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1999 KISHWAUKEE BASEBALL
National Champions

In the spring of 1998, Kish baseball coach Mike Davenport recruited players by asking them one question:

“How would you like to win a national championship?”

The young men who took him up on his offer found themselves part of a jubilant pile of 19 Kish baseball players on the pitcher's mound at USA Baseball Stadium in Millington, Tennessee in June 1999, the NJCAA Division II National Champions.

The season had been one of promise and a late season losing streak that threatened the dream. “They were a talented group of players that had ups and downs throughout the year. They became a team that just would not quit regardless of the score and situation,” Davenport said.

Number 27, centerfielder Anthony Monegan characterized the end of the season along the same lines, “We definitely got hot at the right time, but coached D always pushed us to be better.”

Davenport was a young coach. He played for DeKalb High School for four years under Coach Dave Pettengell and then at Kish for two years under Coach Tom Barnard. After Kish, he played at Clarke University in Iowa. He recalled, “I was a very young head coach when I was hired at Kish in 1995 and will always be very appreciative of Jodi Lord and the hiring committee that gave me a chance at such a young age.”

The Kish Kougars title run culminated in a single word headline in the DeKalb Daily Chronicle.

Official team portrait from the Championship Tournament.
1999 KISHWAUKEE BASEBALL

ROSTER

PLAYERS
Andy Becker
Mike Boetzel
Brad Bouris
Jedid Butler
Ryan Cosner
Daryl Edwards
Brendon Fort
James Hymon
Savarees McCarter
Kevin McKinney
Pat McCorquodale
Ben McKay
Anthony Monegan
Chad Peterson
Josh Pethoud
John Pratapas
Matt Salvesen
Jedd Sorensen
Nick Stevens

COACHES
Coach Davenport
Coach Ingram

The team found itself heating up and winning the Arrowhead Conference and NJCAA Region IV championship to earn a place in the National Tournament that year.

“The week leading up to the tournament, all I can remember is how excited and focused we were. Knowing that we had a legitimate shot at our goal made us believe in ourselves and our coaches’ vision,” Monegan added. “We were like a well-oiled machine.”

The team beat Kellogg Community College with a final score of 17-2 to earn the title and ended the season with an overall record of 49-17.

Five Kougars earned places on the All-Tournament Team: Ryan Cosner, Anthony Monegan, John Pratapas, Matt Salvesen, and Jedd Sorensen. Salvesen was named the MVP of the National Tournament and found out during the trophy ceremony that he had been selected in the Major League Free Agent Amateur Draft by the Chicago White Sox. He wasn’t alone. Monegan and Michael Baetzel were also drafted by the White Sox and several other players were scouted.

Mike Davenport was named the 1999 NJCAA Division II Coach of the Year.

Josh Pethoud returned to Kish in 2003 as Davenport’s Assistant Coach and then became the Head Baseball Coach when Davenport went to Madison College in Wisconsin in 2004. Pethoud still coaches the team.

Anthony Monegan lives in Matteson and is a Cook County Sheriff. He summed up the long-lasting change a championship brings to a college player’s life. “Winning a national championship made me appreciate all the little things and it really gave me perspective on what hard work does for you: Set your goals and go achieve them.”

In Memory: Matt Salvesen • 1979 – 2017

Matt played third base on the Championship baseball team in 1999 and was named the Most Valuable Player of the National Tournament.

He was drafted by the Chicago White Sox in the 1999 Major League Baseball Amateur Draft. He returned to Kish for his sophomore year and then went to play for the Bristol White Sox. Matt earned his degree from UW-Stevens Point and then worked as a manager at Harvest Moon in Galloway, Wisconsin.

Matt passed away unexpectedly in August 2017. He is survived by his wife of 13 years, Rebecca, and their four children: Ian, Rory, Milo, and Monty. Matt was a beloved coach of youth baseball in Wisconsin for several years, sharing his passion for the game with his children and other young players.
In 2008, the Kishwaukee Volleyball team accomplished one of the rarest feats in athletics: winning three consecutive national championships, a “3-peat.”

The Kougars had achieved near dynasty status under head coach Wayne King and won back-to-back NJCAA Division II championships in 2001 and 2002. When King retired, Ron Sweet took over in 2002 and knew he had some big shoes to fill.

“Everyone told me I was crazy because anything less than winning a National Championship would be a letdown for the Kish program,” he recalled.

The 2008 3-peat team with their trophies.

Campus turned out to welcome back the champs with a reception.
Sweet hit the groundwork that Wayne King had constructed. The team won the Regional Championship every year like clockwork and going into the 2008 season, Sweet had been named the Region IV Coach of the Year for four consecutive years.

But 2008 was different.

