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## JOIN THE ABCA & BCA

Both are great organizations to be a part of. Get involved with high school baseball at the national level. For more information contact:

### ABCA Membership

4101 Piedmont Parkway  
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Tempe, AZ 85284  
(602) 615-0571 Cost: \$50.00



## Happy Holidays from the dugout: *Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to Everyone!!*

IHSBCA Clinic returns to Cedar Rapids: This years clinic will return to Cedar Rapids at the Marriott Hotel, 1200 Collins Road NE, on January 18-19, 2019. You can make reservations by going to the IHSBCA website and clicking on the reservations tab at the top of the front page. We are very excited with our list of clinic speakers this year. On Friday afternoon, we will have Pat Murphy from the University of Alabama, University of Iowa Head Coach Rick Heller, Creighton Head Coach Ed Servais, and one more speaker TBA in the pitching area. Our coaches mini-clinics will conclude Friday's sessions running from 4:55 to 6:50 pm. On Saturday, we will have our annual IHSAA rules meeting and add these two additional speakers - New York Yankee's minor league catching coach Tyson Blaser, Cleveland Indians minor league assistant Director of Player Development Justin Toole. We will continue to host the annual McDonalds/FCA Breakfast on Saturday morning starting at 7:30 am. Mike Botts is heading up the umpire side of the clinic. Our umpire sessions will follow the same time frame on both Friday and Saturday. Hope to see everyone! Vendors will be allowed to start setting up their displays on Friday morning beginning at 9:00 am. The clinic sessions will begin at 1:00 pm on Friday afternoon and continue through Saturday, concluding at 3:45 pm.

The Awards Banquet will be held at the Marriott Hotel on Saturday evening, beginning at 6:00 pm. We are again looking forward to another outstanding weekend of baseball. With the clinic fast approaching, please check to make sure your membership has been paid for the 2018-2019 season. The new membership calendar year started on September 1, 2018 and runs through August 31, 2019. If your mailing label does not say 2019 on it, your dues have not yet been paid for this year. If you have questions, please give Lee Toole a call. Schools are reminded to take advantage of the school membership group rates. A reminder of how the discount works: the head coach is \$30.00, the first assistant coach is \$30.00, the second assistant coach is \$20.00, and the third assistant coach and beyond are \$15.00 each. The only catch to qualify for this coaching staff group discount rate is that all coaches, from the same school, must send in their membership forms together at the same time.

The Steering Committee, Board of Directors and each individual committee will meet prior to the start of the clinic on Friday. The Board and Steering Committee will meet on Thursday night, January 17th at the Marriott Hotel. The Steering Committee meeting will begin at 6:30pm, with the Board of Directors meeting beginning at 8:30 pm. Committee and district meetings will take place on Friday morning. Please refer to the list found in this newsletter towards the times and locations of the other individual committee meetings. The general session meeting, which is open to all association members, will take place on Friday morning at 11:00 am.

# 2018-2019 IHSBCA COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

**STEERING COMMITTEE:** *Tony Adams, Newman Catholic-MC (Chairman)*

**\*\*Includes all past presidents**

## **AUDIT/CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE:**

*Bret Hoyer, Cedar Rapids Kennedy (Chairman)*

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## **ALL-DISTRICT COMMITTEE:**

*Jon Fitzpatrick, Martensdale-St. Mary's (Chairman)*

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Jeff Pacha, IC Regina	Keith McSweeney, Solon
Ryan Ronan, Highland	

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Dan Pomeroy, Coon Rapids	

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(All 2 year elected board members)



# MEETING SCHEDULE, OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## Committee Meeting Schedule:

Committee	Site: Marriott Hotel	Date	Time
Steering	Rosewood Room	1/17	6:30pm
Hall of Fame	Rosewood Room	1/18	9:00am
All-District	Elm Room	1/18	8:30am
Clinic Evaluation	Hickory Room	1/18	9:00am
Umpires	Hickory Room	1/18	10:00am
L. Peterson/Pro-Line Award	All-Star Series Site	TBA	TBA
Awards Committee	Veterian Room	1/18	9:30am
Audit/Constitution	Chestnut Room	1/18	9:00am
Rating Poll	Elm Room	1/18	9:30am
Membership	Birch Room	1/18	9:30am
All-Star Series	Iowa City	TBA	TBA
General Session	Hickory Room	1/18	11:00am



Committee chairman will be responsible towards reporting back from their committee meeting during the general session meeting on Friday, January 18th, at 11:00am. Attendance will be taken. Any member can sit in on any of the committee meetings.

## Committee Members:

We would like for each committee member to check when his committee meeting will be held. It is important for the Chairman to take roll at this committee meeting. If a member has been absent for two consecutive years, he will be dropped from that committee unless he appeals his removal in writing to the Vice-President providing proper reasoning behind his non-attendance for two consecutive committee meetings.

## Optional places to stay in Cedar Rapids:

If you are looking for reservations somewhere other than the Marriott Hotel, here is a list to look through:

Marriott Hotel - 1200 Collins Road N.E. (319) 393-6600  
 Double Tree by Hilton - downtown (319) 363-8161  
 Clarion Hotel - 525 33rd Ave. S.W. (319) 366-8671  
 Country Inn - 4747 1st Ave. S.E. (319) 393-8800  
 Village Inn - 100 F Ave. N.W. (319) 366-5323  
 Exel Inn - 616 33rd Ave. S.W. (319) 366-2475  
 Red Roof Inn - 3325 Southgate S.W. (319) 366-7523  
 Econo Lodge - 16th Ave. S.W. (319) 363-8888  
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 Ramada Inn - 4011 16th Ave. S.W. (319) 396-5000  
 HoJo Inn - 3233 Southridge Dr. S.W. (319) 363-9999  
 Longbranch Best Western - 90 Twixt Town Rd. N.E. (319) 377-6386  
 Shoney's Inn - Blairs Ferry Rd. N.E. (319) 378-3948  
 Super 8 Motel - 720 33rd Ave. S.W. (319) 362-6002  
 Holiday Inn Express - Collins Road N.E. (319) 294-9407  
 Howard Johnson Express - 9100 Atlantic Dr. S.W. (319) 363-3789

## Longevity Awards/Membership Awards & Win Club Awards:

Please take time to fill out the enclosed form towards Win Club, Conference Championship, number of years coached, and committee assignments. We need to get as much information collected before the January clinic towards the banquet awards.

## Committee Assignments:

President—elect Dave Middleton will be assigning members to the different committees during the clinic. If you have an interest in serving on one of the committees, contact Dave Please get involved.

## All-Star Coaches Needed:

Coaches, please fill out the questionnaire on the website if you are interested in coaching in the 43rd All-Star Series this coming summer. Dates are August 8-11, 2019, in Carroll. The All-Star Coaches are selected by the Steering committee during the January clinic. We are always looking for coaches to help with this great event. A past head coach must sit out for five years before coaching again. An assistant coach must sit out one year before he can apply again for a coaching position. We need coaches from all over the state to get a good balance. Please consider helping the association by coaching in a future all-star series.

