

# Jackets respect all but fear none



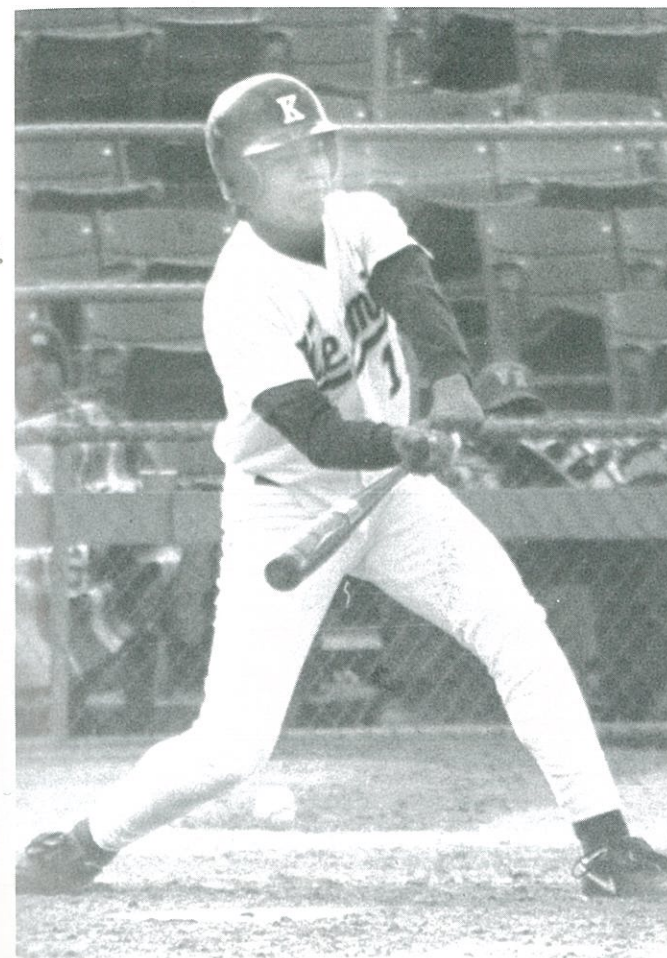
Varsity sluggers are (l to r) Eric Castillo, Mark Heredia, Arnold Navarro, and Danny Simonds; (kneeling, l to r) Louis Soltero, Damian Martinez, Tim Beckham, Victor Saucedo, Stan the Man Birkla, and Jared Mills; (standing, l to r) Coach Johnny Kinzy, Eric Gallardo, Jeff Richardson, Adrian Bonilla, Cande Montes and Coach Mario Heredia.

The 1996 Kermit Yellow Jackets had a great year. They started the season winning two of three tournaments. As the regular season came to a close the Jackets had amassed a 23-4 record and a ranking of fifth in the state. At publishing time, the Jackets looked well on their way to State . . . nuff said.

