



Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association

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SUCCESSFUL CLINIC: The Twenty-Fifth Annual Clinic Convention was very successful. Total attendance was nearly 425 coaches, umpires, players and fans of baseball and softball.

COACHES AND UMPIRE OF YEAR--1992: MEL MURKEN, Ankeny; JIM MURPHY, Davenport Assumption; and EUGENE MEISTER, of Algona Garrigan, and EV PETERSEN, Cedar Rapids, received the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association "Coach and Umpire of the Year Award" at the 25th Annual Awards Banquet. Murken received the Class 4A honor with Murphy taking the Class 3A and Meister taking the Class 1A-2A award. Petersen received the Umpire Award. BOB RANDALL, Iowa State University, received the four-year college Coach-of-the-Year award. RICK MATHEWS, Indian Hills, was the Junior College Coach of the Year. Congratulations to these men.

Enclosed you will find a news release of the other District Coaches and Umpire winners and new directors who were elected. Congratulations to all.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTS SIX NEW MEMBERS: The Coaches Association inducted into its Hall of Fame six more outstanding baseball men. They were: JAMES DENNER--Waverly; BILL HUISMAN--Centerville; GARY PAULSEN--Ogden; DICK SCHULTZ--Humboldt; JOHN WATHAN--Cedar Rapids; LENNY WEIH--Clinton; LOU YACINICH--Des Moines.

Each inductee received a plaque and a certificate. A number of Hall of Fame members returned to enjoy the clinic and banquet and help honor the new members. Congratulations to the new inductees.

CONTRIBUTOR OF YEAR AWARD TO RICHARD "DUKE" LEE: The Coaches Association honored Duke Lee of Cedar Rapids for his contribution to the All-Star Series and the Coaches Association in general. He was a former Norway and University of Iowa baseball player giving back to the game a little bit of what he got out of it. His contributions are very much appreciated.

THE JACK OGDEN/CHUCK BURDICK MEDIA AWARDS:

NORTH EAST DISTRICT: Jack Kilcoyne, Dubuque Radio Station WDBQ

WEST DISTRICT: Larry Peterson, Creston News Advertiser

CENTRAL DISTRICT: David Rabbitt, Boone Radio

SOUTH EAST DISTRICT: None

DISTRICT CONTRIBUTORS RECOGNIZED:

For the third time the Association is recognizing Contributors from the Districts. They were:

NORTH EAST DISTRICT: Rich Knepper, Cascade

SOUTH EAST DISTRICT: Lenox Lumber--Steve John

CENTRAL DISTRICT: Don Powell, Des Moines East

WEST DISTRICT: Merle Breiholz, Burlington

Congratulations to all those who contributed at their local level.

OFFICERS ELECTED: Ed Feyen of Dubuque Wahlert was elected president after going through the chairs. Ed is succeeding Jim Donohue of Martensdale-St. Marys. Vice-President is Fr. Craig Collison, Remsen St. Marys; Treasurer is Phil Lebo, Grundy Center; the newly elected Secretary is Don Taylor, West Branch.

The officers' and directors' addresses and phone numbers are enclosed in this letter.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

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1993 HALL OF FAMERS L-R: Lenny Weih, James Denner, Lou Yacinich, John Wathan, Dick Schulz, Gary Paulsen, Bill Huisman

PRESIDENT'S AWARD TO DICK WAGNER: The Coaches Association honored Dick Wagner, former Athletic Director and baseball coach of Burlington, for his many years of service to high school youth in the State of Iowa. Dick has been instrumental in the Association success and a great promoter of baseball in southeast Iowa.



Dick Wagner receives President Award from Executive Secretary Pinky Primrose

FINANCIAL HELP FROM I.H.S.A.A.: The High School Athletic Association helped on the expenses of the clinic instructional staff for the 20th consecutive year. A thanks goes to the Board of Control, Bernie Saggau, and Dave Harty for their continued support of the Clinic over the past 25 years.

THANKS TO OUR ADVERTISERS: A big thank you to all our advertisers for coming to the clinic and displaying. Those attending this year's clinic were: Eby's Sporting Goods; A.T.E.C.; Pepsi Cola Company; McDonalds; Mickelson Sports, Ames; Jugs; Tennis Service of Iowa; Louisville Slugger; Lou's Sporting Goods, Fremont, NE; Iowa Sports Supply; Strike-Zone, Bloomington, MN.; Norm Industries; Jo-Ro Enterprises, LTD; Sully Mfg. Inc.; True-Pitch of Altoona; Iowa State University, Bob Randall.

McDONALDS SPONSORED FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES BREAKFAST:

Jerry Mrozinski, owner of the McDonalds in Cedar Rapids, has sponsored the breakfast for the past 20 years. This has been one of the highlights of the clinic. Thanks to Jerry and his McDonalds people for their support. Cal Eldred of Urbana was the featured speaker this year. FCA is headed up by Andy McGaffin of Spencer.

PEPSI-COLA, AND THE MIDWEST JANITORIAL SERVICE OF IOWA ALONG WITH I.H.S.B.C.A. ANNOUNCE THE 1993 ALL-STAR SERIES AT COUNCIL BLUFFS/ROSENBLATT STADIUM AUGUST 5-6-7-8, 1993:

The Seventeenth Annual All Star Games will be held in Council Bluffs/Omaha, Aug. 5-6-7-8, 1993. Any coach who feels he has a player or two who should be playing in the All Star Games should fill out the Player Recommendation sheet that is enclosed in this Newsletter. Please enclose a photo of your player (if available) with the recommendation sheet. The guidelines for the All Star selection can be found on this sheet. All of the advance information we can get on the best ball players will help in the selection of the All Stars.

The Board of Directors passed a policy that any player or coach selected to participate in the All Star Series must have a minimum of \$ 125.00 of sponsors' fees. More would help to defray the cost of the All Star Series. It will be the high school coach's responsibility to get the player's sponsors if he wishes him to play in the All Star games. This policy is necessary in order to offset the high cost of putting on the All Star series. If you have any questions about this policy, contact any officer or director in your area; they will explain it to you. Sponsor names and fees must be paid to Executive Secretary no later than Monday, August 2, if your player is selected.



1992 Coaches and Umpire of the Year L-R: Jim Murphy, Gene Meister, Mel Murken, Ev Petersen

ALL-STAR GAMES TO BE TELEVISED: It has been announced by All-Star Chairman Lee Toole, that the Sunday, August 8th All-Star games in Council Bluffs will be televised "LIVE" by Iowa Public Television. The announcement was made by Doug Brooker, Sports Director at Iowa Public Television. This project has been in the works since last fall and hinged on television scheduling of the Shrine Football game in late July and the Iowa State Fair in mid-August. The All-Star Series fell perfectly in between these two events. Due to possible television scheduling conflicts, the Sunday games may be moved up to a 1:00 pm start time rather than the 12:00 noon start time of years past. This possible change will be confirmed at a later date.

This is a great opportunity for our association to represent itself and show the state and surrounding states the caliber of high school baseball that we have in Iowa.

ALL STAR COACHES ANNOUNCED:

The following coaches will coach in the 17th Annual All Star Series.

Large Schools (East) Phil Katz (Linn Mar), Head Coach; Roger Hoel (Waterloo West), Charlie Stumpff (Iowa City West)

Small Schools (West) Ron Anderson (Carlisle), Head Coach; Jeff Scharn (Sioux Central), and John Waddle (Coon Rapids)

Small Schools (East) Kent Johnson (Wapello), Head Coach; Steve Fish (Central City), and Mike Thompson (Sheffield Chapin)

Large Schools (West) Nick Archer (Sioux City Heelan), Head Coach; Rick Sandquist (Fort Dodge)

ALL STAR GAMES SCHEDULE: The players, coaches, umpires and staff will be staying at the Best Western Hotel in Council Bluffs. The Honors Brunch will take place at the Best Western, Saturday morning at 10:30 a.m.

1/ Players will come in Thursday, August 5th. Individual pictures for inclusion in the program will be taken after check in.

2/ Large Schools West will report by 11:00 a.m. Small Schools West will report at 11:15 a.m.

3/ Players from Large Schools East will report at 11:30 noon and players from Small Schools East will report at 11:45 p.m.

4/ Practice for all teams will start at 12:30 --2:30 p.m.

Practice sites: Large East--Lewis Central High Diamond; Large West--City Part (TJ) 21st and "J" Street; Small East--Iowa Western Comm. College Diamond and Small West--St. Albert High Diamond.

5/ First 7-inning games will be at 6:15 p.m., Thursday, Rosenblatt Stadium- Small Schools East vs. Large Schools East, followed by Large Schools West vs. Small Schools West.

