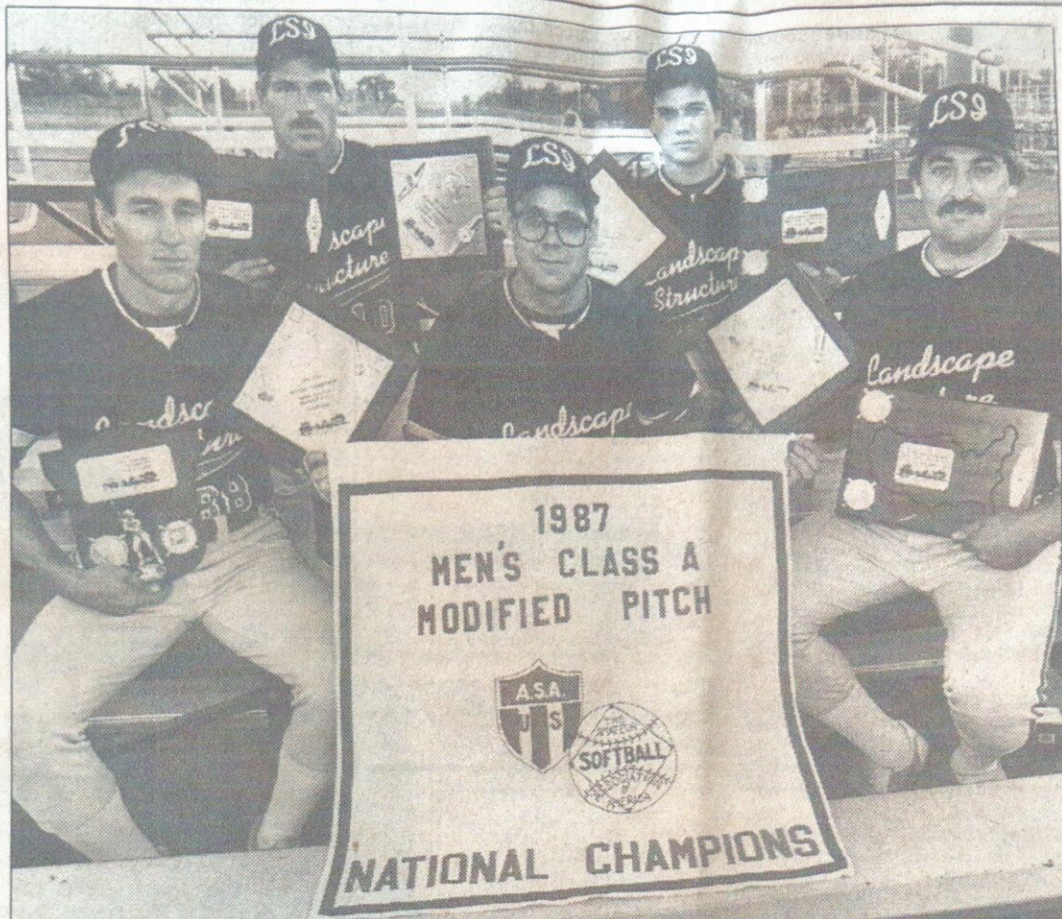
Manager Ed Schaust said the decision wasn't an easy one. "We had already spent over \$5,000 to make the trip, and now we were looking at nearly doubling that amount," he said. "Several pleas to the airlines for help went unanswered, and a fifth consecutive win early on Monday put us in the championship game." The team met and decided playing for the national title was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity which couldn't be passed up.

"Minutes before game time we received word from Northwest Airlines that they were waiving the \$3,250 re-booking fee, and that really fired us up," said Schaust. Triangle's good news spelled bad news for foe Bluhm of Pennsylvania. Paced by catcher Doug Schaust's 310-foot grand slam the Delano club exploded for eight runs in its first at-bat. After two innings the score was 14-0, and only the margin of victory remained in doubt.

Triangle finished the tournament with a 6-0 record and placed four players on the All-America team: Doug Schaust (.435, 10 RBI), designated player Glen Muckenhirn (.429) left fielder Brad Grinnell (.357) and pitcher Dave Prehn (.440, 10 RBI). Prehn was named tournament MVP.

Schaust cited Grinnell's clutch hitting and shortstop Tom Schmidt's fielding as key to his team's success. "There were 40 teams in the tournament that were good enough to win it, but fate was on our side," Schaust said.

Triangle finished with a 61-8 mark.



Staff Photo by Donald Black

Triangle's champions: Dave Prehn, left, Doug Schaust, Ed Schaust, Brad Grinnell and Glen Muckenhirn.

Last weekend's class D Men's Slow Pitch Central Divisional Tournament at Zachary Park in Plymouth placed an emphasis on endurance, and Shaggy's Bar of St. Paul showed it possessed that quality by finishing fifth in a 128-team field.

Shaggy's posted a 6-2 record, led by the hitting of third baseman Colin Leitch (.640), left fielder Mike Borndale (.625), second baseman Jeff Borndale (.587) and pitcher Tom Abrahamson (.574).

Manager Steve Leafgren credited team speed and aggressive play for his team's impressive 83-27 record.

"We don't have much home run power but we hit more than our share of doubles and triples," said Leafgren.

The Anoka Spooks proved once again that their reputation as one of the best women's slow-pitch teams in the nation is well-deserved.

The Spooks' second-place finish in the nationals marks the 10th time in 13 years that the Spooks have finished in the top 10, an unparalleled record.

Four players were named first team All-America, and three were selected-second team. Those making the first team were right fielder Teresa Held, left-center fielder Carol Bemis, shortstop Linda Polley and second baseman Judy Knight. On the second team were third baseman Shelley Johnson, pitcher Linda Garbett and first baseman Linda Nelson.

Anoka posted a 6-2 record in the meet beating Illusions, Texas 5-4; Sports Page, Iowa 17-2; Telepower, Indiana 6-3; Tomboys, Georgia 11-5; Rebels, Florida 3-2, 7-5 and losing to Key Ford, Florida, 3-2, 6-1.

Minnesotans will receive a rare treat next year when the national tournament is held in Bloomington.

Daggett of Detroit Lakes just had a storybook season.

The first chapter was completed when the class D men's slow-pitch team won the tough Detroit Lakes League with a 20-0 mark.

The final chapter concluded when Daggett trounced Bob's Tavern of Fergus Falls in the state championship game 12-2.

Leading hitters for Detroit Lakes in the state tournament were pitcher Craig West (.625), catcher Dennis Zick (.609) and outfielder Randy Koste (.600). Third baseman Robin Hopper's 9-for-9 performance Saturday got Daggett off to a 3-0 start.

The Sixth Annual Softball Hall of Fame induction ceremonies and banquet will be held Saturday, Oct. 24 at the Sheraton-Inn Northwest in Brooklyn Park. Tickets may be obtained by contacting the Minnesota Sports Federation at 425-0311.