



Opening Night Dinner

March 28, 2023



2023 Opening Dinner Agenda

Opening Remarks

Vince Kelly, President

Welcome

Jack McFarland, Head Coach, Staples Baseball

Coaches' Overview

Freshman - Don Smith, Head Coach

Junior Varsity - Scott Carew, Head Coach

Diamond Club Presentation

Andrea Kline, Events - Program Overview, Financials

Guest Speaker

Peter Paguaga

Varsity Presentation

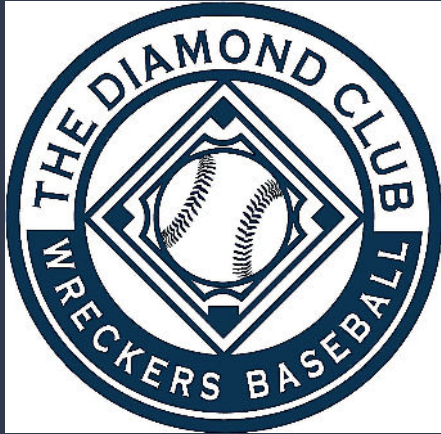
Jack McFarland, Head Coach

Evening Wrap Up by Varsity Captains

Ethan Cukier, David Gervasio, Hiro Wyatt, Chris Zajac

Go Wreckers!!!

The Diamond Club Supports the Staples Baseball Program



- Acknowledgements
- Founded in 2005
- Volunteer 501(c)3 non-profit
- Consists of players' parents and Staples baseball supporters working together to ensure our student athletes have a positive experience

Freshman Team

Head Coach
Donnie Smith

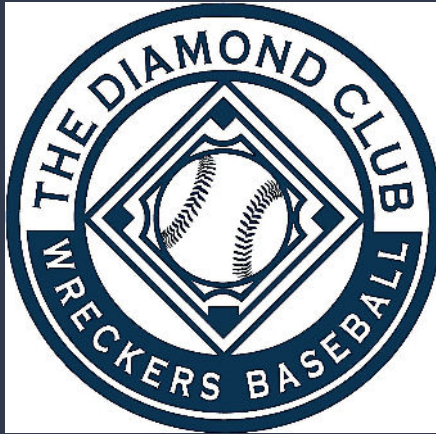
Assistant Coach
Ron Clarke
Jeff Vitatoe

Junior Varsity Team

Head Coach
Scott Carew

Assistant Coach
Mike Caetano

Board Members 2023



Vince Kelly, President

Jaimee Kelsey, Social Media & Website

Andrea Kline, Events

Raleigh Leahy, Sponsorship & Events

Stacy Lessing, Special Projects

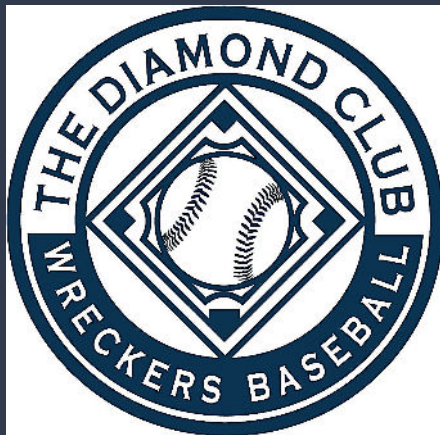
Michelle Murphy, Communications & Livestream

Colleen Oppenheimer, Fundraising

John Videler, Photography

Emily Ziegler, Sponsorship

The Diamond Club Contributions to Staples Baseball



Capital Projects:

- Field Maintenance & Improvements
- Wakeman Infield & Bullpen
- Blue Monster
- Staples Turtle

Salaries - Assistant Coaches

Uniforms - New Uniforms / Hats

Administration - Insurance, Accounting, Web Support & Telecommunications

GameChanger - ipads and accounts for all Levels

Livestream & HUDL - 30 Games across all Levels, Game Review / Highlight Reels

Special Events - Banquets, Senior Day, Little League Day, Pizza Parties & more

Player Development / Winter Workouts / Strength & Conditioning

Expanded Livestream Program

LIVESTREAM

- All Home Games (Across Fr, JV and V) Shared Through Live Video
- Family, Friends, Fans & Coaches Can Catch the Action from Anywhere
- Simply Click the Banner on the Staples Baseball Website
- Partner with SHS Media Dept. for Broadcasters/Listen on WWPT



- Hub for Coaches & Players to:
 - Review & Breakdown Games
 - Communicate with In-App Messaging
 - Create Highlight Reels for Recruiting
- All Players Receive Invite to Create Personal Account

Diamond Club Membership

Grand Slam Membership Club
Team Member Support Level
\$1275

Home Run Membership Club
\$975

Triple Membership Club
\$750

Events & Fundraisers

April

- 1** Opening Day
- 21** Little League Day
- 30** Baseball Community Fun Day /
Hit-A-Thon

May

- 15** Senior Day
- TBD** Challenger Baseball Day

June

- 8** Closing Banquet

Team Support

Varsity Captains' Parents

Lisa Cukier, Katie Gervasio, Tamami Wyatt, Kathryn Zajac (Spaeth)

Team Parents

JV: TBA

FR: TBA

- Communicate updates from Coaches & Diamond Club
- Organize Pasta Dinners
- Organize Away Game Bus Snacks
- Confirm Parent Photographer for Each Game

Stay Informed

More information about Staples Baseball can be found on the Staples Baseball Website staplesbaseball.com, including

- News & Updates
- Box Scores
- Livestream Links
- Photographs from most games

Follow us on social media:

Team Instagram: [@staples.baseball](https://www.instagram.com/staples.baseball)

Team Twitter: [@WreckersBaseball](https://twitter.com/WreckersBaseball)

Team Facebook Page: [StaplesBaseball](https://www.facebook.com/StaplesBaseball)

Schedules/Updates Twitter: [@staplesbaseball](https://twitter.com/staplesbaseball) **(be sure to turn on notifications!)**

Schedules: Download to your calendar from ciacsports.com

Staples Diamond Club email: baseball@staplesdiamondclub.com

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2023 Staples Wreckers Opening Dinner Special Guest

Pete Paguaga

Senior Producer, Hearst CT Media

Career:

- Statewide coverage of CT baseball for the last decade
- Currently in his 5th year at GameTimeCT, at which Pete:
 - Selects GameTimeCT All-State Baseball Team
 - Hosts the High and Tight High School Baseball Podcast

Education:

- Southern CT State University - Bachelor of Journalism
- Sacred Heart University- Masters in Sports Communication Media
- Southern CT State University - Adjunct Prof since 2020

Varsity Head Coach Jack McFarland

2009 & 2019 Coach of the Year

Over 250 Wins

FCIAC Champions 2008, 2009, 2011 & 2019

FCIAC Regular Season Champions 2009

FCIAC Runner-Up 2010, 2014, 2015, 2018,
2019

Division Champions 2009, 2010, 2014, 2015,
2018, 2019

Class LL State Finalist 2015

Class LL State Champions 2017 Ranked #1 CT
New Haven Register

Class LL State Champions 2019 Ranked #1 CT
All Polls



Varsity Team

Assoc. Head Coach Brian Sikorski

Assistant Coaches

Jeff Love

Bob Buswell

Keith Avery

Message from the Varsity Captains

Ethan Cukier
David Gervasio
Hiro Wyatt
Chris Zajac



Thank You for Attending

We look forward to a Fantastic Season



GO WRECKERS!!