## Join the ABCA and BCA:

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BCA Membership  
 Ron Davini  
 PO Box 12843  
 Tempe, AZ. 85284  
 (602) 615-0571  
 Cost: \$50.00

ABCA Membership  
 4101 Piedmont Parkway  
 Greensboro, NC. 27410  
 (336) 821-3140  
 Fax (336) 886-0000  
 Cost: \$5500





# IHSBCA 2018 Baseball Clinic Schedule



## Friday, January 18th - Session I:

8:00 - 4:00	Registration
11:00 - 12:30	General Session Meeting
12:50 - 1:00	Welcome - Rick Admire - President
1:00 - 1:45	Pat Murphy - University of Alabama - Life Lessons Taught Through Sports
1:45 - 2:10	Vendor Break
2:10 - 2:55	Rick Heller - University of Iowa - Infield Concepts
2:55 - 3:15	Vendor Break
3:15 - 4:00	Justin Toole - Cleveland Indians - Hitting Drills and Fundamentals
4:00 - 4:45	Ed Servais - Creighton University - All Access Baseball Practice

### High School Mini-Clinic Sessions:

#### 4:55 - 6:50 pm High School Coaches Mini-Clinics:

#1 Shawn Schlechter - "Using advanced hitting techniques in HS"  
NIACC Assistant Coach Hickory Room

#2 Keith McSweeney - "Dealing with Parents"  
Solon High School Head Coach Elm Room

#3 Umpires: Coach-Umpire Panel  
Umpire group Birch Room

5:35 - 6:10 pm

#4 Nathan Roling - "Catching/Throwing"  
Simpson College Head Coach Hickory Room

#5 Dan Pomeroy - "Coaches and Umpires Working Together"  
Umpire, Coon Rapids Elm Room

#6 Umpires: Balk or No Balk Pitching Situations Birch Room

6:15 - 6:50 pm

#7 State Championship Coaches Panel Hickory Room  
1A: Alex Bohl - MC Newman HS  
2A: Ryan Hodges - Centerville HS  
3A: Billy Argo - Davenport Assumption HS  
4A: Jeremy Heinen - Urbandale HS

#8 Hitting Panel - "10 Contact Days in April" Elm Room  
Dave Dirkx - Waukee  
Steve Fish - Marion  
Jared Brown - West Marshall  
Travis Bennett - Lisbon and Cornell College

## Saturday, January 19th - Session II:

7:15 - 1:00	Registration
7:30 - 8:50	Ed McNeil/McDonalds FCA Breakfast
9:00 - 10:15	IHSAA Rules Meeting
10:15 - 10:45	Vendor Break/2019 All-Star Coaches Announcement
10:45 - 11:25	Pat Murphy - University of Alabama - Using Video to Motivate Your Team
11:30 - 12:10	Tyson Blaser - NY Yankee's Catching Coach - Catching Fundamentals and Drill Work
12:10 - 1:00	Lunch Break
1:00 - 1:40	Ed Servais - Creighton University - Developing the 5 Tool Player
1:45 - 2:30	Justin Toole - Cleveland Indians - Practicing the New Style of Swing
2:30 - 3:15	Tyson Blaser - NY Yankee's Catching Coach - Catchers Mindset
3:15 - 4:00	TBA - TBA

## 6:00 pm 51st Annual IHSBCA Awards Banquet

### Umpire Clinic: Friday, January 18th - Session I

1:15 - 1:45	What's in Your Bag? Equipment Check-up and Swap
1:45 - 2:30	Working the Plate: 2-Person and 3-Person Mechanics
2:30 - 2:45	Break
2:45 - 3:45	2-Person Mechanics Review
3:45 - 4:45	Case Studies Video Review
4:55 - 6:50	Mini-clinics

### Umpire Clinic: Saturday, January 19th - Session II

9:00 - 10:15	IHSAA Rules Meeting
10:30 - 10:45	Ask Jared Questions for IHSAA
10:45 - 11:25	Interference Obstruction and Force Play Slide Rule
11:25 - 12:00	Conflict Resolution and Professionalism
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch
1:00 - 4:00	Cage Work (Bring your mask)  2-Person and 3-Person Field Mechanics



## 2018 Conference Champs:

<u>Conference</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Coach</u>
Bluegrass	Moravia	Michael Kauzlarich
CIML (Central)	WDM Valley	Ryan Cooley
CIML (Iowa)	Johnston	Michael Barta
CIML (Metro)	Ottumwa	John Jeager
Corner	Stanton	Jason Hart
Hawkeye Ten	Harlan	Steve Daeges
Heart of Iowa	North Polk	Dave Middleton
Iowa Star (North)	Don Bosco Catholic	Blaine Rhoads
(South)	North Tama	Dan Kopriva
Lakes	Estherville-LC	Lee Evans
Little Hawkeye	Indianola	Casey Aldridge
Mississippi Athletic	North Scott	Travis Ralfs
Mississippi Valley - (Miss.)	CR Prairie	Todd Rima
Mississippi Valley - (Valley)	CR Xavier	Dan Halter
Missouri River	Sioux City East	Kevin Dicus
North Central	Clear Lake	Seth Thompson
North Iowa Cedar - (East)	Dike-New Hartford	Sean Leonard
(West)	West Marshall, State Center	Jerod Brown
	AGWSR / BCLUW	David Showalter / Matt Zoske
Northeast Iowa	New Hampton / Decorah	Cory McDonald / D. Olejniczak
	Waverly Shell-Rock	Casey Klunder
Pride of Iowa	Martensdale-St. Mary's	Jon Fitzpatrick
Raccoon River	Carlisle	Blake Heitmeier
River Valley - (South)	IC Regina	Jeff Pacha
(North)	Monticello	Josh Soper
Rolling Valley	CAM, Anita	Dan Daugherty
	Coon Rapids-Bayard	John Waddle
SEISC - (North)	Mediapolis	Rick Whitaker
(South)	New London	Brad Helmerson
Siouxland	West Lyon	Koury Kramer
South Central	Knoxville	Matt Miller
South Iowa Cedar	Colfax-Mingo	Brian Warrick
Southeast	Fairfield	Josh Allison
Top of Iowa	Mason City Newman	Alex Bohl
Tri-Rivers	Lisbon	Travis Bennett
Twin Lakes	Alta-Aurelia	Dan Wendel
Upper Iowa	South Winneshiek	Alex Smith
WAMAC - (East)	Epworth, Western Dubuque	Casey Bryant
(West)	Marion	Steve Fish
War Eagle	West Sioux, Hawarden	Brian Engleman
	Remsen St. Mary's	D. Harpenau/J. Wesselmann
West Central	Van Meter	Mike Kennedy
Western Iowa	Tri-Center	Max Kozeal
Western Valley	Maple Valley-AOCOU	Dan Dougherty
	Woodbury Central, Merville	Bill Meacham
	Lawton-Bronson	Ryan Denney

### District Media Award Winners:

West District:	Jeff Blankman	Carroll Radio KCIM
Central District:	Eric Pratt	Ft. Dodge Messenger
East District:	Russ Ocker	The Pitch Crew

## IHSBCA Award Winners:

### **Bill & Sherry Freese Contributors Award to Devin Schwiesow and Trent Eckstaine:**

We would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to Devin Schwiesow and Trent Eckstaine for their organization, planning, and contributions made during our yearly Junior Showcase. They put together an outstanding event. Their dedication to this event is above and beyond expectations. They are always looking for ways to improve the days schedule, add more participants, increase the college exposure, and give each high school participant the opportunity to show-off their skills in hopes of each athlete landing that opportunity to play at the college level. Whatever our Board has asked of them, they have provided. Devin and Trent, their committee and many volunteers spend countless hours making sure this showcase is one of the best baseball experiences these players will experience. On behalf of the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association, we would like to pass along our deepest appreciation for your support and dedication. Congratulations to Devin and Trent for being named our 2018 Bill and Sherry Freese Contributors Award winners.

### **President's Award to Dennis Olejniczak:**

We would like to take this time to recognize a long time member, coach, friend, and one of the original founding fathers of our association. For that continued support, dedication, and contributions he has made during his 55-year coaching career, we would like to recognize Dennis Olejniczak with the 2018 IHSBCA President's Award. Dennis is the long time and very successful head baseball coach at Decorah High School. He retired from his successful coaching career this fall after 55 years at the helm. He's been an active member of our association, a founding father, has served on numerous committees and worked his way through the officers chairs, serving as president of our association. Dennis's 55-year career led him to become the 2nd winningest high school baseball coach in the nation with 1,417 victories. Dennis has guided his teams to 3 state titles, appeared in 9 state title games, has 11 state tournament appearances, and 21 Northeast Iowa Conference titles. What an impressive career. On behalf of the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association, we would like to congratulate Dennis Olejniczak for being named the 2018 President's Award Winner.



