Before Babson's baseball club formed officially in 1969, student athletes organized themselves and played on intramural teams. David Umanoff '61 recalls the day, about 50 years ago, when this softball photo was taken. “This was an intramural fraternity game. I wasn’t in the fraternity, but I was probably covering the game for Babson Globe News, for which I was sports editor and staff of one. About half of us lived in 'The Playpen,' the second floor of Park Manor North. We were a happy bunch of guys who got along famously.”

Another ballplayer, Andrew Mandell '61, was a member of Alpha Kappa Psi. He writes, “We didn’t have uniforms, and we brought our own equipment, but the games were great. I made friends across the entire campus. I’ve been trying to contact some of the guys and have been in touch with a few. It would be good to get everyone together and back on campus.”

If you recognize anyone not identified (see chart on right), please e-mail the names—along with your memories—to alumnews@babson.edu.

Next year marks the 50th reunion of the Class of ’61. Join the celebration at Back to Babson on Sept. 23–24. For more information, visit www.babson.edu/backtobabson.

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