“What is really interesting and challenging about coaching at a two-year college is that, if you go out and recruit a great player, you only have them for two years,” Sweet explained. “We won back-to-back championships in 2006 and 2007, but we had a core of players that graduated. I had to recruit a whole new championship level team very quickly.” Two of his recruits were Ashley Beyer and Darcie Faylor.

Ashley Beyer played outside hitter and remembers the confidence and energy of the team. “There was never a doubt in my mind when I was at Kish we would win the 3rd National Championship in a row,” she remembered. Defensive specialist Darcie Faylor agreed, “With a team that believed in each other, and a Coach as passionate as ours, nothing was going to stand in our way. We practiced hard and we played even harder!”

Heading into the National Tournament in the Wisconsin Dells that November, the Kougars were the #1 seed. They lived up to every expectation.

Before the championship game, Sweet gave a pep talk to the team. “We didn’t have to play the best games of our lives. We just had to play the way we had played all year long. I told them this year they had made life-long friends. They’d made memories and they had made me so very proud as a coach. But tonight, tonight they would make history! They went crazy and were ready for that match.”

When the tournament was over and the Kougars had achieved their 3-Peat, Beyer remembered the moment. “It almost didn’t feel real, but when you are in the moment you are relieved because all the hard work, sweat and tears finally paid off,” she said.

Faylor added, “We played so hard that game, our fans were just as loud as we were. It was amazing to have all that support charge onto the court and celebrate with our team and coaching staff.”

The team won the National Championship; Ashley Beyer was named National tournament MVP; Darcie Faylor and Ashley Kimball were named to the All National Tournament Team and Coach Ron Sweet was named the NJCAA Division II Coach of the Year. The team wrapped up 2008 with an incredible 56-3 record.

Sweet’s memories of the incredible three year run of Kish volleyball center on teams that were tightly bonded and fierce on the court. “When we would warm up and do our hitting lines, I loved watching the looks on the other teams’ faces. Most of them had never seen players hit balls like that” he said.

“That was a lot of fun.”

Today, Ashley Beyer is Assistant Coach for the Georgia State University women’s volleyball team and Darcie Herron (left) is the Director of the Bowen Recovery Center in Fort Wayne, IN.
When Scott Kawall came to Kish last year to interview for the Director of Student Involvement/Athletic Director position, Jodi Lord, Assistant Professor of Health, Physical Education and Education, was one of the search committee members and she thought he looked familiar.

He certainly did. In 1994 when Jodi was the Athletic Director at Kish, she had hired Scott to be the head softball coach for the '94-'95 season.

Jodi had served as the Kish AU from 1994-2002. Under her leadership, the Kish athletic programs were transformed: men’s basketball took 2nd place in the 1996 National Championship Tournament; men’s baseball team was the 1999 National Champions; and women’s volleyball won back-to-back national titles in 2001 and 2002. “I didn’t really “do” anything,” she stated. “I hired good people. My philosophy was to bring in quality coaching staff and let them do their jobs.”

Scott Kawall and Jodi Lord are both proud leaders in the Kougar tradition. Jodi is also pictured in the media guide to the right as Head Coach of the 1997 Women’s Volleyball team.
Although humble about her role, Jodi created an atmosphere that inspired teams to give their all for the Kishwaukee Kougars during her tenure as AD. When Scott took on the AD role in Spring 2017 along with Student Involvement duties, Jodi was the perfect choice for his mentor as AD. He said, “Jodi has a ton of knowledge and when I talk to her she pretty much can say “been there, done that!” She was passionate as an AD, and she still has that passion for Kougar athletics.”

Jodi recalled her time as AD as one of energy and momentum. “At that time, we offered men’s and women’s basketball, baseball, softball, men’s soccer, tennis, volleyball and golf, and had some amazing coaches. Wayne King started a volleyball dynasty, Mike Davenport, a Kish alum, turned baseball into a national championship team, and we had Greg Gierke for basketball. They all were coaches that kids wanted to play for.”

In 2002, Jodi decided to hand over the AD position to have more time with her own young family. She is still an Assistant Professor of Education at the College. After her departure from the AD role, tighter budgets began to restrict the athletics department. Tennis, then golf, and later soccer were cut.

Scott was hired in 2017 and was given the task of rebuilding, focusing on local recruitment. “As AD, I am focused on bringing back our winning tradition,” he explained. “One of the first things was to create a Student Athletic Success Committee. Jodi is a member. The athletes should remember that they are students first. Success in the classroom and success in competition is important. I have also hired several new, young coaches to bring that energy to the programs.”

New to campus this year are Krystal Gundy, women’s basketball; Caroline Nojiri, softball, and Emily Bodmer, volleyball. The College also brought back men’s soccer for 2018 with coach Brenton Joseph and added women’s soccer with coach Zac Ludwig, plus men’s and women’s cross country with coaches Scott Peterson and Missy Gilles.