### **Harold "Pinky" Primrose Award to Alan Beste:**

Alan Beste, the executive director of the Iowa High School Athletic Association, announced that he will retire after 30 years with the organization. His retirement will be effective July 10, 2019. Alan first joined the association as a Wellness Coordinator in 1989 and became an assistant associate director in July 1998. He took over as the IHSAA's fifth executive director in August 2014, after Rick Wulkow resigned. Alan joined the association after spending 7 years as a teacher and athletic director at Pleasant Valley High School. He emphasized student-athlete's wellness and safety during his tenure. He earned a bachelor's degree in health education from St. Cloud State and a master's in health and physical education from Northwest Missouri State. He has earned many honors during his time, among those are the NFHS Outstanding Service Award, NFHS Citation, membership in multiple NFHS advisory and rules committees, the Outstanding Sports Medicine Award from the Iowa High School Athletic Directors Association, induction into the Iowa Athletic Trainers' Society's Hall of Honor, creation of the IHSAA's Governor's Scholar Recognition program and Citizen-Leadership poster program, and the development of collaborative programs with the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union, the Iowa Cheerleading Coaches Association, and the Iowa Association of Student Councils. Mr. Beste Commented: "I am proud to have had the opportunity to lead the IHSAA, but of equal importance, I have been able to serve our member schools, students, and officials for 30 years. While some of the days were long, the days have gone by quickly. Rarely did I think of what I did as 'going to work.' Instead, it was more like being able to live out my passion for education-based athletics and activities." On behalf of the IHSBCA, we would like to honor and congratulate Alan Beste with our 2018 Harold "Pinky" Primrose Award.



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Eric Toole

- Director of Baseball Operations
- Colorado Rockies Org. (2015-2018)



Rob Neustrom

- University of Iowa
- 5<sup>th</sup> Round Draft Pick by Baltimore Orioles in 2018



Brandon Platts

- Pitching Director
- 13<sup>th</sup> Round Draft Pick by Pittsburgh Pirates in 2011



Reid Bonner

- Mount Mercy University



Taylor Zeutenhorst

- University of Iowa
- Minor/Independent League (5 seasons)



Nick Nelson

- University of Iowa



Nick Gallagher

- University of Iowa
- 16<sup>th</sup> Round Draft Pick by Cleveland Indians in 2017

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Collum, Jack - Grinnell (P)\*  
Core, Dick - Dubuque (C)  
Corson, Dean - Rockwell City (C)\*  
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Cranston, Wes - Williamsburg (U)\*  
Curtis, Terry - Williamsburg (U)  
Daeges, Steve - Harlan (C)  
Daugherty, Pat - Centerville (C)  
Davis, Dick - Council Bluffs (C)\*  
Davis, Rick - Boone (C)  
Day, Loren "Pee Wee" - Mason City (P)\*

DeBlauw, James - Maple Valley (Ct)  
Denkinger, Don - Waterloo (U)  
Denner, James - Waverly (C)\*  
Dittmer, Jack - Elkader (P)\*  
Dittmer, Marty - Iowa Falls (C)  
Donohue, Jim - Martensdale (C)  
Dorman, Doc - Upper Iowa (C)\*  
Dougherty, Bob - Dunlap (C)  
Drahn, Glen - Belle Plaine (P)  
Droll, Michael - Tipton (U)  
Drummond, Bill - Council Bluffs (P)  
Dutton, Roger - Boone (P)  
Duke, Wayne - Burlington (Ct)\*  
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Feyen, Ed - Dubuque Wahlert (C)  
Fish, Art - Story City (U)\*  
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Folker, Rick - Waterloo (P)  
Fox, Terry - Colfax (C)  
Freese, Bill - Davenport (C)  
Frese, Jeff - Norway (U)  
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Gebhart, Jim - Saydel Des Moines (C)  
Goodman, Connie - Fort Dodge (C)\*  
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Hamilton, Milo - Fairfield (Ct)\*  
Hand, Bill - Hampton (C)  
Hannon, Gene - Bedford (C)\*  
Hansen, Pete - Orange City (U)  
Hanson, Steve - Marshalltown (C)  
Happel, Jim - Atkins (P)  
Happel, Mel - Victor (U)\*  
Harms, Cal - Sumner (U)\*  
Harty, Dave - IHSAA, Boone (Ct)(U)\*  
Hatcher, Chris - Council Bluffs (P)  
Heald, Terry - Marion (C)\*  
Heiderscheit, Pat - Lansing (P)  
Heinz, Wayne - Des Moines (C)\*  
Heller, Rick - Cedar Falls (C)  
Herkelman, Bill - Cedar Rapids (C)\*  
Hill, Wendell - Bettendorf (P)\*  
Hoel, Roger - Waterloo (C)  
Hoeskema, David - Davenport (P)  
Hoeskema, Dick - Davenport (P)  
Holstrom, Bill - Clinton (C)\*  
Hovden, Dan - N. Fayette Valley (C)  
Hoyer, Bret - Cedar Rapids (C)  
Huinker, Art - Peosta (P)

Huisman, Bill - Centerville (P)  
Huppert, Charles "Al" - Panora (U)  
Hutchison, Bernie - Red Oak (C)  
Jagim, Jim - Des Moines (P)  
Jenk Jr., Tom - Dyersville (C)\*  
Jenk Sr., Tom - Dyersville (P)\*  
Jessen, Roy - Council Bluffs (C)\*  
Johnson, Joel - Knoxville (C)  
Josephson, Duane - New Hampton (P)\*  
Katz, Phil - Linn-Mar (C)  
Keitel, Paul - DeWitt (U)  
Kenney, Joe - Cedar Rapids (C)\*  
Kimm, Bruce - Norway (P)  
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Menke, Denis - Bancroft (P)  
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Meyer, Vince - Bancroft (C)\*  
Middleton, Dave - North Polk (C)  
Milledge, Larry - Chariton (C)  
Miller, "Hap" - Indianola (C)\*  
Miller, Don - Dubuque (C)  
Miller, Robert - Rock Valley (C)  
Mills, John - Des Moines (U)  
Mohr, Steve - WDM Valley (C)



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 Olejniczak, Lon – Decorah (P)  
 O'Neill, Tim – Des Moines (C)  
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 Patterson, Jerry - Fort Dodge (Ct)\*  
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 Peters, Kip – Lansing (P)  
 Petersen, Ev - Cedar Rapids (U)  
 Peterson, Ham - Luther (C)\*  
 Peterson, Lanny - Cedar Rapids (U)\*  
 Peterson, Larry - Sioux Rapids (U)  
 Petrezelka, Ray - Cedar Rapids (P)\*  
 Pickart, Jeff - Norway (Ct)\*  
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 Primrose, H. "Pinky" - Cedar Rapids (C)  
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 Schieffer, Harley - Clarinda (C)  
 Schmickley, Harold - Boone (Ct)\*  
 Schnack, Lefty - Muscatine (C)\*  
 Scholten, Jim - Morningside (C)  
 Schreiber, Ken - C.B. St. Albert (C)  
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 Thomson, Lowell - Mason City (C)\*  
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 Tvrdik, Frank - Cedar Rapids (Ct)\*  
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 Varner, Bill - Decorah (P)  
 Vincent, Tom - Council Bluffs (C)  
 Vogel, Otto - Univ. of Iowa (C)\*  
 Vrbicek, Bob - Cedar Rapids (U)\*  
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 Watson, Bob - Des Moines (C)\*  
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 Welter, Dave - Cedar Falls (C)  
 Wengert, Don - Sioux City (P)  
 Westphal, Steve - Lenox (C)  
 Whitford, "Mon" - U.N.I. (C)\*  
 Wieland, William - Carroll Kuemper (C)  
 Wierda, Martin - Sioux Rapids (U)  
 Williams, Don "Spin" - Davenport (P)  
 Wolever, Charles - Council Bluffs (C)  
 Wuebker, William - Granville (C)  
 Yacinich, Lou - Des Moines (C)  
 Zahn, John - Webster City (C)  
 Zieser, "Buzz" - Center Point (P)\*  
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# Six are selected to enter the IHSBCA Hall of Fame

This year, the IHSBCA Hall of Fame Class of 2019 will induct two coaches, two players, one contributor and one umpire. This year's inductee's are: Jay Ryan (Coach) from Davenport, Rod Unger (Coach) from Missouri Valley, Steve Fink (Player) from Kee Lansing, Bill Sandry (Player) from Davenport, Lyle Gibson (Contributor) from Burlington, and Joe Nelson (Umpire) from Des Moines. The Hall of Fame class of 2019 will be inducted during the IHSBCA Awards Banquet on Saturday, January 19, 2019, in Cedar Rapids. They will join the 277 previously inducted Hall of Fame members.

