

Gene Granquist is shown pitching in a recent Lakes Division game. Shortstop Dave Martin is ready for action. (Courtesy of Alysa Chapman Studios)

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## We're Ready for the Winter Softball Season By Larry Wolfe

Isn't it great to live in a place where you can use "winter" and "softball" in the same sentence!? While our northern brethren are shoveling snow, here in Sun Lakes it's business as usual at the Field of Dreams. At the press deadline, we still had a week to go in the Fall Season. Then after a holiday break, we'll start the Winter Season on Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>.

In the Sun Division, the Spooner Physical Therapy-sponsored team was in first place with an 8-4 record while the Core Photography squad led the Lakes Division with a 7-3 ledger. Bob Wicks led the Sun Division in both homeruns (14) and batting average (.825). Other top homer hitters were Bobby Farmer (12), Tom

Bersano (11) and Steve Hilby, Mike Lebet and Dave Platt (all with 8). Steve Hilby was just six points behind Bob Wicks with a .819 average, followed by Dave Platt (.807), Larry Kaufmann (.789) and Bobby Farmer (.779).

Dave Martin was leading the Lakes Division in batting with a .851 average, followed by Tom Lorgan (.837), Steve Schaider (.815), Doug Warwick (.805) and Vern Rodgers (.778). Bill Jacobson, Vern Rodgers and Doug Warwick each had two round trippers.

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