

CHARGERS IN THE PROS

New Haven Players that signed professional contracts...

The Charger Baseball program has a rich history of players signing professional contracts following their playing days at New Haven, including 10 that went on to make the Major Leagues. Below is a list of former players known to have signed pro contracts.

1965 Joe Lahoud, Boston, OF *	1979 Tom Grant, Chicago Cubs, OF * Don Murelli, Baltimore, SS Tom Notarino, Pittsburgh, P	1988 Ken Coleman, Chicago WS, 2B Kevin Kerkes, Seattle, OF Dave McAuliffe, Cincinnati, P	2001 Rob Skinnon, Evansville Otters, 2B
1969 Al Borchetta, Montreal, P Ron Diorio, Philadelphia, P * Vin Rispoli, Montreal, P Dave Wallace, Philadelphia, P *	1980 Tom Banner, Baltimore, 3B Kurt Kepshire, Cincinnati, P * Mike Zamba, Pittsburgh, P	1989 Bo Birkhead, Milwaukee, P Steve DiBartolomeo, Chicago Cubs, P	2002 Steve Bray, Kansas City, P Doug Vroman, Montreal, OF
1970 John Krawicki, San Diego, P Leo Veleas, Boston, OF	1981 Mike Giordano, Minnesota, P Dave Hoyt, Minnesota, OF	1990 Ron Perkins, Chicago WS, C	2006 Ed Sempey, Los Angeles/Anaheim, P
1971 Dick Anderson, Pittsburgh, P Stan Thomas, Washington, P *	1982 Scott Murray, New York Mets, P Mike Soper, Texas Rangers, P	1991 Nick Sproviero, Montreal Expos, P Jeff Letourneau, NY Yankees, P	2007 Jim O'Malia, Bradenton Juice, P
1972 Mark Kilmurray, Boston, SS Jim Pascarella, Texas, 2B Scott Rahl, New York, 1B, C	1983 Mike Mattern, Cincinnati, OF	1993 Russ Lehoisky, Minnesota Twins, P	2008 Michael Moras, NY Mets, C Dan Sausville, Quebec, P
1973 Doug Fortune, Chicago WS, 1B	1984 Mike Racza, Baltimore, P * Matt Reed, Chicago Cubs, P	1994 Scott Smith, Mobile Bay Sharks, P	2012 Alex Smith, NY Yankees, P Ryan Brockett, Worcester Tornadoes, SS Matt Sommo, Sioux Falls Pheasants, P
1974 Rich Montoni, Chicago WS, OF Joe Small, San Francisco, SS	1985 Tony Buglione, St. Louis Cardinals, C Cameron Drew, Houston, OF *	1995 Jarod Smith, Mobile Bay Sharks, P Bill Buscetto, Mohawk Valley, C	2013 Henry Hirsch, Pittsburgh, P
1975 Dave Schuler, Cleveland, P *	1986 Robert Giansiracusa, Philadelphia, OF Scott Khoury, Baltimore, OF Wayne Rogalski, Houston, SS	1996 Steve Hine, Boston, 2B Kevin Jason, Independent League, SS Mike O'Brien, Independent League, 1B Bob Cook, Independent League, P Anthony Gallo, Indy League, OF	2014 Chris DeMorais, Tampa Bay, OF
1977 Brian Brown, Pittsburgh, 3B Dave Ciazio, Philadelphia, P Steve Tipa, Chicago WS, OF	1987 Brian Stone, Milwaukee, P	1997 Jim Klemyk, Bridgeport Bluefish, P	2015 John Melville, Watertown Bucks, P
1978 Steve Bedrosian, Atlanta, P * Jerry Perry, Detroit, P Ken Young, Boston, OF	1988 Rob Ricco, Cincinnati, 3B Jim Ferguson, St. Louis Cardinals, OF Les Wallin, Boston, 1B	1998 T.T. Gallaher, Cleveland, IF	2016 Frank Vilacha, Antwerp Belgium, P
		2000 Chris LeSieur, Arizona, P Brian Schwalm, Waterbury Spirit, P	2017 Josh Walker, NY Mets, P *
			2018 Mike Aquilino, Bridgeport Bluefish, P
			2019 David Palmer, Schaumburg Boomers, P Kellen Croce, Washington WildThings, P Tom Walraven, Gary-Southshore Railcats, INF
			2020 Matt Chamberlain, St. Louis Cardinals, OF

* - player made appearances in MLB game(s)



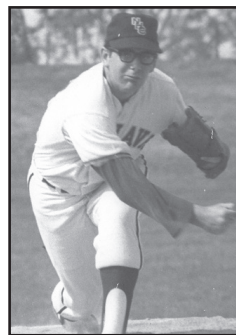
Did You Know?

UNH is one of only 14 colleges to have produced a Cy Young winner in the 50-year history of the award. **Steve Bedrosian** picked up the NL Cy Young Award in 1987 after saving 40 of the Phillies' 80 victories. "Bedrock" went on to win a World Series ring with the Minnesota Twins in 1991.



1985 MLB Draft First Round

1. B.J. Surhoff - Milwaukee
2. Will Clark - San Francisco
3. Bobby Witt - Texas
4. Barry Larkin - Cincinnati
5. Kurt Brown - Chicago (A)
6. Barry Bonds - Pittsburgh
7. Mike Campbell - Seattle
8. Pete Incaviglia - Montreal
9. Mike Poehl - Cleveland
10. Chris Gwynn - L.A.
11. Walt Weiss - Oakland
12. **Cameron Drew - Houston**



Dave Wallace

Wallace, a respected professional coach for over 30 years, won a World Series ring as the pitching coach for the Boston Red Sox in 2004. He most recently served as the pitching coach of the Baltimore Orioles from 2014-16.



Ron Diorio

Philadelphia Phillies

We are always looking to update our records. If you have an addition or correction to this list, please e-mail newhavenchargers@newhaven.edu. Include your contact information, the year that you first signed, what organization or minor league team, and what position you played.