**Jay Ryan (Coach)** – The love of baseball came early in life for this Minnesota native growing up in Twins country. Jay found himself coaching youth Park and Rec teams at the age of 15. He coached players that were not old enough for a Little League team or players that did not make a roster for one of the Little League teams. Jay graduated from Rochester Mayo High School in 1975 where he was a two-year varsity starter. He played second base, catcher, and outfield. He earned All-Conference honors his senior season. Jay also played American Legion Baseball for three years. Jay attended the University of Wisconsin in LaCrosse. During that freshman year in college, Jay would return home to Rochester to begin his coaching career as an assistant for his old Legion team. That team would qualify for the Minnesota State Legion Tournament for the first time in the team's history. Jay would take over the head coaching duties for the next four years where his Legion team won 110 games with only 36 losses, finishing as high as 3<sup>rd</sup> in the legion state tournament. Jay moved on to bigger and better things and found himself teaching and coaching at Davenport Central. He would spend 4 years as the sophomore assistant coach, then 12 years as the head sophomore coach, and finished his coaching career as the varsity head coach for 19 years. During his varsity tenure, Jay won 383 games, 3 conference titles, four state tournament appearances with one runner-up finish and 2 semi-final round finishes. Jay also coached 8<sup>th</sup> grade football. Jay was instrumental in fundraising \$9,000 for a new irrigation system at Brady Field. He also organized a spring league for schools in the area that allowed kids to play at no charge. Jay has been heavily involved within the organization. He has served on and chaired several committees, worked through the officer chairs and finished as the association president, served on the board of directors, currently he oversees the All-Academic Award process and helps with the All-Star Series and clinic operations. Jay was named MAC Coach of the Year twice and named SE District Coach of the Year 7 times.

**Rod Unger (Coach)** - Rod began his high school coaching career at Missouri Valley High School in 1975, hired as an Industrial Arts teacher and ran the youth and Legion

programs. He moved to the assistant varsity position in 1986, and became the head varsity coach in 1990. Rod played his high school baseball at West Harrison High School, where he was a four year starter in the outfield. Rod attended Wayne State College, lettering for three years in track and field. Rod threw the javelin on the track team. During his 43 year career at Missouri Valley, Rod has won 15 conference titles, over 16 conference tournament titles and ending his career with 469 wins. Rod was very active with the youth programs in his community, hosting camps for the little leagues and youth coaches. He encouraged his athletes to continue baseball at the collegiate level. He would take many of his players to college camps in the surrounding area to improve their skills and knowledge of the game. Rod is a 42-year member of the coaches association. He has served on many committees, has coached in the All-Star Series, and is a member of the 400 win club. Coach Unger is a man of extraordinary character and a tremendous ambassador to our game.

**Steve Fink (Player)** – Steve played his high school baseball at Kee High Lansing. He left quite a legacy behind after his playing days ended upon high school graduation. He holds many school and state level records. Steve ended his high school career with a 47-9 record, a 0.70 ERA, with 661 strikeouts. He allowed only 152 hits in 366 innings pitched. Steve ranks in the top 15 all-time in career wins with 47. Ranks 6<sup>th</sup> all-time with 661 strikeouts, and 5<sup>th</sup> all-time in ERA at 0.70, and struck out 15 batters in the 1973 Championship game, which he was the winning pitcher, winning a state title. Steve went on to play at Luther College, where he again dominated the competition. He pitched a complete game and was the winning pitcher against the University of Iowa. Steve finished his college career at Luther in the top 5 in ERA, the all-time leader in career strikeouts, 4<sup>th</sup> all-time in wins, and 3<sup>rd</sup> all-time in complete games. After his college days where over, Steve spent time coaching with the Hall of Fame legend Jim Van Scoyoc at Norway. He was instrumental in helping Norway win many state titles. Oh and by the way, Steve wasn't a bad offensive baseball player either. He hit .360 for his career with 119 RBI and 5 homeruns.

**Bill Sandry (Player)** – Bill played his high school baseball at Davenport Central High School. Bill played varsity for 3 years at first base. Bill was selected 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-State his senior season. He finished the season leading the team in batting average, homeruns, and RBI's. He played on a team that had 5 players eventually play professional baseball. Two of those teammates are in the Hall of Fame: Dave Hoeksema and Tom Mullen. His senior year team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> at the state tournament. Bill played for Hall of Fame

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coaches Bill Freese and Jack Leabo. After high school, Bill went on to play at Muscatine Community College. He hit .388 with 19 homeruns and 72 RBI's his sophomore year at Muscatine. He was selected as an All-Region JUCO player. A highlight that year was hitting 2 grand slams in one inning against Kirkwood CC. His dream came true after his sophomore season at Muscatine when he accepted a full scholarship to the University of Kentucky. He was selected to the First Team All-Southeastern Conference (SEC) Team. He set the SEC record with 24 doubles in a season. And he broke the school record for hits in a season. He led the team in homeruns and RBI's, and he also tied a NCAA D1 record with four homeruns in a game. He was voted Team Captain his senior season. His next step came in 1982 when he was drafted by the Chicago White Sox in the 23<sup>rd</sup> round. He played two seasons with the White Sox and one season with the Chicago Cubs organization, playing for the Quad City Cubs. He had a career batting average of .295 in the minor leagues. Bill now coaches high school baseball at Pleasant Valley High School, sharing his baseball knowledge. Bill works as a financial advisor for Merrill Lynch.

**Lyle Gibson (Contributor)** - Lyle is a 1971 graduate of Burlington High School. He played 3 years at the varsity level, playing second base. His senior year team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> at the state tournament. Lyle holds a state record with 3 triples in a game, 2 triples in one inning. He played his college baseball at Mankato State, Parsons College. And Monmouth College. In his freshman year at Mankato State, Lyle hit .500 and committed no errors while playing second base. Lyle's baseball influence goes well beyond his playing days from high school and college. Lyle coached high school baseball for 17 years at Burlington High School and 4 years at Burlington Notre Dame High School, with most of those years being an unpaid assistant coach. He coached little league for 10 years, and was a committee member for the 1999 Babe Ruth 16-year old World Series. Lyle provided private hitting instruction for 35 years. Lyle did coach tennis at Burlington High School for 10 years and was named Conference Coach of the Year in 1986. He continued to play baseball in his adult life winning two 50 and over National Championships and three 60 and over National Championships. Lyle was named 3 time MVP. Lyle has been very involved within his community during his career. Here are a few of his community involvements, which includes: United Way Vice Chairman for 21 years, Chairman for local March of Dimes for 2 years, YMCA Board of Directors for 6 years, Co-Chair of the committee to build the new

Burlington High School track, President of the Burlington Invitational Industrial Games for 5 years, Co-founder of the Great River Bridge Run and Course Director, Race Director of Juvenile Diabetes 5K Run, the YMCA 5K Run, and the 5K Run for the Homeless Shelter. Along with the Director for the American Heart Association Walk. Lyle is an advocate for Parkinson's disease, speaking in over 30 midwestern cities about the importance of exercise to increase the quality of life for those with the disease. Lyle is also an author of a "Best Selling Book" – "A Lifetime in Motion: Lessons Learned from a Student of the Game(s)". His book reached #26 on Amazon's hot 100 list and #9 on Amazon's Kindle rankings. Lyle's book has promoted a screen play that is being written about his life, including all his baseball successes. Not bad for a guy who also ran in 16 marathons, logging in over 80,000 miles over a 28-year span.

**Joe Nelson (Umpire)** – Joe is a longtime umpire from Des Moines. He has been umpiring for over 29 years. Joe umpires in central Iowa where he covers 4 different baseball conferences. Those include the Raccoon River, Heart of Iowa, Pride of Iowa, and the West Central Conference. Joe has also umpired at the college level in the Iowa Conference, the Big 10 Conference, and the Missouri Valley Conference. Joe has also umpired at the professional level in the Pacific Coast League. Joe has umpired in the IHSAA District tournament for over 22 years, the sub-state tournament for over 22 years, and has umpired in the state baseball tournament for over 20 years. Joe has been an active 25-year member of the association, umpiring in many of our annual August All-Star Series. Joe has been selected and honored 8 times as District Umpire of the Year. Joe is very instrumental in encouraging young people to get involved in umpiring. His colleagues mention that Joe is very professional on the field, a very positive influence, and his leadership is defined by a willingness to serve others. It has been said that Joe isn't in this profession for the money, but rather to be involved with young athletes and to observe their skills and growth within the sport of baseball over their competing years. Joe is currently the athletic director at Johnston High School.