6/ Practice for all squads Friday will start at 1:30 p.m..

7/ Second 7-inning games will be at 6:00 p.m. Friday, Rosenblatt Stadium- Small Schools East vs. Large schools West, followed by Large Schools East vs. Small Schools West.

8/ At 10:30 a.m. Saturday, the Honors Brunch will be held at the Best Western Hotel in Council Bluffs.

9/ Saturday night games will begin at 6:00 p.m., Rosenblatt Stadium--Small Schools West vs. Small Schools West followed by Large Schools East vs. Large Schools West

10/ Meals will be served at the Best Western Hotel and Church services will be provided at Hotel.

12/ Sunday at 11:00 a.m. the two teams with poorest records will play for 3rd and 4th place.

13/ The two teams with best records will play for 1st and 2nd place following the first game.

14/ M.V.P. players will be announced after each game on Sunday.

WHAT ARE SOME OF THE RULES:

1/ All players chosen must play.

2/ The pitchers can pitch a full game.

3/ All games will be 7 innings in length unless extra innings are necessary.

4/ Tie breaker system will be announced in advance for who will play for 1st and 2nd place. Example: Head to Head competition, most runs scored, least runs given up, most hits, least hits given up.

All of the examples can be given points. The two teams with the most points will play for 1st place.

This system will give more boys an opportunity to play and show what they can do. We will not restrict a pitcher on amount of innings he can pitch in one day.

Coaches were picked by the Steering committee! They filled out an application that was found in the last newsletter.

****Players who do not make the All District Team will still be eligible to play in the All Star Series. ****

If a coach fills out a player profile form that is found in this newsletter and sends it in, this player will have the same opportunity as a player on the All District Team. This system was necessary because of a number of good ball players being left off the All Star Squads because a coach could not get enough votes for his player at the All District Selection meetings. A reminder that each player must have \$125.00 worth of sponsor fees in order to play in the All-Star Series.

ALL STAR SQUAD REGULATIONS:

Each squad will consist of 16 players (2 catchers, 4 pitchers, 6 infielders and 4 outfielders).

PLAYER SELECTION:

First priority: Coach's recommendation form

Second priority: All District Team

Third priority: Coach a member of the association

REMINDER OF THE NAIA WORLD SERIES IN DES MOINES: Just a reminder that the NAIA World Series will be held in Des Moines at the new Sec Taylor Park, May 21-27, 1993. If you are interested in attending with your team, contact Lou Yacinich at Grand View, 515-263-2897 or 515-265-2971. There is a lot of good baseball being played in the NAIA schools.

FUTURE ALL-STAR GAMES: The following locations have been set for future Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association All-Star series. 1993 series will be held in Council Bluffs/Omaha; 1994 series will be held in Iowa City; 1995 series will be held in Ames.

CLINIC PHOTOS: If anyone is interested in purchasing any photos that were taken at the awards banquet, you may purchase them from Read's Photography in Cedar Rapids. You can contact John Read by phone or mail: Phone 319-393-0547. Mail: 1800 42 St N.E. Cedar Rapids, IA. 52402

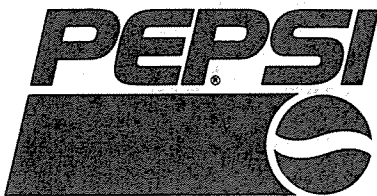
COACHES WITH 20-YEAR LONGEVITY: All coaches with 20 years longevity who received a profile form are requested to complete the form and return to Roger Hoel if they haven't already done so. This is needed for the Hall of Fame Committee!

If a 20-Year Coach has not received a profile form, you may contact Pinky Primrose and he will send you one.

LOOKING FOR MEMBERS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN SELECTING ALL-STATE TEAMS:

Another major change is that each all state team will be selected by coaches of that class. Anyone interested in helping select the All-State teams should sign up on the sheet in this newsletter. The teams will be selected on Saturday, Aug. 7, at 1:30 p.m.

A committee from each class will be selected by the President from the people who fill out the enclosed form.



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4A-DISTRICT AWARD WINNERS L-R: Ed Feyen, Mel Murken, Vic Belger, Absent--Jack Leabo



DISTRICT UMPIRES OF YEAR L-R: Ev Petersen, Jim Molitor, Terry Curtis, Bill Prange



1A-2A DISTRICT AWARD WINNERS L-R: Gary Nyhus, Gene Meister, Jim Kloewer, Scott Jeske, Kent Johnson

PLAQUES NOT PICKED UP AT AWARDS BANQUET:

We have many plaques and certificates that were not picked up at the Awards banquet. If you wish to have the plaque sent to you, please remit \$10.00 for handling and postage. If you have a certificate, please send \$2.50 for handling charges. If these are not requested by August, we will remove the name plate and reuse. The following plaques are being held at my office: Dave Broders, (15 years service); Kevin Whitehill, (2 Year College Coach of Year); Willie Hester, (15 year service); Dave Nitz, (15 years service); Bill Metz, (20 years service); Bob Sandquist, (20 years service); Bob Leech, (District Coach of Year); Lon Spurgin, (15 years service); Ken Kommes, (20 years service); Roy McCleary, (15 years service); Pat Langenberg, (15 years service); Art Wiegand, (20 years service); Steve McGraw, (District Umpire); Gaylord Schelling, (15 years service); Larry Rhamy, (20 years service); Jerry Rusken, (15 years service); Steve Mason, (Umpire Newcomer Award); Chuck Riehle, (20 years service); Larry Barr, (20 years service umpire); Ken Ferris, (25 years service umpire); Kent Bennett, (20 years service); Bart McNeil, (15 years service); Brad Ewest, (15 years service); John McDonald, (15 years service); Rick Mathews, (2 years college); Jack Leabo, (District Coach); Tony Weiler, (District Coach)

CERTIFICATES THAT WERE NOT PICKED UP:

The following people did not pick up the certificate that they requested. Please send in \$2.50 for handling and postage if you want your certificate. Mike Aalbers, (100 win club); Joe Shanks, (ten year service); Kevin Whitehill, (Jr. College Coach of Year); Jim DeBlauw, (200 win club); Jeff Trost, (N.E. District Assistant Coach of Year); Tony Weiler, (District Coach); Jack Leabo, (District Coach); Steve Mason, (Umpire's Newcomer of the Year Award); Brian Rodemeyer, (Umpire's Newcomer of the Year Award); Fred Gude, (1988 District Coach of the Year); Emory Stewart, (1988 District Coach of the Year); Bill Orcutt, (1988 District Umpire of the Year); Donald Foley, (1988 District Umpire of the Year); Mike Long, (1988 District Coach); Dale Roshek (1991 Conference Champ Coach);

CONTRIBUTOR AND MEDIA NOMINEES MUST HAVE A NOMINATION FORM FILLED OUT:

Starting in the 1992 District Meeting, all Media and Contributor nominations must include a form filled out and explaining what the nominee has done to deserve the honor! These should be sent to the Executive Secretary. Award winners will be selected at the Annual Fall Meeting. The committee from each district will select award winner.

MANY THANKS TO SPEAKERS:

If you didn't attend the 1993 clinic, you missed one of the best teaching clinics we have had. The reviews have been excellent for the speakers. It's nice to read such remarks about our speakers. We want to thank them for coming to Iowa and sharing their knowledge with us. We know that Iowa baseball will be better because of their input. The Sunday Clinic was outstanding with the Univ. of Iowa baseball squad.

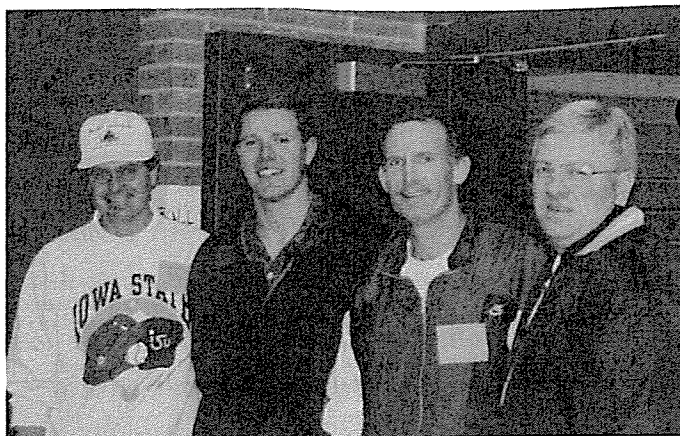
NEW BASEBALL RULES FOR 1993:

Enclosed you will find the new rules for 1993 baseball season. Not many changes for you this year. We do need to work on the language of our players this year and also to keep coaches in the game. We need to eliminate the umpire baiting. Let them do their job this year. If you don't like their work, don't hire them next year. Soon you will run out of umpires to work your games.

