

# Red Wing Prexy Sees Baseball as A Force for Good

By MOLLY JUDGE

A firm believer in "a family that plays together stays together," Vincent Stanley, the newly elected president of the Rochester Red Wings intends to make baseball fans out the entire family.

"From my own observations, I've noticed many tragic signs surrounding families that are broken apart by divorce. Two people, the mother and father, are needed to bring up a mature person," Stanley said. "A few ways to remedy the situation is for people to be prepared for marriage and parenthood and to work to make the family structure stronger."

The parishioner of St. Anne's Parish believes that families who take an interest in each other and become involved in athletics strengthen the family structure. "One way to bring entire families to the stadium is to get the women interested in baseball. There are many women who don't understand the sport and would really enjoy it if they did," admitted Stanley. "How can a mother understand what a young man is doing if she doesn't understand his outside interests?"

"If more women would participate in the sport, they, in turn,

would bring more men and boys into the stadium. It would be a family affair," he said.

To illustrate his point, Mrs. Evelyn Stanley stated that "we have three boys. And being interested in baseball is a great plus for me in getting to know my boys and being involved with them."

To help women understand the sport, Stanley is toying with the idea of offering special clinics this summer for women, as well as clinics for Little League coaches and boys. He also will launch a promotional campaign in area high schools to spur interest in the team.

Stanley was a member of the Red Wing Board of Executive Directors before being elected president. He owns V.J. Stanley, Inc. which distributes heaters, regulators and thermostatic controls. In addition to the Red Wings, Stanley is involved with the Brighton Youth Agency and the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO).

"I have always been interested in youth," he said. "The youth of today has a lot to learn from sports. Sports teaches you how to win and how to lose. And if you lose, in sports, you'll learn to keep

Matter of fact, they overtimed Hobart, and there are a lot of basketball observers who say they'd make Brockport State the favorite over the U. of R.

Flashback: When the new athletic director, Dave O'connor, grew restless with a losing basketball program at Scranton, he nudged the coach and took over himself. Eleven straight wins.

Odds Without Ends: The change in trivia questions reflects the change in the sports world. Sample: Name 7-footer Bill Walton's newest attorney and adviser. Union College of Schenectady has to be looking for some winners. It recently brought in a pair of big name coaches—Tom Cahill for football, and Ned Harkness to handle a skating program. I wish every athlete in pro sports would listen to Stan Mikita, the Chicago Black Hawk star who works with handicapped children: "It's about time some of the great names in sports gave up some of that personal privacy we read so much about and take time to brighten the lives of people who really need it. I assure them it is most gratifying and will make them feel they really do deserve those big pay days."

## K of C Sets Oratorical Competition

District eliminations in the Knights of Columbus oratorical contest will take place at the K. of C. Center, Webster, on Thursday, Feb. 20, beginning at 8 p.m. The winner will advance to area finals.

The contest is open to all students, regardless of creed, graduating from high school in January or June, 1975. Students planning to participate must notify Edward Walsh at 671-5031 not later than Monday, Feb. 10.

## Emanuele Feted

Musa Caravan 25 of the Order of Alhambra feted past grand commander Tony Emanuele at a testimonial last night at the Party House. Emanuele was praised for his work in aiding the Multiple Sclerosis drive, the Kidney Foundation, the School of the Holy Childhood and the Muscular Dystrophy campaign.

Chairman was John Murphy with Dr. Peter Pellitteri master of ceremonies.

on trying until you reach perfection."

As for women participating in baseball with men, Stanley declared "we're in a period of transition and it should be gradual. It seems as if we're expected to incorporate women with the men even though they're not physically able to compete. For an example, I really don't think it's fair that a mature 14 year old boy should be pitching against a 12 year old girl who is not yet developed physically."

Stanley added that "women have been left out of sports and should have a right to participate where she is playing with people of her own strength."



VINCENT J. STANLEY

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University of Rochester basketball fortunes are at a low ebb. In the modern Classic; the Yellowjackets lost by an apparently respectable "newspaper" margin of six points to previously winless Dartmouth, but actually were blown out of the game in the second half, when they dropped back by 20. The next night Syracuse toyed with Rochester, and what hurt most was seeing former Rochester area players in the Syracuse lineup when the Orange unloaded its bench.

There is talk of a possible shakeup in the roundball department, which means a coaching change. Lyle Brown has a powerful career record, but he's not going to keep the Alumni happy if he can't recruit some of the talent that's being picked off the Rochester market by so many other schools, most of them bigger name basketball outfits.

Being non-competitive in the Kodak Classic is bad. What looks worse is the U. of R.'s unwillingness to step into the Lincoln First Tournament, which is made to order and set up for the U. of R. to join.

A seven-team format is odd by design. It includes all the area basketball schools — Brockport State, John Fisher, Hobart, R.I.T., Geneseo State, Roberts and Alfred.

Lincoln First does a first rate job here, picking up the entire tab so that competing schools can cut up the boxoffice revenue. The unnatural seven-team deal will remain, with hopes that the U. of R. will some day "come down" to this tournament.

Maybe the River Campus people figure they've got everything to lose and nothing to gain by joining the Lincoln First setup. Maybe. But the way things are going with the Yellowjackets, they ought to welcome a spot where they might compete as favorites.

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