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# **Class 1A District Coach of the Year Nominations**

## **Central District**

### ***Craig Dueker – Ankeny Christian Academy***

Coach Dueker led his team to a 16-8 record and a 2<sup>nd</sup> place conference finish. He has been a member of the association for 1 year. He is assisted by Jon Goergen.

### ***Lance Thompson – West Fork***

Coach Thompson led his team to a 18-10 record. He is a member of the 200 win club and has been a member of the IHSBCA for 17 years. His assistant is Jarrod Littlejohn.

### ***Jim Janovick – Madrid***

Coach Janovick led his team to a 14-10 record. He has been an association member for 45 years. He is assisted by Bill Dean.

## **Northeast District**

### ***Travis Griffith – North Linn***

Coach Griffith led his team to a 36-3 record and a trip to the state tournament. He is a member of the 300 win club, and 15-year longevity member. He is assisted by Jonny Williams.

### ***Alex Bohl – Mason City Newman***

Coach Bohl led Newman to a 40-1 record, another Top of Iowa conference title, and another state title. He has been a member for 10 years and is a member of the 100 win club.

### ***Travis Bennett – Lisbon***

Coach Bennett led his team to a 36-1 record, a conference title and a trip to the state tournament, losing to Newman in the finals. He is assisted by John Tesensky.

## **Southwest District**

### ***Max Kozeal – Tri-Center***

Coach Kozeal led his team to a 21-3 record, a conference title, and a trip to the state tournament. He has been a member of the association for 2 years. He is assisted by Travis McGee.

### ***Jon Fitzpatrick – Martensdale, St. Mary's***

Coach Fitzpatrick led his team to a 32-6 record, a conference title, and a trip to the state tournament. He is the chair of the All-District committee. He is a member of the 200 win club and a 10-year member of the association. He is assisted by Trent Dooley.

### ***Duncan Patterson – St. Albert***

Coach Patterson led his team to a 31-10 record and a trip to the state tournament. He has been a member for 4 years. He is assisted by Bobby Reisz.

## **Southeast District**

### ***Brad Helmerson – New London***

Coach Helmerson led his team to a season record of 20-2 and a conference title. He has been a member of the association for 10 years. He is assisted by Mark McSorley.

### ***Wesley Warwick – H-L-V***

Coach Warwick led his team to a 18-6 record. He has been an IHSBCA member for 1 year. He is assisted by Kyle Henstorf.

### ***Micheal Bruns – Calamus-Wheatland***

Coach Bruns led his team to a season record of 20-14. He has been a member for 3 years and has 91 career wins. He is assisted by Matt Boeckmann.

## **Northwest District**

### ***Gordy Johnson – Akron-Westfield***

Coach Johnson led his team to a 20-6 season record. Gordy has been a member of IHSBCA for 13 years. His assistant coach is Jim Frankl.

### ***Dean Harpenau/Jim Wesselmann – Remsen St. Mary's***

Both coaches led their team to a 27-4 record, a conference title, and a trip back to the state tournament. Dean is a member of the 300 win club while Jim is a member of the 600 win club. Both have been members for over 25 years. They are assisted by Tyler Delpendaug.

### ***Ryan Denney – Lawton-Bronson***

Coach Denney led his team to a 13-10 season record and a conference title. He has been a member of the IHSBCA for 5 years. He is assisted by Brian Smith.

# **Class 2A District Coach of the Year Nominations**

## **Central District**

### **Mike Kennedy – Van Meter**

Coach Kennedy led his team to a 26-8 season record and a trip to the state tournament. His team won the WCAC Conference. He has been a member of the association for 5 years. He is assisted by Eben Baumhover.

### **Dick Smith – Ogden**

Coach Smith led his team to a 22-5 season record. Coach Smith has been a coach and a member of the association for 38 years with over 600 career wins. His assistant coach is Chad Reutter.

### **Jerod Brown – West Marshall**

Coach Brown led his team to a 19-13 season record and a conference title. Jerod is a member of the 100 win club and has been a member for 10 years. He is assisted by Erik Eckhardt.

## **Northeast District**

### **Roamn Hummel – Cascade**

Coach Hummel led his team to a 31-5 season record. He has been a member of the association for 9 years. He is assisted by E. DeSousa.

### **Cory McDonald – New Hampton**

Coach McDonald led his team to the Northeast Iowa Conference title, with a 26-5 overall season record. Coach McDonald has been a member of the association for 22 years. He is a new member of the 300 win club. He is assisted by Nick Hemann.

### **Dustin Rewerts – Denver**

Coach Rewerts led his team to a season record of 18-14 and a trip to the state tournament. He has been a member of the association for 5 years. He is assisted by Sam Broome.

## **Northwest District**

### **Ryan Burkhart – Alta-Aurelia**

Coach Burkhart led his team to a season record of 19-4, a conference title, and a trip to the state tournament. He is named the Twin Lakes Conference Coach of the Year this summer. He has been a member for 8 years. He is assisted by Tom Ryherd.

### **Lee Evans – Estherville-LC**

Coach Evans finished the season with a 22-3 record, a conference title, and a trip to the state tournament. He has been a member of the association for 15 years. He is assisted by Matt Gruhlke.

### **Koury Kramer – West Lyon**

Coach Kramer led his team to a season record of 27-1 and a conference title. He has been a member for 10 years. He coached in the All-Star Series this past summer.

## **Southwest District**

### **Sheldon Card – Pleasantville**

Coach Card led his team to a season record of 23-11, and a conference title. He has been a member for 18 years and serves on numerous committees. He has over 300 career wins. He is assisted by Heath DeForest.

### **Bob Mantell – Treynor**

Coach Mantell finished the season with a 19-14 record and a trip to the state tournament. He has been a member for 13 years and is a member of the 200 win club. He is assisted by Nolan Mantell.

### **Andy Van Fossan – Underwood**

Coach VanFossan led his team to a 18-5 season record. He has been a member for 20 years. He is a member of the 200 win club. He is assisted by Brad Blum.

## **Southeast District**

### **Ryan Hodges – Centerville**

Coach Hodges led his team to a season record of 21-7 and a Class 2A State title. He has been a member for 10 years. His assistant is Tony Endress and Hunter Cowan.

### **Jeff Pacha – IC Regina**

Coach Pacha led his team to a 27-8 season record, a conference title, and a trip to the state tournament. Jeff has been a member of the association for 4 years. His assistant is Steve Pacha.

### **Jake Souhrada – Wilton**

Coach Souhrada led his team to a 24-5 season record and a trip to the state tournament. He has been a member for 21 years. He is a member of the 500 win club. He is assisted by Ed Sawvell.



# Class 3A District Coach of the Year Nominations

## Central District

### ***Brad Hamilton – Bondurant-Farrar***

Coach Hamilton took his team to the Class 3A State Tournament with a 17-16 overall record. Brad is a member of the 300 win club and 26-year member. He is assisted by Ken Burgess.

### ***Matt Miller – Knoxville***

Coach Miller led his team to the state tournament with a 30-11 record and a conference championship. He has been a member of the IHSBCA for 5 years. He is assisted by Steve Mott.

### ***Charlie Eastlund - Boone***

Coach Eastlund led his team to a season record of 24-8 and a trip to the state tournament. He is assisted by Chris Kollbaum.

## Northeast District

### ***Nate Lahr – West Delaware***

Coach Lahr led his team to a 25-10 season record. He has been a member of the IHSBCA for 8 years. His assistant coach is Kevin Werner.

### ***Casey Klunder – Waverly-Shell Rock***

Coach Klunder led his team to a record of 33-7, a conference title, and a trip to the state tournament. Casey has been a member for 15 years. He is a member of the 300 win club. He is assisted by Jared Pirkel and Travis Angell.

### ***Dan Halter – CR Xavier***

Coach Halter led his team to a 30-9 season record and a conference title. He is a 3-year member of the association. He is assisted by Terry McGinn.

## Southeast District

### ***Billy Argo – Davenport Assumption***

Coach Argo led his team to a season record of 28-10, a 2<sup>nd</sup> place conference finish, and back-to-back state titles. He is a 500 win club member and has been a member for 18 years. He is assisted by Greg Thissen and Chris Dillie.