We are really in need of umpires. Talk to some of your past players and encourage them to get into umpiring. We need more young people coming into the game. Do your part and give them some freshman or sophomore games to gain experience.

WIN CLUB AND LONGEVITY NAMES:

Several coaches have wondered why their names were removed from the list of Win Club and Longevity Awards. We remove names of people who haven't paid their dues for the year. All the names on these lists are dues paying members. We hope that past coaches continue on with their membership; this helps the association continue our mission to improve Iowa High School baseball. Keep the Executive Secretary posted if your name is not on the list if you have reached one of the mile-stones set up by the Board of Directors.



CLINIC SPEAKERS L-R: Bob Randall, Cal Eldred, John Wathan, Duane Banks

HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM: You will find a Hall of Fame nomination form. Please nominate the person you feel is deserving of this high honor. Send it to Chairman Roger Hoel, 1508 Prospect Blvd, Waterloo, IA 50701 Players-Umpires-Coaches-Promoters of baseball.

SCOUTING INFORMATION: A standard roster form should be used for scouts, and college coaches, and visiting teams. The roster form under 12 headings, supplies the following info:

UNIFORM #; NAME, POSITION, BATS, THROWS, HEIGHT, WEIGHT, CLASS, BIRTHDATE, HOME ADDRESS, PHONE # AND SCHOOL

All coaches should have a master roster filled out to hand to each coach and scout. Let's do it up right.

SCOUTS IN THE MID-WEST AREA: Please send the following scouts your roster and schedule.

JOE BEGANI 4958 S.Keating, Chicago, IL 60632 Yankees
RICHARD KLAUS 975 N. Dunham, Decatur, IL 62525 Giants
BILL CLARK 3906 Grace Ellen Columbia, MO 54281 Braves
GENE BAKER 2250 E. 48th Davenport, IA 52803 Pirates
CARL BLANDO 5519 Tracy Kansas City, MO 64110 Royals
BOB OLDIS 306 Virginia Dr. Iowa City, IA 52240 Expos
NICK KAMZIC 9539 Cent. Park Evergreen Pk, IL 60642 Angles
STEVE VRABLIK 7109 Monroe St. Niles, IL 60648 Seattle
DON LENHART 13317 Woodlake Vil St. Louis, MO 63141 Red Sox
CHARLES HUM 3913 N. Nordica Chicago, IL 60634 Blue Jays
CHUCK KONEY 509 Crandon Av. Calumet City, IL 60409 Red Sox
KEN BRACEY 225 S. Mississ. Morton, IL 61550 Padres
JERRY LAFFERTY Box 356, Trenton, MO 64683 Phillies
MARVIN STENDEL 1220 Carol Anne Glendle, MO 63122 Cards
MIKE ARBUCKLE 2703 Sportman Trenton, MO 64683 Braves
MIKE ROBERTS 8316 Ditzler Raytown, MO 64138 Cards
MARK SERVAIS 3715 S. 28th St. LaCrosse, WI 54601 White Sox
HENRY KRUSE Box 80 Akron, IA 51001 Cards
JOE BOWMAN 2001 West 83rd Leawood, KS 66206 Orioles
DALE McREYNOLDS Box 516 Walworth, WI 53184 Dodgers
DICK TIDROW 3903 NE Woodridge Lee Summit, MO 65063 Yankees
COBBY SAATZER 712 Randolph Av. St. Paul, MN 55102 Twins
PHIL FAVLA 3707 Atlantic Riverdale, IL 60627 Mets
JOE ROBINSON 2400 Kirkwood Burlington, IA 52601 Orioles
WALT SHARP 7013 Maryland Dr. Urbandale, IA 50322 Braves
S. McALLISTER 713 East McClure Peoria, IL 61603 Brewers
MIKE HENNESSY 2302 Williamsburg Rd. Evanston, IL 60203 Cubs
JIM DREYER Harrington Ct. Eulless, TX 76039 Rangers
JEFF CORNELL 5207 McCoy Kansas City, MO 64133 Bureau
TONY LEVATO 620 Hauert Peotone, IL 60468 Royals

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE STILL ON:

We continue to seek new membership and renewals. Make sure all the baseball coaches in your conference belong, also all the umpires who work your conference. Softball coaches are welcomed as members. They receive all the same honors as the baseball coaches. Everyone should get one new member! Your association should go well over the top of its goal. Get the little league coaches to join or some of your ball players' parents. We are also looking for donations for the All-Star games.

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*******SCHOOLS THAT WILL PLAY IN THE LARGE SCHOOL CLASSIFICATION*******

LARGE SCHOOLS EAST: Davenport(3); Dubuque (3); Cedar Rapids (3); Burlington; Cedar Falls; Bettendorf; Clinton; Waterloo (3); Muscatine; Iowa City (2); North Scott; Linn Mar of Marion; Charles City; Fort Madison; Pleasant Valley; Western Dubuque; Keokuk; Cedar Rapids Prairie; Fairfield; Ottumwa; Mason City; Knoxville; Mount Pleasant (32)

LARGE SCHOOLS WEST: Des Moines (5); West Des Moines Valley; Marshalltown; Fort Dodge; West Des Moines Dowling; Ames; Council Bluffs (2); Sioux City (4); Ankeny; Newton; Urbandale; Southeast Polk; Carroll Kuemper; Indianola; Boone; Harlan; Spencer; Lewis Central Council Bluffs; Oskaloosa; Waverly-Shell Rock; Denison; Creston; Webster City; LeMars; (32)

It should be noted that Oskaloosa, Waverly-Shell Rock, have been added to the West District to get balance.

MAJOR CHANGE IN ALL-DISTRICT SELECTION: As noted, the Board of Directors passed that players will no longer be nominated for district teams by paper ballot. Nominations will take place at the All District meetings by **MEMBER** Coaches present. It is very important that coaches attend and participate in these district meetings throughout the state to select the All-District Teams.

The District Chairman will conduct the meeting. The chairman is the person selected for two years in each district unless otherwise indicated in this newsletter. Check the new roster of officers and directors in this newsletter for that information.

ALL DISTRICT MEETINGS IN YOUR AREA:

*****PUT THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR*****

NORTHWEST DISTRICT: 1A-2A
Sun. July 11, 1993 1:00 p.m. Spencer
Chairman, Rich Collison

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT: 1A-2A
Sun. July 11, 1993 1:00 p.m. Creston
Chairman, Steve Westphal

WEST DISTRICT: 3A & 4A
Sun. July 18, 1993 1:00 p.m. Carroll
Chairman, Ken Schrieber--3A
Chairman, Lee Toole--4A

NORTHEAST DISTRICT:
Sun. July 11, 1993 1:00 p.m. Wat. West
Chairman, Gary Nyhus--1A-2A
Sun. July 18, 1993 1:00 p.m. Manchester
Chairman, Terry Heald & Curt Nelson--3A
Chairman, Rick Netolicky--4A

CENTRAL DISTRICT:
Sun. July 11, 1993 1:00 p.m. Gilbert
Chairman, Phil Lebo--1A-2A
Sun. July 18, 1993 1:00 p.m. Ames High
Chairman, Merle Olberding--3A
Chairman, Rich Stoffers--4A

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT:
Sun. July 11, 1993 1:00 p.m. Washington
Chairman, Don Taylor--1A-2A
Sun. July 18, 1993 1:00 p.m. Muscatine
Chairman, Jack Leabo--4A
Sun. July 18, 1993 1:00 p.m. Washington
Chairman, Joel Johnson--3A

1993-94 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

ALL STAR COMMITTEE:
Charlie Stumpff, Iowa City West (Chairman)
Don Taylor, West Branch (Chairman of Program)
Rick Sandquist, Fort Dodge
Ric Wahl, Council Bluffs Abe Lincoln
Ken Elam, Lewis Central
Vic Belger, Creston
Jeff Kelley, Moravia
Lee Toole, Council Bluffs Tee Jay
Jim Squires, Bellevue Marquette

ALL DISTRICT COMMITTEE:
Eugene Meister, Algona Garrigan (Chairman)
Phil Brand, North Central
Jerry Roling, Cascade
Oran Tuet, Paton-Churdan
Jack Leabo, Davenport Central
Jim Kloewer, Stuart-Menlo
Nick Archer, Sioux City Heclan
Lee Toole, Council Bluffs Tee Jay