Scott noted, “This year our teams—especially the returning women’s basketball and volleyball teams—played with intensity and put in a lot of hard work. With another new year of recruiting under their belts, the success should increase as well.”

Jodi can relate to bringing in young coaching talent because she employed the same strategy. Mike Davenport was a raw coach when he accepted the position to be baseball coach at Kish. It led to a national championship just a few years later. Jodi noted, “Young energetic coaches who put in the time, dedication and passion can build a solid program.”

Scott is also charged with increasing the number of athletes from in-district high schools who make up the Kish teams. “We are building right now and have really increased the local athletes on our teams,” he explained. “High school ADs are excited that we have a new local focus. I think we should be very competitive in 2018-2019 and hopefully competing for regional titles by 2019-2020 across the programs.”

Exciting things are happening in Kish athletics!
Meet Today’s KISH KOUGARS!

In Fall 2018, Kish will be fielding nine athletic teams featuring many local athletes from our in-district high schools.

Meet the coaches who are creating Kougar Pride!

**Men’s Baseball**

Head Coach: Josh Pethoud

We want to win on the field, win in the classroom, and win in the community.

Playing Kougar baseball is about developing as a young man.

Coach Josh Pethoud (right) with player Jared Montavon, Sycamore (left).

**Men’s Basketball**

Head Coach: Jay Moore

Next season, we are looking at building our defense – especially rebounding – and emphasizing getting the best possible shot. We’re recruiting right now looking for players who will put team above self and want to play hard, play smart, and play together as a team.

**Women’s Basketball**

Head Coach: Krystal Gundy

The 2018-19 season will be different – there will be six returners who can step up and be leaders for the incoming freshmen. I have a good mixture of athletes coming in and they all have the Kougar Mentality. We are starting the new season with excitement, hard work and eagerness to win.

Coach Krystal Gundy (right) with player Cayla Winters, Genoa (left).

**Men’s & Women’s Cross Country**

Assistant Coach: Missy Gillis

In 2018-19, our inaugural season, I will be developing a culture of excellence and creating traditions that will set the foundation for the future of the program. Coach Peterson and I are expecting athletes who will put in the hard work, give their best effort, and success will come.

Coach Missy Gillis (left) with runner Emily Plauk, Sycamore (right).
Men’s Soccer

Head Coach: Brenton Joseph
This year will be a year of learning for all the players on the team. With so many new parts to put together into a cohesive unit – our main goal is to be in games.

Women’s Volleyball

Head Coach: Emily Bodmer
My emphasis in recruiting for the 2018 season is height and a solid Volleyball IQ. With three returning players, we have some experience on the team and will use those players as a foundation to build on and move forward.

Coach Emily Bodmer (right) with player Madison Hunt, Sycamore (left).

New this Summer...
Athletic Camps at Kish for grades K – High School!

For specific camp information – dates, times and age groups, please visit www.kishkougars.com/camp
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Team rosters shown here are in-district athletes that have committed to play for Kish as of April 30, 2018.
**STUDENT INVOLVEMENT**

Participation in Student Activities is one of the best ways a student can meet other students, feel a part of the campus, and increase their academic success. In addition to Athletics, Kishwaukee College offers over 20 student clubs and organizations.

*Michelle Rothmeyer, Vice President of Student Services, explained the importance of student involvement,*

“The learning and experiences that take place outside the classroom in clubs and organizations are just as important as the academic experiences in the classroom. Research supports this, as well. Student involvement is positively correlated with persistence to completing a degree and graduation because students connect with faculty, staff and other students to gain additional support.”

**Student Clubs**

Clubs give students in a specific program or interest area an opportunity to meet like-minded students and engage in club activities that are related to their career interest.

*Example:* The Business Club plans an annual trip to visit the Chicago Board of Trade and meet with brokers.

**Honors & Leadership Organizations**

Clubs that have academic performance or campus engagement as membership criteria. They offer students an opportunity to practice leadership skills and collaborate with other students to develop campus-wide activities and service projects.

*Example:* The Alpha Rho Eta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society at Kish regularly serves meals to the homeless and holds activities for other clubs to participate and create relationships across campus.

**Cultural Organizations**

These clubs offer students an opportunity to raise awareness of cultural diversity on campus and throughout the local communities.

*Example:* The Black Student Union hosts a variety of events that allow the student body to learn more about a broad spectrum of topics that are reflective of African American history and experience.

**Intramural Competitions**

Intramural competitions are a great way to fit in a bit of physical exercise or take a mental break from academics. Students’ participation in intramural programs offer a way to relax and meet new friends on campus.

*Example:* Intramurals at Kish run the gamut from 3-on-3 basketball tournaments to bags tournaments and video game competitions.