### ***Keith McSweeney – Solon***

Coach McSweeney led his team to a 32-10 record and a trip to the state tournament. He has been a member of the association for 18

years and is in the 400 win club. He is assisted by Todd Linderbaum and Tim Walker.

### ***Josh Allison – Fairfield***

Coach Allison led his team to a season record of 28-8 and a conference title. He is a member of the 300 win club. He has been a member of the association for 20 years. He is assisted by Jeff Eeling.

## Northwest District

### ***Matt Nelson – Sergeant Bluff-Luton***

Coach Nelson led his team to a 26-13 season record. Matt has been a member for 11 years. His assistant is Wes Onken.

### ***Ben Seaman – Storm Lake***

Coach Seaman led his team to a 18-7 season record. Ben has been a member of the association for 2 years. His assistant coach is Heath Stille.

### ***Andy Osborne – Bishop Heelan***

Coach Osborne led his team to a 31-10 season record and a trip to the state tournament. He has coached in the All-Star Series and is a 300 win club member. He is a 14-year member of the association. Brian is assisted by Ben Taylor and Joe Rozmiarek.

## Southwest District

### ***Steve Daeges – Harlan***

Coach Daeges finished the season with a 33-4 record, a conference title, and a runner-up finish at the state tournament. Steve is a member of the 500 win club. He has been a member for 25 years and is a member of the HOF. He is assisted by Joe Heese and Mark VandeBerg.

### ***Blake Heitmeier – Carlisle***

Coach Heitmeier had a season record of 31-7, a conference title, and a trip to the state tournament. He has been a member of the association for 4 years. His assistant is Tracey Mikesell.

### ***Don Lyons – Denison***

Coach Lyons finished the season with a 17-19 record. He has been a member for 35 years with 677 wins. Don retired from coaching after this past summer. He was assisted by Ryne Young.

# Class 4A District Coach of the Year Nominations

## Central District (South)

### ***Casey Aldridge – Indianola***

Coach Aldridge led his team to a 34-3 record and a Pride of Iowa Conference Championship. Casey has been a member of the association for 16 years. Casey is assisted by Brian Baker.

### ***John Jaeger – Ottumwa***

Coach Jaeger led his team to a 24-15 season record and a CIML Metro Division Conference title. He has been a member with the association for 6 years. He is assisted by Luke Goemaat.

### ***Mark Roering – WDM Dowling***

Coach Roering led his team to a 28-11 season record. He is a member of the 100 win club and a member of the association for 7 years. He is assisted by Darrell Einertson

## Central District (North)

### ***Steve Hanson – Marshalltown***

Coach Hanson led his team to a season record of 19-18 and a trip to the State Tournament. Steve has been a long-time member of the association for the past 39 years. He is also a member of the 500 win club. He is assisted by Jake Borton.

### ***Ryan Cooley – WDM Valley***

Coach Cooley led his team to a season record of 26-15 and a trip to the state tournament. He has been a member of the association for 27 years with over 300 career wins. He is assisted by Garrett Hawkins.

### ***Jeremy Heinen – Urbandale***

Coach Heinen finished the season with a 36-6 record and a trip to the state tournament, winning the 4A state title. He has been a member of the association for 20 years. He is assisted by Chad Barnes.

## West District

### ***Kevin Dicus – Sioux City East***

Coach Dicus led his team to a 23-13 season record and a conference title. Coach Dicus is a long time member of the association, 20 plus years. He is assisted by Trevor Miller.

## Southeast District

### ***Chris Cartee – Davenport Central***

Coach Cartee led his team to a season record of 25-10. He has been a member of the association for 13 years. He is also member of the 100 win club. He is assisted by Colin Gisel and Bill Kranz.

### ***Cory Wachal – Davenport North***

Coach Wachal led his team to a season record of 17-17. Kevin has been a member of the association for 17 years. He is assisted by Shawn Hanna.

### ***Travis Ralfs/Brad Ward – North Scott***

Coach Ralfs and Ward led their team to a 28-10 season record, a conference title, and a trip to the state tournament. Brad has been an 16 year member of the association. They are assisted by Kent Denison.

## Northeast District

### ***Scott Brune – Cedar Rapids Washington***

Coach Brune led his team to a 27-18 record and a trip to the state tournament. He is a 5-year member of the association. He is assisted by Kelly O'Rourke and Austin Christensen.

### ***Jeff Rapp – Dubuque Hempstead***

Coach Rapp led his team to a 19-14 season record. He has been a member of the association for 12 years. He is assisted by Matt Cooksley.

### ***Casey Bryant – Western Dubuque***

Coach Bryant led his team to a season record of 30-9, a WAMAC Conference title and a trip to the state tournament. Coach Bryant has been a member of the association for the past 19 years. He is a member of the 400 win club. He is assisted by Paul Goodman.



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# Assistant Coach of the Year Nominations

## Northeast District

### West District

#### ***Jim Heithoff – Winterset***

Jim has been an assistant for Coach Nedved for 6 years. He works with the outfielders, throws and coaches batting practice, and helps in planning practices and CWS trips. Coach Heithoff is an excellent communicator. He spends countless hours putting kids in a position to be successful.

#### ***Brad Blum – Underwood***

Brad has been an assistant for Coach Andy VanFossan for the past 5 years. Brad also has varsity experience. He coaches the infield and works with hitting. Brad has been a member of the association for 5 years. Brad is a very dedicated coach, always there to provide extra drill work.

#### ***Trevor Miller – Sioux City East***

Trevor has been involved with the East baseball program for 3 years as a coach. He works with the infield, calls the defensive signals and coaches 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> base. Trevor loves the game and is dedicated to making Black Raider Baseball the best.

## Central District

#### ***Ryan Titman – Boone***

Ryan has been an assistant for Coach Eastlund for the past 6 years. He is the head JV coach. He also works with the varsity infield, throwing bp, and baserunning. Ryan has been a member of the association for 5 years. He has a great attitude, keeps the players up during games and has an unbelievable work ethic.

#### ***Chris Kollbaum – North Polk***

Chris has been an assistant for Dave Middleton for the past 9 years. Chris is the head 9<sup>th</sup> grade coach and assistant JV coach. He works primarily with infield and hitting. Chris has been a member of the association for over 11 years. He is a very popular and respected coach by all players and parents.

#### ***Brian Baker – Indianola***

Brian has been an assistant for Coach Aldridge for 11 years. Brian works with catchers, hitting, and field maintenance. He is very good with practice planning and organization.

#### ***Kevin Werner – West Delaware***

Kevin has been an assistant for Coach Nate Lahr for 5 years. Kevin has been coaching for over 20 years. He works the offensive side, coaches 1<sup>st</sup> base, and is the head sophomore coach. Kevin's knowledge and passion for baseball helps drive what we do every day. Kevin has been a member of the association for 20 plus years. Kevin builds strong relationships with players.

#### ***Travis Angell – Waverly-Shell Rock***

Travis has been an assistant for Coach Casey Klunder for the past 7 years. He works with the hitters and outfielders. He helps develop pitchers in the offseason. He loves coaching kids. Travis is the head JV coach. Travis has been a member of the association for 7 years.

#### ***Bryan Mayer – St. Ansgar***

Bryan has been an assistant for Coach Devin Schwiesow for 16 years. He works with the catchers, calls pitches on varsity, and is the head JV coach. He also spends countless hours maintaining the baseball field. Bryan has been a member of the association for 16 years.

## Southeast District

#### ***TJ Rausch – Washington***

TJ finished his first year at Washington HS as an assistant for Coach Nathan Miller. TJ has been coaching for 4 years overall. TJ works with hitting and the infielders. He is a tremendous leader, helps improve the culture, and has a great work ethic. He is an outstanding young coach.

#### ***Colin Gisel – Davenport Central***

Colin has been an assistant for Coach Chris Cartee for the past 2 years. He is responsible for hitting, coaches 3rd base, works with infielders, and is the offensive coordinator. He is extremely passionate about kids and baseball. Colin spends countless hours working on the field. Colin brings a positive attitude and a high baseball IQ with him to the ballpark every day.

