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Mike and Euletta Meusborn made a surprise trip to Los Angeles, Calif. last month when their son Tom Meusborn was honored at the third annual High School Baseball Coaches Reception.

Meusborn has coached the Chatsworth Chancellors for an amazing 20 years. Under his guidance, the team has seen two national titles, eight city section titles and 16 West Valley League titles. They have won eight of 13 California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) championship games, played at Dodger Stadium.

In 2003 and 2004 the Chancellors set a state record, winning 54 games straight. In those two years, the state had a 61-8 record, which is the best in California prep baseball for a team playing 20 or more games in two years.

In addition to the team's honors, Meusborn was named National Coach of the Year by USA Today in 2003. In 1990, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2004 he was named Coach of the Year by several other organizations.

Many of Meusborn's players have gone on to play college or professional baseball. On June 22 Meusborn was inducted into the California High School Hall of Fame.

For a phenomenal coaching career, Meusborn was awarded the Tommy Lasorda Lifetime Achievement Award. The award, which is given to the most outstanding baseball coaches in Southern California, was presented to Meusborn by his parents. Mike and Euletta were honored to share in such an important event in their son's life.

While winning 521 games in his career is an honorable feat in itself, Mike was quick to point out that Meusborn is more than a great baseball coach. Each week, Meusborn's baseball team is required to attend a study hall. Every player, from freshman to senior, is expected to put his academics first.

Meusborn's wife Mary and children Shawn and Kellie were also present for the awards

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