**Getting involved is simple to do and important!**

*Check out all the options at [www.kish.edu/clubs](http://www.kish.edu/clubs)*
### Important Academic Dates:

**Final Exams**  
Thursday, May 10 – Wednesday, May 16

**Summer Tuition Due Date**  
Monday, May 21

**Memorial Day – Campus Closed**  
Monday, May 28

**Summer Semester Begins**  
Tuesday, May 29

**Apply for Summer Graduation**  
Friday, June 15

**Independence Day – Campus Closed**  
Wednesday, July 4

**Fall Tuition Due Date**  
Tuesday, July 31

**Summer Semester Ends**  
August 3, 2018

**Saturday Registration**  
Saturday, August 18

**Fall Semester Begins**  
Monday, August 20

**Labor Day – Campus Closed**  
September 3, 2018

### Campus Events:

- **Horticulture Department Plant Sale**  
  Friday, May 11 • 7:30 am – 2:00 pm  
  Greenhouse

- **Alpha Delta Nu, Nursing Honor Society Pinning Ceremony**  
  Wednesday, May 16 • 3:30 pm  
  Jenkins Auditorium

- **Nursing Program Pinning Ceremony**  
  Wednesday, May 16 • 5:00 pm  
  Jenkins Auditorium

- **Spring 2018 Graduation Commencement Ceremonies**  
  Saturday, May 19 • 9:00 am & 11 am  
  Gymnasium

- **Homeschool Visit Day**  
  Thursday, May 31 • 8:30 – 11:30 am  
  Conference Center

- **Radiology Pinning**  
  Monday, June 25 • 7:00 pm  
  Jenkins Auditorium

- **Paramedic Graduation**  
  Thursday, August 2 • 6:00  
  Jenkins Auditorium

- **Therapeutic Massage Graduation**  
  Wednesday, August 8 • 5:30  
  Jenkins Auditorium

- **New Student Orientation**  
  Thursday, August 9 • 9:00 am – 12 pm  
  Conference Center

### See Kish in the Community at:

- **Genoa Days Parade, Genoa**  
  Saturday, June 9 • 1:00 pm

- **Malta Days Parade, Malta**  
  Sunday, June 10 • 11:00 am

- **Kirkland Parade, Kirkland**  
  Wednesday, July 4 • 11:00 am

- **Kish Fest Parade, DeKalb**  
  Saturday, July 28 • 7:00 pm

- **Lincoln Hwy Heritage Festival Parade, Rochelle**  
  Sunday, August 19 • 1:00 pm

- **Corn Fest, DeKalb**  
  Saturday, August 25 • 11:00 am

- **Sycamore Pumpkin Parade, Sycamore**  
  Sunday, October 28 • 1:00 pm

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**Celebrating 50 years of PRIDE • PASSION • PURPOSE**

**Kish 50th Anniversary Events:**

1. **KC Foundation Golf Outing**  
   The Foundation Golf Outing event supports scholarships for students.  
   Saturday, June 9, 2018 • Kishwaukee Country Club

2. **Fragments of Kish Wine Walk**  
   Stroll through the beautiful grounds and facilities of Kishwaukee College while enjoying wine and spirit tastings along the way.  
   Thursday, July 19 • Kishwaukee College

3. **Jonamac Corn Maze**  
   Check out the 2018 corn maze – designed to commemorate the College’s 50th Anniversary.  
   September 1 - October 29, 2018

4. **50th Anniversary Homecoming**  
   Celebrate an old-fashioned, family-friendly Homecoming with kids' games, activities sponsored by Kish departments/programs, home Men's Soccer game and much more!  
   Saturday, September 15 • Kishwaukee College

5. **Kishwaukee College Foundation Gala**  
   The annual Foundation Gala will celebrate 50 years of Kishwaukee College in the community.  
   Saturday, November 3 • Kishwaukee College

6. **Faces of Kish Art Exhibition**  
   Visit the Art Gallery for the Faces of Kish art exhibition featuring portraits of Kish students, staff, alumni and community members, painted by Miles Halpern, Assistant Professor of Art.  
   November 14 – December 11 • Kishwaukee College Art Gallery

7. **50th Anniversary Closing Reception**  
   Wrap up a year of celebrating 50 years of Pride, Passion and Purpose with a reception featuring the Faces of Kish.  
   December 11 • Kishwaukee College Art Gallery

Visit [www.kish.edu/50th](http://www.kish.edu/50th) for more information on these events & others that are celebrating this milestone!  
Dates and times subject to change. Please check website.
Let this summer at Kish give you an added edge this fall!

Taking summer classes can get you closer to transfer, graduation and your career!

For more info or to register, visit [www.kish.edu/summer](http://www.kish.edu/summer)

Registration in progress!