#### ***Steve Pacha – Iowa City Regina***

Steve has been an assistant for Coach Jeff Pacha for 4 years. He is the varsity 1<sup>st</sup> base and pitching coach. He throws BP, prepares the pitching mound, and works the arm strength and development plus injury prevention program. Steve has been a member of the association for 3 years.



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# College Coaches of the Year Nominations

## 2 Year College Coaches:

**Justin Schulte (Southeastern CC)** - just completed his 19th year overall as a head coach and 12th season at Southeastern. The Blackhawks turned in their fourth straight 40 win season with a 43-19 record. The Blackhawks made a run to the Regional Championship losing a tough 11-8 game. The 43 wins in 2017 pushed Schulte's win total to 473 in 12 seasons, the most successful 12-year run in the program history. This season also adds to Coach Schulte's career win total eclipsing the 749 wins in 19 seasons as a collegiate head coach. The Blackhawks spent all of the season ranked in the top 25 nationally. The 2017 Blackhawks included 1st team All-American Luis Vargas as well as ICCAC Reliever of the Year Trace Hoffman. Oswaldo Calderon and Braeden Brown also joined Vargas and Hoffman as First Team All-Region XI members. Zeb Adreon and Sam Noel also received 2nd Team All-Region honors.

**Todd Rima (Kirkwood CC)** - is in his seventh season as the head coach of the Kirkwood Eagles baseball program. Rima has over 500 career wins and has led the Eagles to a 203-114 record in six seasons. Last year's team finished with an overall record of 42-17 which also included a regional tournament championship and a trip to the NJCAA World Series. Last season, the Eagles landed eight players on the All-Region team, led by First Team recipients Taylor Jackson and Izaya Fullard. Fullard was also honored as a First Team All-American. The Eagles also took great pride in the classroom and had 4 Academic All-Americans.

**Marc Rardin (Iowa Western CC)** - begins his 17th season as head baseball coach at Iowa Western Community College. While leading the tradition rich Reiver baseball program, Coach Rardin's teams have rewritten the record books in every facet of the program. In addition, the Reivers have made NJCAA Division I baseball history by being the first Northern District team to win the World Series in 2010 in Grand Junction, Colo., and then repeating that historic act again in 2012 and 2014. Along with winning the national title, the 2010 Reiver baseball team also lead the country in hitting with a .398 team batting average. The team also proved to be champions in the classroom, earning NJCAA Spring Male Scholar Team of the Year honors. The 2011 team nearly duplicated the 2010, 2012 and 2014 championship feats by finishing just one game away from landing in the championship game. Rardin's young 2011 squad, with 21 freshmen on the roster, came home with a third-place finish at the national tournament. Rardin's Reivers have participated in 11 Junior College World Series tournaments, brought home three national championships, and won 13 Regional titles and 11 Northern District titles.

## 4 Year College Coaches:

**Paul Wyczawski (University of Dubuque)** - (pronounced Why-Chow-Skee), the 17th coach in school history. He joins a program which has over 38 All-Iowa Conference selections and 10 All-Region performers in the past 16 seasons, including one All-American and a Golden Glove recipient. UD placed second in the IIAC in 2017 and he earned Coach of the Year honors for his work. In 2018, UD returned to their winning form by claiming the IIAC title and tournament title. Wyczawski earned his 2nd consecutive Coach of the Year honors and helped his squad advance to the NCAA Division III National Championship Midwest Regional and placed third and ended with a 26-17 overall record and 32 school records in the process.

**Brian Wede (Northwestern College)** - The 2019 season will mark Wede's 13th as the head coach. Wede's teams have won 346 games and 7 conference titles. His teams have also been very strong in the postseason, winning 36 postseason games. Wede, the winningest coach in the history of the program, was named the GPAC Coach of the Year in 2018. Wede is also very respected across the country; serving for 4-years as the Chairman of the NAIA Baseball Rules Committee and representing the GPAC as the baseball coaches chair and the national rater. He is currently the President of the NAIA baseball coaches executive committee. Wede has coached eight All-Americans at Northwestern, 26-1st Team All-GPAC players, 33-2nd Team All-GPAC players, 12 Gold Glove winners, two GPAC Pitchers of the Year, two GPAC Players of the Year, 53 All-GPAC honorable mentions, 27 NAIA Scholar Athletes and two Capital One Academic All-Americans.

**Dan Spain (Clarke University)** -, the Clarke baseball program accomplished another record breaking season, its fourth in five years under Spain, posting a 46-14 overall record, establishing itself as not only one of the top NAIA programs in the Midwest, but also in being recognized on a national level, ranked as high as No. 6 in the NAIA Baseball Coaches Poll. The 2017 team also accomplished its first regular season conference championship in its first season joining the Heart of America Athletic Conference going, 26-6 in conference play, earning an automatic berth in the NAIA National Championship Opening Round Tournament for the second straight season and a No. 1 seed in the Hutchinson bracket. Clarke was recognized with individual accolades based on the success of the season including eight all-conference performers. Spain was also named the 2017 Heart of America Athletic Conference baseball Coach of the Year, as well as becoming the winningest coach in Clarke baseball history.



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# ***Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association***

**Coaches Clinic – January 18-19, 2019 – Cedar Rapids**

**Marriott Hotel Reservations: Go to the website to reserve rooms for the clinic**

## **Registration Information:**

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2018 Team Record \_\_\_\_\_ Career Varsity Coaching Record \_\_\_\_\_

District: NE SE NC SC C NW SW W Class: 4A 3A 2A 1A

## **2019 Clinic Fees:**

Membership..... \$30 \_\_\_\_\_

*(must be member to attend - membership years runs Sept. 1, 2018 thru Aug. 31, 2019)*

Clinic registration for weekend..... \$85 \_\_\_\_\_

*(includes FCA Breakfast, Sat. Lunch, Awards Banquet)*

Clinic registration for one day..... \$45 \_\_\_\_\_

Awards Banquet ticket..... \$30 \_\_\_\_\_

High School student attending clinic..... \$30 \_\_\_\_\_

Late registration/at-door fee..... \$10 \_\_\_\_\_

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# ***Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association***

Fall Meeting – Sheraton Hotel, West Des Moines

November 4, 2018

In attendance: Casey Klunder (Waverly-Shell Rock), Steve Fish (Marion), Matt Nelson (Sgt. Bluff-Luton), Ryan Berg (St. Mary's), Dave Dirkx (Waukee), Chris Miller (Des Moines), Joshua Baxter (Carlisle), Nathan Miller (Washington), Bob Mantell (Treyner), Steve Shantz (Greenfield), Jay Ryan, Gary Nyhus, Dennis Barton, Roger Hoel, Mark Hey, Devin Schwiesow, Phil Katz, Rick Admire, Dave Middleton, Mike Botts, Ethan Miller, Lee Toole, John Waddle, Dave Rock, Tom Souhrada, Charlie Stumpff, Jon Fitzpatrick, Paul Keitel

## **Order of Business**

### **1. Report from President**

- a. Admire called meeting called to order at 1:08 pm
- b. Minutes presented by Secretary, Discussion and acceptance
  - i. Motion Rock, 2nd by Souhrada. Minutes accepted.

### **2. Financial Report by Executive Director**

- a. Financial Report
  - i. Net worth of IHSBCA at \$39,040.51
  - ii. Adjustments being made with hotels and packages due to hotel costs
  - iii. Positive profit from Clinic and Junior Showcase, Negative profit from All-Star Series due to rental costs from the University of Iowa
- b. Discussion
  - i. Concern of no-shows at banquet which affects food costs and ordering
  - ii. Motion by Gary Nyhus, 2nd by John Waddle. Financial report accepted.