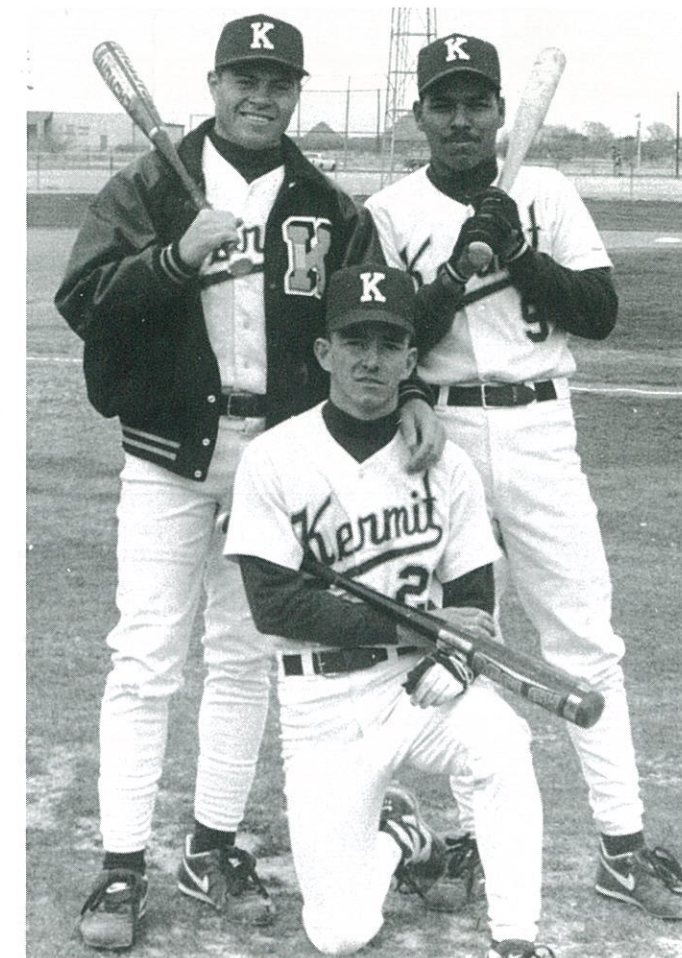
Stanley Birkla



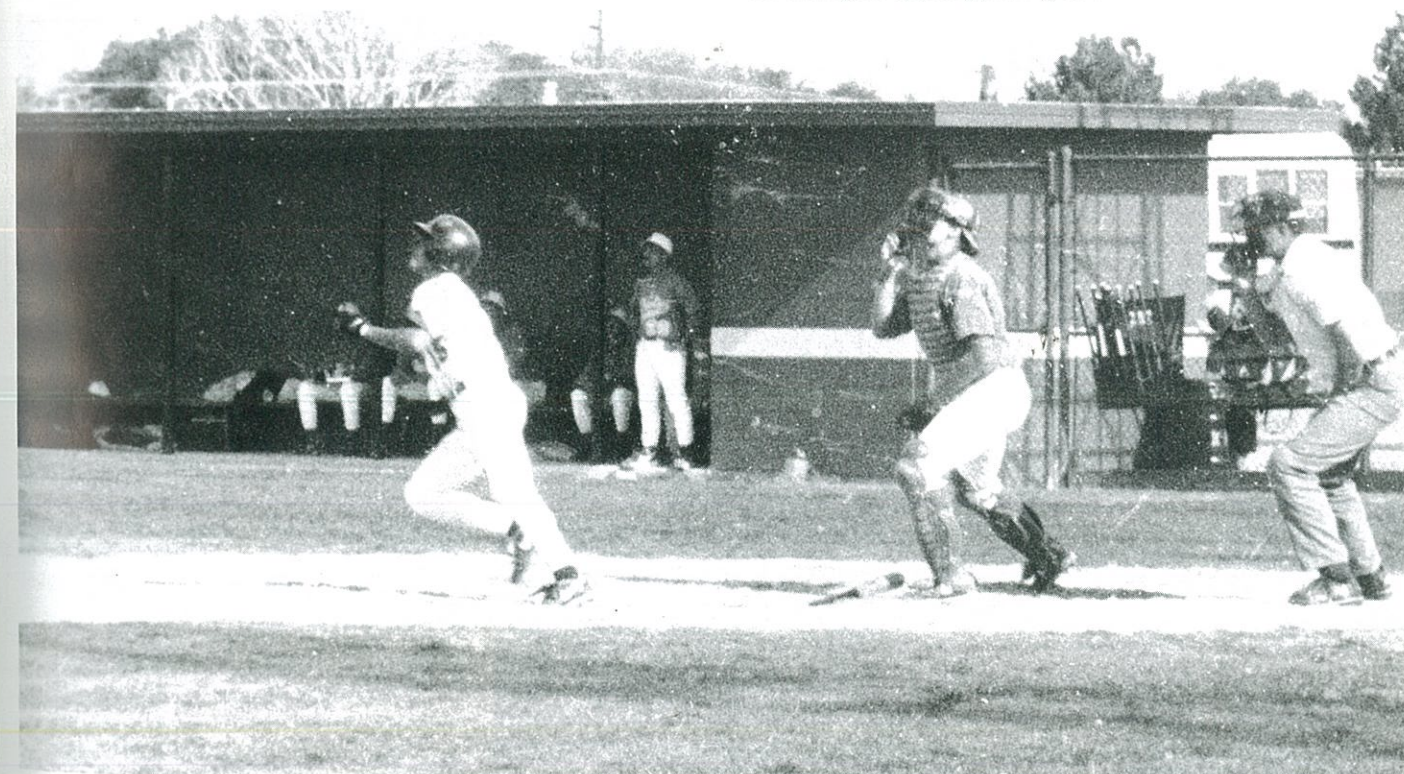
Bonilla makes contact, he scores!



Eric Gallardo hits foul ball while playing at the Greenwood Tournament.



The top of the Yellow Jacket lineup composed of Cande Montes (left), Victor Saucedo (right), and Stanley Birkla (center) pose for a picture before demolishing the opposing pitching staff.



Damian Martinez slams a ball over the center field fence.