ALL STATE COACH COMMITTEE:
Merle Olberding, Ballard-Huxley (Chairman)
Curt Nelson, Maquoketa
Steve Shanks, Eastwood
Robert Scandridge, Lynnville-Sully
Joe McFarland, Norwalk
Jim Gebhart, Saydel
Doug Jackson, Lincoln-Stanwood
Don Lyon, Denison

HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE:
Roger Hoel, Waterloo West (Chairman)
Rich Collison, Algona
Pat O'Donnell, Earlham
Rick Choponis, Seymour
John Waddle, Coon Rapids
Kent Johnson, Wapello
Bill Freese, Davenport
Lou Koenigsfeld, Charles City
Howie Conrad, Benton-Norway
Dick Core, Dubuque Hempstead

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:
Phil Lebo, Grundy Center (Chairman)
Ken Bahrke, Sioux Center
Dan Bolte, Camanche
Theron Schutte, Clinton
Phil Katz, Linn Mar
Gary Paulsen, Ogden
Steve Petersen, Sloan
Curt Jensen, Washington
Jerry Roling, Cascade
Rick Davis, Boone
(All Two year elected directors)

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE:
Steve Westphal, Lenox, (Chairman)
Gary Nyhus, Mason City Newman
Jack Trainor, Waverly-Shell Rock
Jeff Kelley, Moravia
Emory Stewart, Oskaloosa
Bill Azinger, Logan-Magnolia

AUDIT COMMITTEE:
Rick Netolicky, C.R. Washington, (Chairman)
Rick Gavel, Riceville
Don Lyons, Denison
Howard Conrad, Benton
Bob Leech, Muscatine
Max Dougherty, Bedford
Floyd Athay, Le Mars
Joel Johnson, Knoxville

RATING POLL COMMITTEE:
Ron Anderson, Carlisle, (Chairman)
Jeff Johnson, Cedar Rapids Gazette
Tom Jenk Jr., Dyersville
Tom Souhrada, Davenport West
Lee Toole, C.B. Tee Jay
Steve Roskens, Ackley-Geneva
Steve Sanders, Oelwein
Steve Fish, Central City
Phil Katz, Linn-Mar
Bob Homer, Mason City
Bob Homer, Mason City
(All District Representatives)

UMPIRES COMMITTEE:
Elected Representatives plus:
Gary Paulsen, Ogden (Chairman)
Terry Curtis, Williamsburg
Pete Hansen, Spencer
Bob Burns, Clinton
Don Burrows, Cedar Rapids
Wayne Wuebker, Ayrshire
Marv Bell, Van Horne
John Bartolo, Bancroft
Mike Droll, Conrad
Jack Lynch, Lawler
Dan Pomeroy, Coon Rapids
Marlowe Van Ginkel, Rock Valley

AWARDS COMMITTEE:
Terry Heald, Marion (Chairman)
Jim Blythe, Indianola
Joel Johnson, Knoxville
Vic Belger, Creston
Robert Meyer, Center Point
Jim Squires, Bellevue
Floyd Athey, LeMars
Tom Souhrada, Davenport West
Rick Netolicky, C.R. Washington
Steve Roskens, Ackley-Geneva
Dave Welter, Cedar Falls
Jim Blythe, Indianola

STEERING COMMITTEE:
Jim Donohue, Martensdale-St. Marys (Chairman)
All Dues Paying past Presidents

VINCE MEYER COACHING AWARD COMMITTEE:
Fr. Craig Collison, Remsen (Chairman)
Jack Leabo, Davenport Central
Don Taylor, West Branch
Gordon Van Zanten, Pella-Christian
Rich Stoffers, Newton
Steve Miller, West Central
Randy Mathews, Grinnell
Dan Bolte, Camanche
Roy McCleary, Interstate 35

COLLEGE COACH ADVISORY COMMITTEE:
Duane Banks, University of Iowa
Bob Randall, Iowa State University
Lou Yacinich, Grand View
Jim Scholten, Morningside
John Lewis, Kirkwood
Mike Laird, William Penn
Bill Krejci, S.W. Comm. College

PLAN TO ATTEND THE ALL-STAR GAMES

GUIDELINES FOR THE NOMINATION OF HALL OF FAME:

1. Any IHSBCA member may nominate a qualified baseball person.
2. This must be done on the official two-page nomination form which may be obtained from the IHSBCA Office, 4211 High Ridge Rd. S.E., Cedar Rapids, IA. 52403. The form may also be obtained from any Hall of Fame Committee member.
3. This form must be completed and returned to the IHSBCA office by September 1 of a given year in order to be eligible for the selections of the following year.
4. Eligible nominees must have the following prerequisites:
 - a/ Must have served as a head baseball coach of a high school, 2-year college, 4-year college, umpire, player or contributor to baseball (local/state/national level)
 - b/ Must have served a minimum of 20 years in the aforementioned institution(s).
 - c/ Must have significantly contributed to the advancement and betterment of baseball.
 - d/ Must have made major contributions to the IHSBCA (such as serving on committees, filling offices, all-star series, attending clinics, encouraging membership).
 - e/ Must be representative of:
 - i) high moral character and ethical standards
 - ii) excellence recognized beyond the local level
 - iii) demonstrated leadership

5/ After the September 1 deadline, the entire file is given a preliminary review by the Committee Chairman. The Committee Chairman will forward the file, containing his report to the Hall of Fame Committee, by October 1. His report will attest to the candidate's qualifications pertaining to # 4 a, b, c, and e, aforementioned.

6/ After a preliminary review by the Chairman, everything in the file, the reports by the Chair and Executive Secretary, will be condensed and forwarded to all Board members and to each dues paying Hall of Fame member by December 1, who will vote on the candidates.

7/ The candidates will be selected by ballot and notified by January of the year receiving the award.

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MEETING MINUTES

IOWA HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 11, 1993

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Donohue at 7:45 P.M. at the Five Seasons Hotel in Cedar Rapids. Twenty-seven members were present.

After introductions, the secretary's report of the October 18, 1992, meeting were read by Secretary Phil Lebo. John Zahn moved the minutes stand approved as read; Gary Paulsen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Executive Secretary's report was given by Pinky Primrose. Balances in the association's accounts are:

Checking	--	\$13,803.49
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Savings	--	\$147.97
Total cash on hand	--	\$15,259.77

Pinky explained that his proposed budget was \$41,900. The actual 1992-1993 budget was \$43,039. The 1992-1993 budget was \$42,300. Also, Rick Netolicky, from the Audit Committee, and Jim Brems reviewed the treasurer's report and reported that everything checked out. Dick Core moved the report stand approved as read; Roger Hoel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Steering Committee (Lenny Welh):

A list for the 1993 All-Star Coaches has been selected, and Lenny will talk to the coaches at the clinic. He stated that a small number of Large East Coaches were nominated. Don Taylor, from the southeast district, has been nominated to be the new secretary of the association.

Executive Secretary (Pinky Primrose):

Pinky reported that all speakers are going to be in attendance for the clinic. Pre-registration for the clinic is 275. Door assignments for the clinic were discussed. Saturday's clinic will be held in the new gym due to a scheduling conflict. Umpires will use the old gym.

The dates for the All-District Meetings will be 1A - 2A July 11 and 3A - 4A July 18.

Pinky stated that the ratings poll this year will be coordinated by Jeff Johnson of the Cedar Rapids Gazette. He will be assisted by Ron Anderson of Carlisle.

Pinky sent out seventy press releases to the media across the state listing the winners of the association's Coach of the Year, Umpire of the Year, and Hall of Fame winners. The only press release that appeared in The Des Moines Register was the Hall of Fame winners.

The F.C.A. Breakfast is Saturday at 7:30 A.M. Cal Eldred will be the speaker. The clinic starts at 9:30 in the gym.

Pinky recommended to the Awards Committee that the 15 year award winners receive a certificate and not a plaque. All other longevity awards would remain the same.

Pinky stated that the Media-Contributor Award has more merit now that an application form has to be completed.

The All-Star Series headed by Lee Toole is working hard and cooperation has been great during the planning stages. There will be rooms available for the players' parents at the Best Western Motel where the teams will be staying.

A question was raised about having an All-Star Elite Team play an All-Star Elite Team from Nebraska following the championship game on Sunday. Discussion followed.

Pinky stated that criteria for consideration of players for the All-Star Series is as follows:

1. The player's coach must nominate him
2. The coach must be an association member
3. The player must make All-District

Pinky recommended that Cedar Rapids host the 1996 All-Star Series. The 1994 Series will be held in Iowa City.