### **3. Report of Officers and Committees**

#### **a. Iowa Athletic Council Report – Jared Chizek & Lee Toole**

- i. Ad Hoc Committee background
  1. Administrators presented to each of the four governing bodies (Boys Association-IHSAA, Girls Union-IGHSAU, Music Association-IHSMA, Speech Association-IHSSA) about developing a calendar to build in a break for students and families
  2. Task Force created in different regions across Iowa to create recommendations
  3. Four boards (IHSAA, IGHSAU, IHSMA, IHSSA) took recommendations and placed it in a calendar as a proposal and shared at state athletic director meetings in Fall 2018
  4. Proposed dead week Sunday, July 24 to Sunday, July 31. Resume activities August 1.
- ii. Calendar
  1. Merely a proposal that can develop greater discussion
  2. Still accepting suggestions and want to be as open/transparent as possible
  3. June 2019 to create final proposal with implementation in 2021-2022 school year
- iii. Baseball-specific
  1. State tournament moved up one week to be aligned with state softball
  2. Practice starts the same time on the athletic calendar but competition date moved up one week which is the same as state track
  3. Postseason schedule to help 1A schools to where they can bring back their #1 starter on the opening round of the state tournament
- iv. Discussion
  1. Many coaches in attendance were hearing this information for the first time
  2. 10 hitting days still will remain, as well as, current pitching/catching rules
  3. IHSAA staff is in favor of more contact time with athletes but there are different executives, boards, and governing bodies that need to be convinced
  4. Opening competition week that aligns with state track has been done in the past. Schools/conferences will have to make a decision regarding their schedule
    - a. Average number of games played per class
      - i. 1A – 26 games
      - ii. 2A – 28 games
      - iii. 3A – 36 games
      - iv. 4A – 38 games
  5. Concern of qualifying for state tournament and have one week or more off before the first round game
  6. Discussion on seeding and the system to select
    - a. “Old System” had too many flaws to continue to support



- b. Coaches know best and let them decide
  - c. IHSAA wants the best teams at the state tournament
- b. President's Report – Rick Admire**
  - i. Positive January clinic in celebrating the 50th anniversary
  - ii. Thankful for the opportunity to serve the IHSBCA and to go through the chairs – has been a very rewarding experience
- c. Executive Director's Report (Lee Toole)**
  - i. All-Star Series was great – the staff was phenomenal in helping
    - 1. Carroll in 2019, Cedar Rapids in 2020 – (Mt. Mercy & Kernels fields)
  - ii. Junior Showcase very well run event and large group of kids
  - iii. Future dates
    - 1. Junior Showcase will need to be moved with new unified calendar proposal
    - 2. All Star Series dates will remain in tact moving forward
    - 3. Clinic: Cedar Rapids 2019 & 2020, Des Moines 2021, Cedar Rapids 2022, Des Moines 2023, Cedar Rapids 2024, Des Moines 2025
      - a. Iowa Caucus created a large conflict due to room availability and cost
      - b. New deal with better pricing negotiated for rooms, food, and free AV equipment
  - iv. Have lost a few sponsors due to economy so organization is looking to secure additional funding by larger group
  - v. No date for Iowa Football game due to conflict between ticket office and NCAA
  - vi. Clinic registration form on IHSBCA website in coming week
  - vii. Clinic Speakers: Pat Murphy (Alabama), Spencer Allen (Northwestern), Ed Servais (Creighton), Justin Toole (Indians)
  - viii. Recommendations
    - 1. Bill & Sherry Freese – Devin Schwiesow & Trent Eckstaine
    - 2. President's Award – Dennis Olejniczak
    - 3. Primrose Award – Alan Beste
  - ix. Motion Klunder, 2nd by Hoel. Report accepted.
- d. Hall of Fame Committee Report – Roger Hoel**
  - i. Rodney Unger – Coach – Missouri Valley
  - ii. Jay Ryan – Coach – Davenport Central
  - iii. Bill Sandry – Player – Davenport
  - iv. Steve Fink – Player – Lansing Kee
  - v. Lyle Gibson – Contributor – Burlington
  - vi. Joe Nelson – Umpire – West Des Moines
  - vii. Motion Souhrada, 2nd by Nyhus. Report accepted.
- e. All-District Committee Report – Jon Fitzpatrick**
  - i. Cleaning up the process to run the all-district meetings more smoothly
  - ii. Consistency in taking information electronically from district meeting to all-state meetings
  - iii. Motion Dirkx, 2nd Ryan. Report accepted.
- f. Awards Report – Ryan Stensland (absent), Lee Toole (presenter)**
  - i. MVP's per team of All-Star Series to get commemorative baseball
- g. All-Star Report – Randy Snyder (absent), Lee Toole (presenter)**
  - i. Getting set at Carroll and everything on schedule
- h. Umpires Committee Report - Mike Botts**
  - i. Great clinic for umpires and IHSAA is supportive of efforts to assist umpires in the game and to help grow the game
  - ii. Recommendations to IHSAA
    - 1. Suggesting a 3-person clinic prior to sub-state games to assist
    - 2. Suggestion a 4-person clinic prior to state finals to assist
    - 3. Payments to umpires who work state baseball
      - a. Iowa 48/50 lowest in the nation in pay for state (\$65 per game)
  - iii. Motion Fish, 2nd Miller. Report accepted
- i. Lanny Peterson Academic Award Report – Dave Middleton**
  - i. New process led to more nominations
  - ii. Tony Barreca (North Scott) was recipient
  - iii. Motion Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Miller. Report accepted
- j. IHSBCA/Graphic Edge Player of the Year Report – Rick Admire**
  - i. Brendan Sher, Indianola was recipient
  - ii. Motion Kluner, 2nd Rock. Report accepted
- k. State Rating Poll Committee Report – Mark Hey**
  - i. Ratings poll committee did a great job of gathering information across the state

- ii. 27/32 state tournament teams were in rankings
- iii. Should IHSAA take notice of these rankings in determining teams?
- iv. Motion Nyhus, 2nd Souhrada . Report accepted

**l. Membership Committee Report – Devin Schwiesow**

- i. Membership consistent in 4A & 3A
- ii. Drop in 2A – potentially due to lateness in getting forms in as it gets nearer to clinic
- iii. 1A continues to be a point of emphasis
- iv. Motion Rock, 2nd Keitel. Report accepted

**m. Clinic Survey/Mini Clinic Committee Report – Casey Klunder**

- i. Recommendations from what coaches asked
  - 1. Shawn Schlecter – NIACC
  - 2. Keith McSweeney – Solon
  - 3. Nathan Roling - Simpson
  - 4. Dan Pomeroy – Coach/Umpire Roundtable
  - 5. State Champ Panel
  - 6. 10 Days of Hitting Panel – Dave Dirkx, Steve Fish, Jared Brown, Travis Bennett
- ii. Only 21 responses on electronic evaluation form – looking for ways to create
- iii. YouTube Channel to record mini-clinics and upload to private channel for coaches to view
- iv. Motion Souhrada, 2nd Waddle. Report accepted

**n. IHSAA Advisory Committee Report – Mark Hey & Lee Toole**

- i. Recommendations to IHSAA
  - 1. 3 scrimmages during the year
  - 2. Change pitch count 8th & 9th treated like 10th
  - 3. October 1-December 31 dead week with pitchers & catchers being able to start January 1
- ii. Believe there is a positive working relationship and communication
- iii. Potential for April to open up to additional activities other than hitting
- iv. Motion Souhrada, 2nd Hoel. Report accepted

**o. Junior Showcase Report – Devin Schwiesow**

- i. Thanks to Steve Hanson & Trent Eckstaine for all their help plus coaches who volunteer
- ii. 131 total participants, 32 sophomores - \$100 entry fee
- iii. 54 coaches pre-registered plus 20 paid on site
- iv. Recommendations from college coaches
  - 1. Being done by 2:30
  - 2. Seeing guys play in a scrimmage afterwards
- v. Motion Nyhus, 2nd Dirkx. Report accepted

**p. Communications/PR/History – Steve Hanson (absent), Lee Toole (presenter)**

- i. No necessary report

**4. Communications**

- i. Plenty of thank you notes from players, families, coaches

**5. Old Business**

- a. None to report

**6. New Business**

- a. Select District Coach/Umpire/Asst. Coach/College Coach/Media
- b. Select President, Primrose, and Contributor Award Winners
- c. Approve Hall of Fame nominees
- d. Meeting at January 17, 2019 – Marriott Hotel, Cedar Rapids
  - i. 6:30 pm Steering Committee & 8:30 pm Committee/Chairperson Meeting

**7. Suggestions for the good of the Association**

- a. None to report

**8. Announcements**

- a. None to report

**9. Adjournment to District Meeting**

- a. Motion Hoel, 2nd Keitel. Meeting adjourned 2:48 pm.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Ethan Miller, Central Springs, 3rd Vice-President*



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