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**BISHOP GORMAN HIGH SCHOOL STANDOUT NAMED
GATORADE® NEVADA BASEBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

CHICAGO (May 28, 2013) — In its 28th year of honoring the nation's best high school athletes, The Gatorade Company, in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports, today announced Kenny Meimerstorf of Bishop Gorman High School as its 2012-13 Gatorade Nevada Baseball Player of the Year. Meimerstorf is the fifth Gatorade Nevada Baseball Player of the Year to be chosen from Bishop Gorman High School.

The award, which recognizes not only outstanding athletic excellence, but also high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character demonstrated on and off the field, distinguishes Meimerstorf as Nevada's best high school baseball player. Now a finalist for the prestigious Gatorade National Baseball Player of the Year award announced in May, Meimerstorf joins an elite alumni association of past state award-winners in 12 sports, including Derek Jeter (1991-92, Kalamazoo HS, Mich.), Roy Halladay (1994-95, Arvada West HS, Colo.), David Price (2003-04, Blackman HS, Tenn.), Chipper Jones (1989-90, Bolles School, Fla.), Derrek Lee (1992-93, El Camino HS, Calif.) and John Lester (2001-02, Bellarmine Prep, Wash.).

The 6-foot, 185-pound senior outfielder batted .427 with 15 home runs, 54 runs scored, 46 RBI and an .893 slugging percentage, leading the Gaels (34-10) to the Division I state final this past season. A 2012 All-Southern Nevada selection, Meimerstorf is a four-year varsity starter who played on three state championship teams and hit more than 40 home runs in his prep career.

Meimerstorf has maintained a 3.19 weighted GPA in the classroom. He has volunteered locally on behalf of Matthew's Closet, an area non-profit organization that provides clothing for needy families, in addition to donating his time as a youth baseball coach for physically handicapped children.

"Kenny Meimerstorf has been one of the most consistent, hard-working hitters we've had since he's been here," said Bishop Gorman High head coach Nick Day. "He's been one of our leaders and a huge part of our success."

Meimerstorf has signed a National Letter of Intent to play baseball on an athletic scholarship at the University of Arizona this fall.

The [Gatorade Player of the Year](#) program annually recognizes one winner in the District of Columbia and each of the 50 states that sanction high school football, girls volleyball, boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, baseball, softball, and boys and girls track & field, and awards one National Player of the Year in each sport. The selection process is administered by the Gatorade high school sports leadership team in partnership with [USA TODAY High School Sports](#), which work with top sport-specific experts and a media advisory board of accomplished, veteran prep sports journalists to determine the state winners in each sport.

Meimerstorf joins recent Gatorade Nevada Baseball Players of the Year Joey Gallo (2011-12, Bishop Gorman High School), Jake Hager (2010 - 11, Sierra Vista High School), Kris Bryant (2009-10, Bonanza), Jeff Malm (2008-09 & 2007-08 Bishop Gorman), and Taylor Cole (2006-2007, Bishop Gorman College Prep) among the state's list of former award winners.

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