The Academic All-State Team is going well. The PSAT score will no longer be on the nomination form.

The fall board meeting will be at Iowa City in October or November.

Hall of Fame Committee (Roger Hoel):

Roger reported that great people were selected for this year's honors.

Pinky pointed out that members are not returning ballots or not returning them quickly enough for All-District Umpire and All-District Coach selections. He recommends sending out Hall of Fame ballots earlier so he has more time to count them.

A question was raised about voting for All-District Coach of the Year. If someone didn't vote for a coach in one district, would the ballot be thrown out? No, the vote would still count.

Awards Committee (Ed Feyen):

The Awards Committee has proposed a Distinguished Person Award. This person will have played Iowa High School Baseball and gone on to distinguish himself either at the state or national level. A lot of discussion occurred over settling this issue. It was finally decided that the Awards Committee will work out the selection criteria.

Umpires Committee (Gary Paulsen):

Gary reported that Mr. Harty of the IHSAA stated that the rules session at the clinic will not be allowed for credit by the umpires. There will be continued study for the umpire's award which now follows the coaches' 4-A district set-up.

A big item of discussion was the 170 ejections in baseball last year.

Vince Meyer Award (Ed Feyen):

The PSAT score will be dropped from the application form. The committee will use the following criteria for selection:

1. school class size
2. ACT score
3. class rank
4. athletic activities
5. non-athletic activities

Last year there were only two players on the All-Star teams who qualified for this award. Don Taylor moved that if qualifiers for the Vince Meyer Award are not selected for the All-Star Teams, then the committee will select nominees to be brought in for interviews. The only qualification is that the player has to make an All-District Team. John Zahn seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Membership Committee (Phil Lebo):

Phil Lebo reported that the breakdown in membership is as follows:

215 head coaches
21 college coaches
99 assistant coaches
10 softball coaches
62 umpires
4 scouts
41 fans

Continued efforts are being made to expand association membership.

President's Report (Jim Donohue):

Jim stated that it was a pleasure to serve as the association president.

Pinky stated that this year's Contributor Award will go to Richard Duke Lee.

OLD BUSINESS -- None

NEW BUSINESS:

The budget shows an \$8,000 profit because of lower All-Star expenses. Most meals will be paid for by donations.

Lenny Welh moved that we accept the budget; Steve Westphal seconded. Motion carried.

The executive secretary was excused and the board discussed its yearly review of the executive secretary's position. Members expressed appreciation for Pinky's effort and work for the association. Lenny Welh moved to raise Pinky's salary \$100; Don Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Due to the classifications changing, the East-West Large School All-Star Teams will be chosen from the largest 64 teams.

To select the All-State Teams, the 4-A team will be selected from the largest 48 schools, 3-A from the next 64 largest schools, and the rest of the schools will comprise the 1-A/2-A team.

Discussion ensued regarding a few schools that consistently play teams from a larger or smaller classification level than their assigned All-District meeting. These schools will have the option to attend whichever All-District meeting they choose.

After a lengthy discussion regarding a possible game between an All-Star Elite Team and a Nebraska All-Star Elite Team, it was moved by Joel Johnson and seconded by Steve Westphal to leave the Series the way it is. Motion carried.

A motion was made by John Zahn and seconded by Gary Nyhus to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Lebo

Phil Lebo, Secretary

IOWA HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 12, 1993

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Donohue at 11:00 A.M. at Washington High School. President Donohue welcomed those in attendance and introduced the board of directors.

Secretary Phil Lebo read the minutes of the board of directors meeting from the previous evening. Don Taylor moved to accept the minutes as read; Bob Burns seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Pinky mentioned the treasurer's report that was read in the secretary's report. He hoped to get a lot of walk-ins for the clinic. The budget that was approved was a good one, but we have to continue to monitor rising costs. Pinky asked that everyone leave the plastic name-card holders after the clinic so they could be used for future clinics.

A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report by Gary Paulsen; Gary Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There were no recommendations to make changes in the audit report.

President's Report (Jim Donohue):

President Donohue reported that holding the clinic in February is a good idea because we are able to get good speakers. The All-Star Series will be Omaha this summer. Lee Toole, the Series's organizer, has done a good job and has some great ideas for the series. These two things will help improve the Association.

Executive Secretary's Report (Pinky Primrose):

Pinky reported on the structure and format of the clinic. He stated that Saturday's clinic will be held in the new gym. He said that the day-to-day operation of the association is running smoothly.

Pinky recommended some changes in longevity awards. In order for a coach to receive a plaque he must meet the following requirements:

1. 15-year plaque must be a member for 5 consecutive years
2. 20-year plaque must be a member for 10 consecutive years
3. 25-year plaque must be a member for 15 consecutive years

All-District Committee Report (Eugene Meister):

After the summer pairings, the committee will gather the data to list the schools by their respective classes.

- 4-A Largest 48 schools
- 3-A Next 64 schools
- 2-A Next 128 schools
- 1-A Remaining schools

The committee will then develop a map of schools for each class to review some options for each class. Hopefully, this proposal could be presented at the fall meeting.

Hall of Fame Committee Report (Lou Koenigsfeld):

The committee discussed setting up specific criteria for evaluating nominees to be put on the coaches', players', and contributors' ballots. They plan to meet in Waterloo on September 26, 1993, at 1:00 P.M. to select nominees for the ballot.

All-State Coach Committee (Merle Olberding):

Merle reported that committee members like the format that is presently being used to choose the All-State teams. They feel that it is important that each district and class is well represented. We feel this might be emphasized at the All-District meetings. Maybe representatives could be chosen at All-District meetings in the future. The committee recommends no changes at this time.

Constitution Committee (Steve Westphal):

Steve reported that everything is in order.

Membership Committee (Phil Lebo):

Phil reported that he will contact the IHSAA to gather information about conference alignments and set up conference representatives. The committee discussed the possibility of naming some past noteworthy baseball people as an honorary member of the association. No decisions were made.

Rating Poll Committee

Pinky stated that Ron Anderson of Carlisle and Jeff Johnson of the Cedar Rapids Gazette will head up the rating poll committee. They will get reports each Sunday from the first- and second-year district representatives. Ron will also make individual contact with the Iowa Moines Register.

All-Star Committee

Pinky and Lee Toole met, and Pinky reported that this summer's All-Star Series scheduled for Omaha is progressing nicely. Lee Toole is working very hard to plan for a successful series.

Umpire Committee (Gary Paulsen):

Gary reported that no district boundaries are changing yet. This will be discussed at the August meeting.

Steering Committee (Lenny Weih):

Lenny reported that Don Taylor from the southeast district was nominated to fill the position of secretary for 1993-1994. Don has worked hard in the past years in the All-Star Series and has been responsible for planning and printing the programs.

All-Star coaches have been selected, and they will be contacted during the clinic. There was some concern about the low number of applications sent in from the large west schools.

The steering committee praised Pinky for his outstanding job this year.

Vince Meyer Scholarship Committee (Ed Feyen):

Ed reported that the committee wants to streamline the requirements. Coaches are also encouraged to report all activities -- not just athletic activities and accomplishments -- of their nominees on the nomination sheets. Last year there were only two players on the All-Star teams who qualified for this award. The committee decided that if qualifiers for the Vince Meyer Award are not selected for the All-Star Teams, then the committee will select nominees to be brought in for interviews. The only requirement is that the nominees must make an All-District team.

Awards Committee (Ed Feyen):

Ed reported that the committee set up the following criteria for the Distinguished Person Award:

1. former Iowa baseball player
2. distinguished himself outside of baseball
3. fill out form at All-District meeting
4. doesn't have to be given annually
5. receive a plaque

Ed Feyen moved these criteria be accepted; Jack Leabo seconded the nomination. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ed Feyen and seconded by Lenny Weih that in order for a coach to receive a 15-year longevity plaque, he must have been a member of the association for 5 consecutive years; 20-year plaque, 10 consecutive years; 25-year plaque, 15 consecutive years. Motion carried. The recipient will be awarded the plaque on the anniversary year.

Communications (Pinky Primrose):

Pinky reported that Bernie Saggau of the IHSAA donated \$500 and was glad to be honored by the association. He was unable to attend the banquet this year, but he will receive the President's Award next year.

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

The new officer of the association comes from the Southeast District for 1993-1994. Lenny Weih moved that Don Taylor be elected secretary; Ev Petersen seconded. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion carried, and Don Taylor was elected Secretary for 1993-1994.

Pinky congratulated Jim Donohue on his Presidency.

