



The Mankato Area association is announce the five the Peppers Hall

former players will be honored during this year's 8th Annual Hall of Fame Banquet scheduled for Saturday, February 22nd at the Mankato Eagle's Club.

Girls Fastpitch pleased to latest inductees to of Fame. The

This year's Hall of Fame inductees include:

Ashley (Goettl) Hanley

Ashley (Goettl) Hanley played for the Mankato Peppers from 1999-2009. She was an all-state player for Mankato West, helping the Scarlets to a second and sixth place finish in the Minnesota State Tournament. Ashley then went on to play at The University of Wisconsin – River Falls, earning all-conference and all-region honors. Ashley also helped the Falcons to the regional championship game. She was also an academic All-American and the WIAC's NCAA Woman of the year.

Angie Kopp

Angie did not play or coach softball for the Mankato Peppers, however, she was a mom who wanted to help make softball a lifelong passion for each and every girl who did play. Angie graduated from New Ulm High School and attended Minnesota State University where she earned her B.S. degree in Industrial and Organizational Psychology. That organization part came in handy for her tenure with the Mankato Peppers, where she was the Organization Manager from 2005-2011 and 2012-2014. Angie has been employed at one Taylor Corporation company or another for the past 27 years. The birth of her twins, Kelsey and Tyler, in 1997 while living in Chicago prompted a move home to raise her kids in a little calmer environment. Angie wasn't a softball player, however, she was thrilled to watch from the sidelines as her daughter and each kid that came through the Peppers program grew as a person, player and a teammate. Angie's time with the Peppers and her time as Organization Manager wasn't always "fun and games" but it was always rewarding. She very grateful for the opportunity to have been a part of the team.

Lizzy Karp

Lizzy Karp played 8 seasons for the Mankato Peppers, starting when she was 10 years old. During that time, Lizzy played in multiple state and national tournaments, winning the state tournament three times. Lizzy graduated from Mankato Loyola High School in 2010. At

Loyola, she played varsity softball for six years and was the starting catcher for five. Lizzy's high school team placed third in the Minnesota State High School Tournament her first year as a starter. After high school, Lizzy attended The University of Wisconsin-Madison where she earned a bachelor's degree in English and Criminal Justice in 2014. Lizzy went on to earn a law degree from William Mitchell in 2017 and is currently working as a Public Defender in Hennepin County.

Megan Greenwood Fitzloff

Megan Fitzloff started playing for the Mankato Peppers at the age of 12 and continued to play through 18U. Megan was the catcher for the Mankato West Scarlets softball team before graduating in 2001. She chose to go to the University of MN, Duluth and was a UMD Bulldog softball player for a year and a half. Megan graduated from the University of MN, Duluth in 2005 with a bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education with an Early Childhood Special Education License. Megan has three children and she has thoroughly loved coaching her daughters for the past 7 years in the Little Peppers, Southern Star, and the Fall Ball leagues.

Molly Biehn Becker

Molly Biehn Becker played on Mankato Pepper softball teams for 9 years. She was a part of two 16-under state championship teams and played in the National tournament twice. She went on to play college softball at Gustavus Adolphus College where she was recently inducted into the Gustavus Athletics Hall of Fame. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in nursing and is a registered nurse at Methodist Hospital in St. Louis Park, MN. Molly and her husband Brian live in Rosemount, MN.