

OSCAR DELAGARZA

Oscar joined the coaching staff while still serving full time duty in the United States Marine Corps. DeLaGarza is a 1st Lieutenant and is stationed at the El Toro Marine Corps Base. Married and the father of three children, Oscar will assist Dave Ristig with the junior varsity. DeLaGarza has participated in the All Marine Corps Championships as coach and player. Upon graduation from Chapman, DeLaGarza hopes to enter full-time coaching after retirement from the Marine Corps.



Baseball Hopes High

by Kathleen Schmidt

The Panthers shot off the season at Cal State Fullerton, Friday the 13th. They were ahead 3 to 2 until the ninth inning when CSF tied it up with a home run and won in the 10th inning. Bill Young hit a home run and Gorden Blakeley starred with four hits out of four at bats with one home run. Due to the rain in the previous week, the Alumni, Whittier and UCLA games scheduled at Hart Park were cancelled.

Head Coach Bob Pomeroy is beginning his sixth year at Chapman and hopes to see his team go for a third time to the NCAA Regionals. Last year Chapman took a second place finish in the Far West Regionals. Bob along with his assistant coaches Ed Peck, Mike Sepulveda, Dave Ristig and Oscar DeLaGarza are working together to win the National title this year.

Chapman's Panthers have a tough schedule coming up including away trips to Arizona State and Northern Arizona. Competition will be stiff with teams such as UCLA, USC, Eastern Michigan University, Wyoming, Utah and Cal State Fullerton where the Orange County Tournament will be held in March. The tournament will be double elimination and UC Irvine and Southern California College will join CSF and the Panthers.

The leaders of the Panthers, otherwise known as co-captains are Gorden Blakeley, who had the most home runs last season and John Link who scored many game winning hits.

The outfield possesses a lot of speed with Julius Bowe and Jerry Divine coming back from

last season where they each stole 45 bases that set a new Chapman record and Jack Hudson who has the strongest throwing arm in the pasture. Pitching seems to be a plus with the hard throwing of Rich Douglass, Charlie Kretschmar, Gary Lucas and Geoff Irwin as probable starters. Starting infield includes Blakeley at third, Bob MacHale as shortstop, Tim Flannery at second and Bill Young at first. Backing up Link at catching will be Wayne Griffiths who could see a lot of action behind the plate this season.

That is the news for now and I hope to see you supporting the Panther Baseball team with vigorous enthusiasm and a mouth full of chew, at Hart Park located at the end of Shaffer Street just north of the Garden Grove Freeway.



CHAPMAN COLLEGE BASEBALL ROSTER 1976

NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CLASS	BIRTHDAY	B	T	LAST SCHOOL	COACH
Baty, Melvin	2B	5-11	165	Freshman	7-15-56	R	R	Bellflower	Kekich
Blakeley, Gordon	3B	6-1	180	Senior	1-12-54	R	R	Golden West	Hoover
Bowe, Julius	OF	5-11	160	Senior	1-31-53	R	R	El Camino	Dellesadnros
Campbell, Gary	IB-P	6-2	170	Freshman	10-14-57	L	L	Littleton	White
DeLaGarza, Oscar	OF	5-9	175	Freshman	2-1-43	R	R	United States Marines	
Divine, Jerry	OF	6-0	175	Senior	10-21-54	S	R	Oscar Rose	Brumley
Douglass, Rich	P	6-3	190	Junior	7-23-55	R	R	Saddleback	Stevtz
Ekstrom, Dean	OF	6-2	170	Senior	8-14-54	L	L	La Jolla	Capri
Feletto, Martin	IB	5-11	185	Freshman	12-14-56	R	R	Sacramento	Simas
Fields, Les	OF	6-0	175	Sophomore	2-7-56	R	R	Villa Park	Ochoa
Flannery, Tim	2B	5-11	170	Freshman	9-29-57	L	R	Anaheim	Balaam
George, Joe	P	5-11	180	Junior	1-17-55	R	R	Olympia, Wash.	Mulligan
Griffiths, Wayne	C	6-1	185	Junior	1-11-55	R	R	Santa Ana	Reach
Hansen, Steve	P	6-1	155	Junior	11-29-54	R	R	Cerritos	Kincaid
Hudson, Jack	OF-C	6-3	180	Junior	9-2-55	R	R	Golden West	Hoover
Irwin, Geoff	P	6-0	185	Senior	12-12-52	R	R	Fullerton	Martin
Kretschmar, Charles	P	6-0	210	Junior	7-20-55	R	R	Cerritos	Kincaid
Lambert, Dave	IB	6-2	185	Junior	7-29-55	L	L	Columbia City	Dorman
Link, John	C	5-10	170	Senior	5-12-54	R	R	Crescenta Valley	Gelsinger
Lucas, Gary	P	6-5	196	Senior	11-8-54	L	L	Poly High	Rambriz
MacHale, Bob	SS	6-1	170	Junior	9-9-55	L	R	Santa Ana	Reach
Munio, Don	SS-2B	5-10	170	Senior	4-9-53	R	R	Santa Ana	Wilson
Munoz, Tom	P	6-0	160	Sophomore	12-22-55	R	R	Anaheim	Hatfield
Piccioni, Gerard	SS	5-11	165	Sophomore	12-4-55	R	R	Damien	Kolodge
Primas, Ted	3B	6-0	170	Sophomore	6-21-56	R	R	San Diego	Carbone
Riess, Wayne	OF	6-4	190	Freshman	10-4-57	R	R	Tustin	Valenta
Schmidt, Brodie	IB	6-0	175	Sophomore	8-29-54	L	L	Santa Ana	Ross
Sukowsky, Mike	2B	6-1	175	Freshman	1-18-58	R	R	Mater Dei	Ickes
Taylor, Ted	OF	6-0	150	Freshman	9-26-57	L	L	Troy	Fuscardo
Temple, Scott	P	6-1	165	Senior	12-17-53	R	R	Grossmont	Mickesson
Webb, Tom	P	6-1	175	Junior	12-28-54	R	R	Santa Ana	Ross
Weneta, John	C	5-8	148	Sophomore	12-5-55	R	R	Villa Park	Ochoa
Young, Bill	1B-OF	6-1	193	Senior	3-11-54	R	R	Phoenix	Marich

COACHES: ROBERT POMEROY, ED PECK, MIKE SEPULVEDA, DAVE RISTIG, OSCAR DELAGARZA