Motion to adjourn was made by John Zahn, Sr., and seconded by John Zahn, Jr. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Lebo

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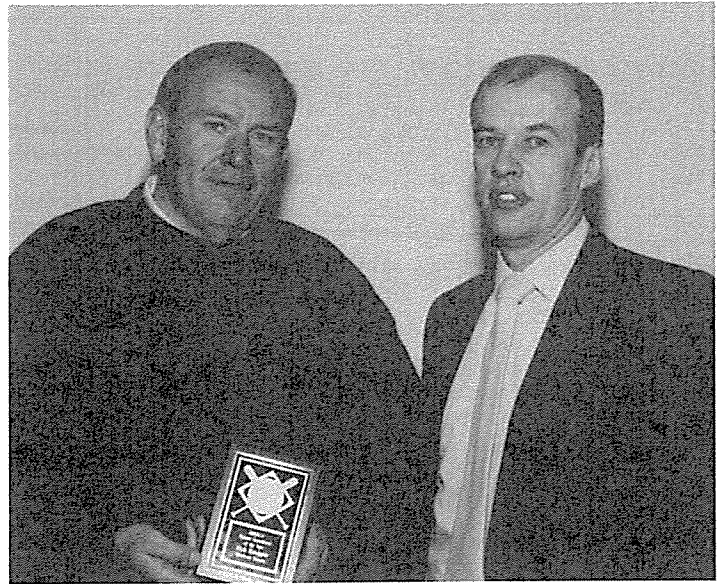
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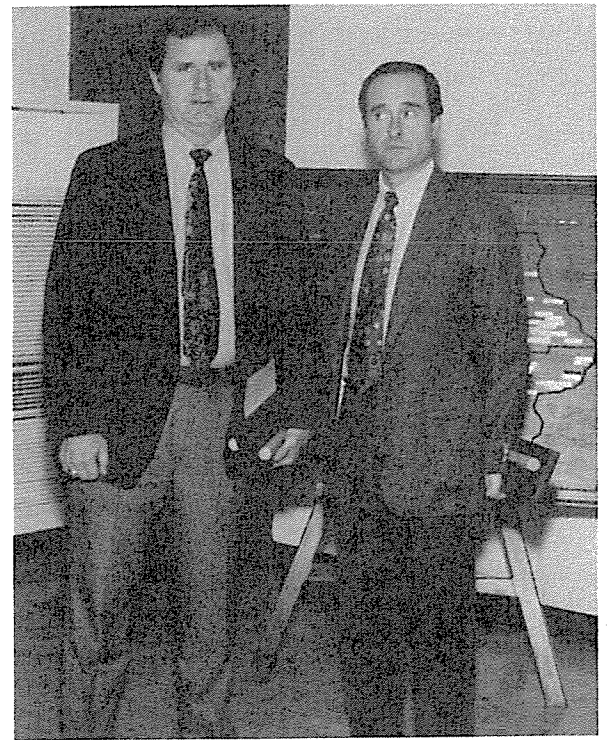
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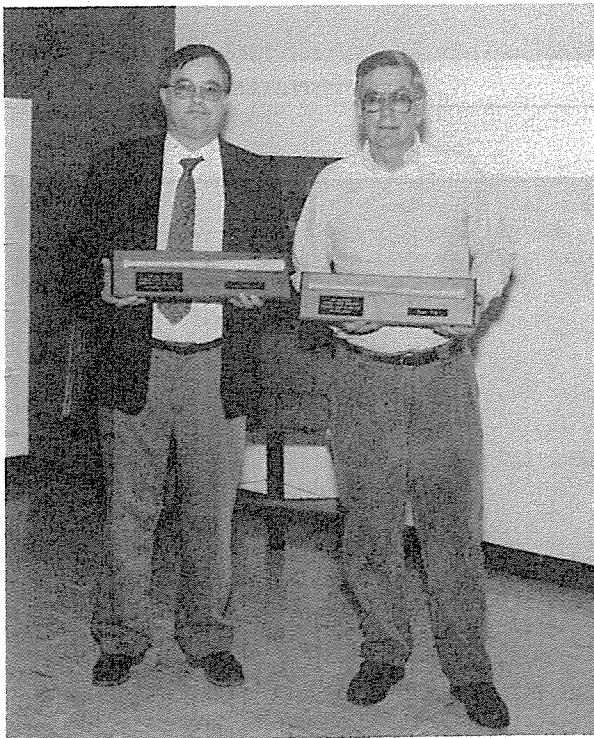
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Kegler is one of just six infielders named to the honor squad as selected by the editors of *Collegiate Baseball*. The All-American selection is the first in Independence High School athletic history.

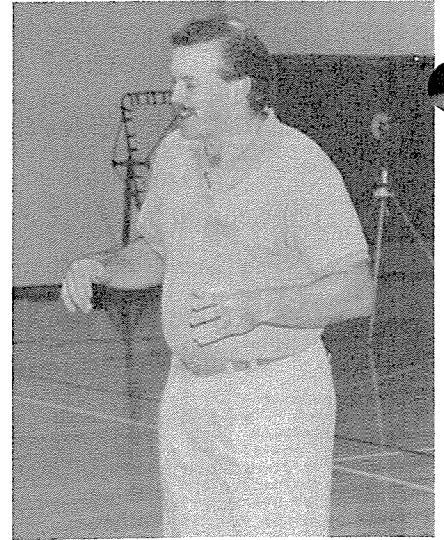
In his junior season, Kegler set school records in hits, runs, RBIs, doubles, triples, homeruns and batting average. He also set a school mark with a 17-game hitting streak. Kegler hit .536 while being named first team All-WAMAC, first team All-district, first team All-*Oelwein Daily Register* and second team All-state by both the Iowa Newspaper Association and the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association. He was the first Independence baseball player to be accorded all five awards in a season.

"This tremendous honor is not only a reflection of Brian's talent and character, but also on the entire Independence baseball program," head coach Patrick Murphy said. "We tell our players that an honor for one of them is an honor for the whole team. I am hoping that this announcement will give us a boost going into the summer and the 1993 season."

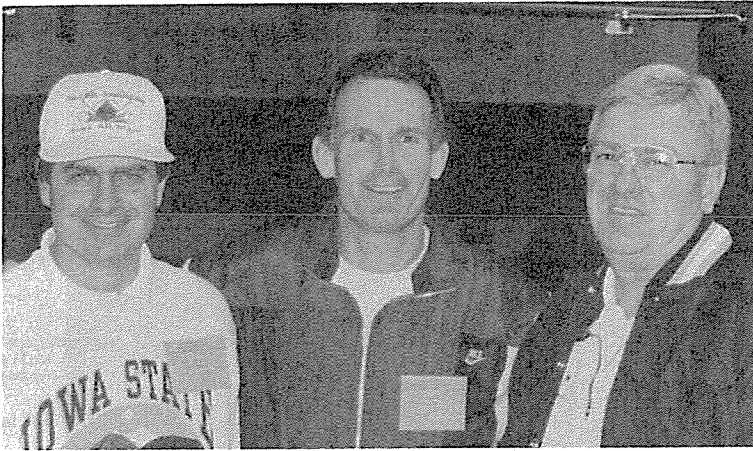
In addition to his selection to the Mizuno first team, Kegler was also chosen as one of the elite prep players in the state of Iowa. The United State Baseball Federation assisted in the selection of these blue chip players.

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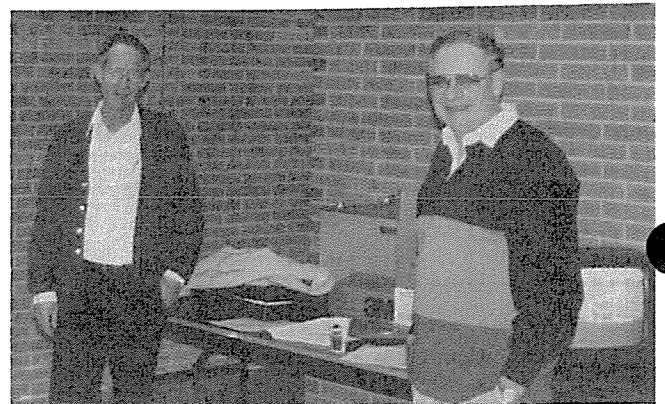
Kegler is the son of Dan and Vicki Kegler of Independence.



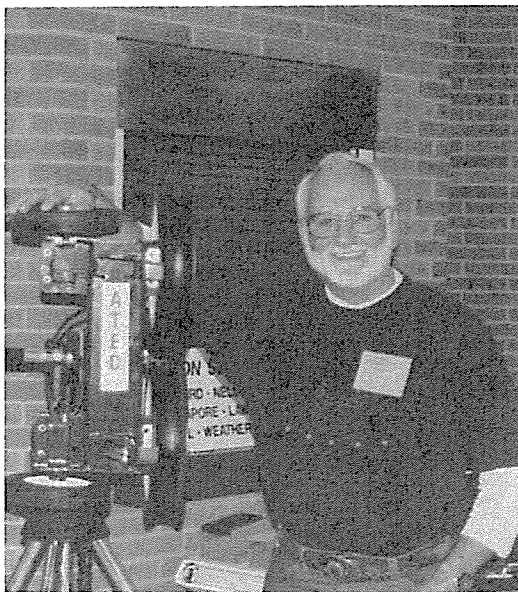
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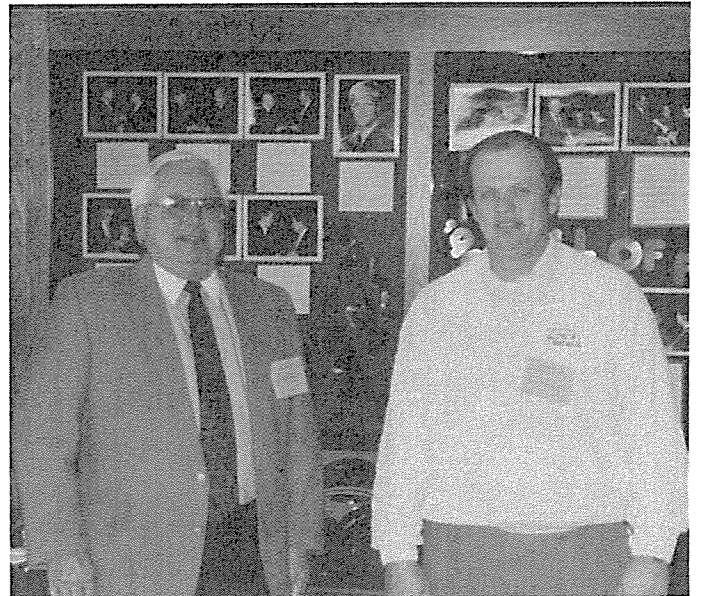
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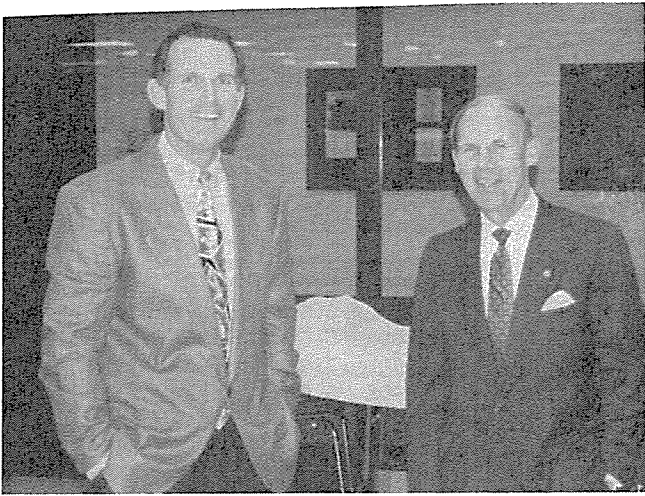
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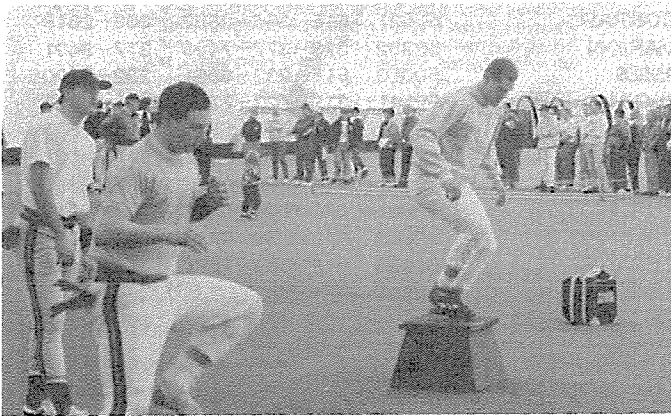
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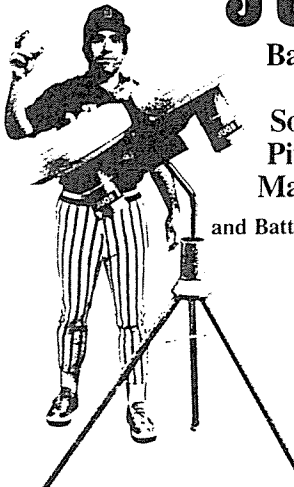
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- 6-1-2 While in the windup position and in contact with the pitcher's plate, once the pitcher separates his hands or brings his hands together, the pitcher shall continue his pitching motion.
- 8-2 Penalty In all instances when ball is dead and a runner touches a succeeding base after missing a base or leaving a base too soon on a caught fly ball, the umpire shall wait until the end of playing action to call the runner out, instead of when the runner touches the next succeeding base.

RUNNER HIT BY BATTED BALL

I. Ball is dead and runner is out when:

- A. He is hit by a batted ball before the ball passes an infielder other than the pitcher. 8.4.2b, 8.4.2f.
- B. He is hit by a batted ball after passing a fielder other than the pitcher and another infielder is in position to make a play. 8.4.2f.
- C. He is hit by a batted ball while he is standing on a base. C.B. 5.1.1 (Exception: If the batted ball is an infield fly, the ball is dead, the runner is not out. 8.4.2f Exception, C.B. 5.1.1g, 8.4.2h, 8.4.2j) If he is hit by a batted ball which is an infield fly and he is not on a base, the ball is dead and both he and the batter are out. 8.4.2f Note, C.B. 8.4.2g, 8.4.2h.
- E. He is hit by a batted ball which caroms off a base. The ball is dead and the runner is out even if he is on the base or in foul territory. C.B. 5.1.1i.
- F. He intentionally touches a batted ball after it has touched an infielder and another fielder has an opportunity to make a play on the ball. C.B. 8.4.2i.

II. Ball remains alive and runner is not out when:

- A. He is hit by a batted ball which has passed an infielder other than the pitcher and no other infielder is in position to make a play on the ball. C.B. 8.4.2j.
- B. He is hit by a batted ball after a fielder touches the ball provided he does not intentionally touch the ball. C.B. 8.4.2i.

III. Ball is dead; runner is out; and another out may be called when a runner intentionally touches a batted ball and in the umpire's opinion another out could have been made. 8.4.1i, 8.4.2b C.B. 8.4.2f Comment.

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CASE BOOK

Page 6—Revise ruling to read, "Manipulating the ball to the ground is prohibited. Allowing the ball to drop to the ground is not to be considered an intentionally dropped ball, as long as it was not caught.

Page 53, 8.4.1c Play—In last line of ruling, replace "pitch" with "interference".
Page 54, 8.4.2d Play—In last line of ruling, replace "pitch" with "interference".
Page 55, 8.4.2k Play—In last line of ruling, replace "pitch" with "interference".

SITUATION #1: An overthrow goes into an unoccupied designated media area. Is the ball dead?

RULING: Yes. Anytime the ball enters a designated media area, the ball is dead immediately. 5-1-1k

SITUATION #2: B1 hits a pop foul fly near the designated media area. F3, while running underneath the ball to make the catch, steps into the designated media area. Must he establish himself in live ball area with both feet before a catch will be allowed?

RULING: Yes. The designated media area is treated as any other dead ball area concerning a catch. 5-1-1h

SITUATION #3: B1 hits a ground ball to F6. The throw to first base pulls F3 off the bag, into the path of the runner. There is violent contact as the runner and first baseman collide. The coach of the defensive team feels the contact was malicious, and B1 should be ejected from the game.

RULING: The severity of the contact is not a gauge for determining malicious contact, because there are times, such as this when

contact is unavoidable. In order for contact to be judged malicious, the umpire needs to determine that the contact was deliberately created by the violator, and was excessive and/or an attempt to injure.

SITUATION #4: R1 dives back into first base on a pick-off attempt, and the ground causes an abrasion on his wrist. The abrasion is bleeding. The umpire calls time, and R1's coach is allowed to clean and bandage the wound. The game is delayed during this time, and R1 is allowed to continue after treatment.

RULING: This situation was handled correctly, as the delay for bandaging the wound was considered to be reasonable by the umpire. If the wound could not have been bandaged during a reasonable amount of time, R1 would have been required to leave the game with normal substitution rules applying.

SITUATION #5: The catcher, chasing a foul pop-up, trips over the loose bats of the offensive team and falls unable to make the catch.

RULING: The batter may be out if, in the opinion of the umpire, the ball might have been caught. 1-1-5 Penalty

SITUATION #6: During play, the team in the field throws the ball to home plate. The throw is errant and deflects off of a defensive team's helmet left in live ball territory.

RULING: The umpire may declare a dead ball and award any runners an additional base(s) he feels they would have reached had the ball not hit the helmet as a result of the defensive team's loose equipment stopping play. 1-1-5 Penalty

SITUATION #7: At the beginning of the first inning, the umpire notices that Team A has left its ball bag in live territory. Team B has also left a fungo bat just beyond first base in live ball territory.

RULING: The umpire instructs both teams to remove all equipment from live ball territory and keep it in the dugout or out of play. There is no penalty. 1-1-5 Penalty

SITUATION #8: B1 enters the batter's box with a bat that is longer than 36".

RULING: The bat is considered an illegal bat, since it exceeds the 36" limit. The batter is declared out. 1-3-5, 7-4a

SITUATION #9: B1 is adjusting his stance in the batter's box. The plate umpire gives the "Do Not Pitch" signal. The pitcher wheels and throws to first base picking R1 off first base.

RULING: The umpire's signal caused the ball to become dead immediately. Therefore, no play can take place. Umpires Signals

SITUATION #10: R1 slides at second (a) with his raised leg higher than the fielder's knee when the fielder is standing, (b) makes contact with the fielder, but is not able to reach the base with a hand or a foot, (c) and makes contact with the fielder who is less than a step to the side of the base, or (d) beyond the base, but does not make contact with the fielder or interfere with play.

RULING: R1 has committed an illegal slide in (a) and (b). In (c) and (d) R1 is not guilty of any infraction. 2-32-2

SITUATION #11: Team A arrives at the field with uniforms bearing manufacturer's logos larger than 1 1/2" x 1 1/2". Is this legal?

RULING: Yes. The rule does not go into effect until the 1994 season. 1-1-5

SITUATION #12: With the bases loaded, one out and R3 on first, B5 hits a ball in the gap to the fence. R3 advances safely to third, but does not touch second base. B5 makes a wide turn around second and is thrown out trying to return. Does B5's out at second eliminate the force on R3, thereby allowing R1 and R2 to score?

RULING: An out by a trailing runner does not automatically eliminate a force. This was a force play, because R3 was required to go to second by action of the batter. Only if the batter-runner is put out before reaching first is the force removed. Therefore, no runs score, because a third out was declared during a play in which an umpire observed a baserunning infraction resulting in a force out, and this out takes precedence if enforcement of it would negate the score. 9-1-1d

SITUATION #13: Because of an injury and with no substitutes available, Team A is forced to play with eight players. In the last inning (a) several junior varsity players, or (b) a couple of varsity players who were involved with exams arrive at the game. The coach of Team A realizes he cannot play with nine players again during the game, but wants to substitute for some of the remaining players. Is this legal?

RULING: Yes in (a) and (b). Even though these players were not at the game when it started, they would not be prohibited from playing. 4-4-1f

SITUATION #14: With R1 on first and the defensive team's coach standing in his team's bench area nearest first base, F2 attempts to pick off R1. Simultaneous with R1 diving back into the base, the defensive team's coach tosses a ball down the line to give the appearance that F2's throw was wild. All the while, F3 has the ball. Against the instructions of the first base coach, R1 starts for second, only to be tagged by F3.

RULING: The defensive team's coach is guilty of obstruction and committing a flagrant unsportsmanlike act. At the end of playing action, the coach shall be ejected and R1 shall be awarded second base, because of obstruction. 2-22-1, 3-1-3k

SITUATION #15: With R1 on second, F5 yells "Back! Back!". R1 thinks the instructions have come from his third base coach. R1 (a) does not return or (b) is thrown out at home on B2's hit after first starting back to second. R1's coach claims F5 should be called for obstruction because he hindered R1. F5's coach contends that this is just part of baseball.

RULING: Anytime a fielder hinders a runner, obstruction shall be called. In (a), because R1 was not hindered, there is no obstruction. In (b), had R1 not attempted to return, he may not have been put out at the plate. Therefore, F5 is guilty of obstruction. 8-3-2

SITUATION #16: With two outs and R1 on second, B4 strikes out, but the pitch gets by F2 and is rolling toward the backstop. F2 chases the ball down and stops it with his mask.

RULING: The ball is dead immediately. R1 is awarded two bases from the time of the infraction. 8-3-3c

SITUATION #17: With the bases loaded and less than two outs, B5 pops up in the infield. The umpire calls "Infield Fly". F6 intentionally drops the ball, which then bounds away from him. R1 on third takes off for home, just as the umpire declares the ball dead because F6 intentionally dropped the ball. The umpire then returns R1 to third. The coach of the team at bat claims that the ball should not have been declared dead, since the batter would have been out anyway due to the infield fly rule.

RULING: The infield fly rule takes precedence over the intentionally dropped fair fly, line drive or fair bunt in flight, since the batter is always out. In this play, the umpire made a mistake when he declared the ball dead, which prevented R1 from scoring. Even if the runner was close to scoring, he shall be returned to the base occupied at the time of the pitch. The batter is out. 5-1-1i Exception

SITUATION #18: With R1 on first and no outs, B2 hits a sharp ground ball up the middle where F6 fields the ball and touches second base. In trying to get the ball out of his glove to complete his throw to first base, F6 ends up in the baseline between first and second about (a) two feet or (b) eight feet in front of second base. R1 sees that he is out but elects to slide straight at the base where he slides into F6 and does not reach the base.

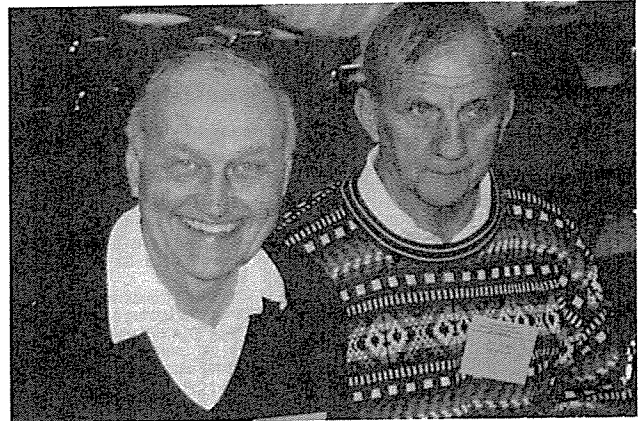
RULING: Unless R1's slide altered F6's play at first base, there is no interference. However, if the slide did alter the play, then R1 would be guilty of interference in (a) if, in the judgment of the umpire, R1 would not have reached the base with a hand or foot had F6 not been in the basepath. In (b), R1 realistically could not have reached the base, and therefore, could be called out for interference, if his slide, in the judgment of the umpire, altered the play. 8-4-2f

SITUATION #19: With two outs and R2 on second and R1 on third, B5 hits a home run (a) over the fence or (b) inside the park. R1 scores and R2 misses third, but touches home plate.

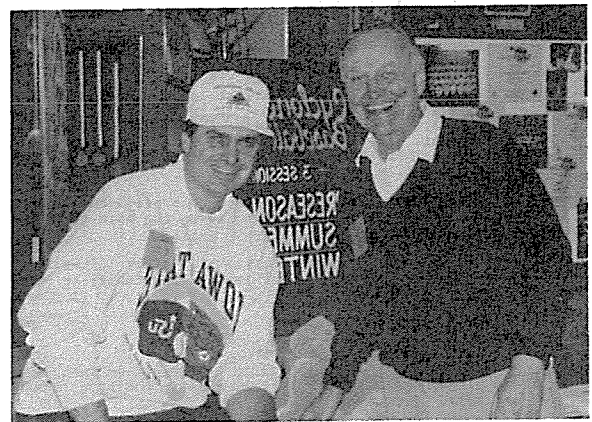
RULING: In (a) and (b), R1 scores but R2 is called out at the end of playing action for missing third base. Since R2's out was due to missing a base and was the third out, following runners, including B5, do not score. 9-1-1c

SITUATION #20: As F1 begins his delivery with R1 on first base, B2 in an effort to distract F1 (a) moves his bat up and down over the plate, (b) purposely drops his bat, (c) does jumping jacks, or (d) takes off running to first base.

RULING: Legal in (a). Illegal in (b), (c) and (d). Acts not related to batting may be ruled interference. 2-21-1



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