

Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association June-July-August Newsletter 2005

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Reminders For Coaches: Several important items to remember:

1. All-District nomination meetings on Sunday, July 10 and July 17 at 1:00 p.m. (Locations are listed below.)

You must be a member to vote and attend.

2. Enclosed you will find an All-Star nomination form for your best players. Return before deadline.

3. Also fill out the academic form and get it in on time. The meeting is soon after the deadline. **Remember to include extra-curricular activities. They are an important part of the selection process.** The top 20 players chosen are on the All Academic Team. The next 20 players chosen will receive Honorable Mention.

All District Meetings in Your Area:

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

NORTHWEST DISTRICT:

Sun. July 10, 2005 1:00 p.m.

Chairman, 1A Dean Harpenau @ Cherokee
2A Andy Van Fossan @ Cherokee

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT:

Sun. July 10, 2005 1:00 p.m.

Chairman, 1A Steve Westphal @ Creston
2A Dave Kuhl @ Audubon

WEST DISTRICT: 3A & 4A

Sun. July 17, 2005 1:00 p.m.

Chairman, 3A Dirk Troutman @ Carroll
4A Lee Toole @ Lewis Central

NORTHEAST DISTRICT:

Sun. July 10, 2005 1:00 p.m.

Chairman, 1A Randy Hoffman @ Waterloo West
2A Bruce Wall @ Waterloo West

Sun. July 17, 2005 1:00 p.m.

Chairman, 3A Mike Morrison @ West Delaware
4A Bret Hoyer @ Kennedy

CENTRAL DISTRICT:

Sun. July 10, 2005 1:00 p.m. @ Roland Story

Chairman, 1A Dan Kopriva
2A Dave Middleton

Sun. July 17, 2005 1:00 p.m. @ Ankeny High School

Chairman, 3A Al Lammers
4A Denny Barton
4A Steve Hanson

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT:

Sun. July 10, 2005 1:00 p.m. @ Iowa City Regina

Chairman, 1A Dave Rock
2A Jake Souhrada

Sun. July 17, 2005 1:00 p.m.

3A Mike Davis @ Fairfield
4A Jay Fitzgerald @ Muscatine Holiday Inn

The District Chairman will conduct the meeting. The chairman is the person elected for two years in each district unless otherwise indicated. Check the new roster of officers and directors in this newsletter for that information. **Make sure you bring your 2004-2005 Membership Card!**

All-Star Coaches Announced:

The following coaches will coach in the 28th Annual All-Star Series.

Large Schools (East) Dan Reid, Burlington (Head Coach); assisted by Tom Cronk, Iowa City West and Gordy Nordgren, C.R. Jefferson.

Large Schools (West) Lee Toole, Lewis Central (Head Coach); assisted by B.J. Koch, Sioux City West and Randy Wee, Johnston.

Small Schools (West) John Waddle, Coon Rapids (Head Coach); assisted by Rich Collison, Algona and Brad Hamilton, Bondurant-Farrar.

Small Schools (East) Mike Putz, Edgewood Colesburg (Head Coach); assisted by Chris Rogne, Clear Lake and Brian Miller, Mid-Prairie.

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

Schools That Will Play In The Large School Classification*****

Large Schools East: Bettendorf; Burlington; Cedar Falls; Cedar Rapids (3); Cedar Rapids Prairie; Cedar Rapids Xavier; Central DeWitt; Charles City; Clinton; Davenport (3); Decorah; Dubuque (3); Fairfield; Fort Madison; Iowa City (2); Keokuk; Linn Mar of Marion; Manchester West Delaware; Maquoketa; Marion; Mount Pleasant; Muscatine; North Scott; Pleasant Valley; Waterloo (2); Vinton-Shellsburg; Waverly-Shell Rock; Western Dubuque (36)

Large Schools West: Ames; Ankeny; Boone; Council Bluffs (2); Council Bluffs Lewis Central; Denison; Des Moines (5); Fort Dodge; Indianola; Johnston; Knoxville; LeMars; Marshalltown; Mason City; Newton; Norwalk; Oskaloosa; Ottumwa; Pella; Sioux City (4); Southeast Polk; Spencer; Storm Lake; Urbandale; Webster City; West Des Moines Dowling; West Des Moines Valley; Waukee (36)

This information was taken from the Beds document, page 18 of the IHSAA May Bulletin, 2004.

Medals Donated For The 2005 All-Star Series:

The Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association would like to thank George Long Co., Inc. of Des Moines for a generous donation of medals for the 2005 IHSBCA All-Star Series, to be held Aug. 4-5-6-7 in Cedar Rapids. Each player in the All-Star Series will receive a medal as has been the custom in previous years. The donation was arranged by Jim Gebhart, Athletic Director of Saydel High School of the Saylor Township. Gary and Sandy Nyhus donated the medals for the Academic All-State. Lanny Peterson of Cedar Rapids has continued to donate for the All-Star Series as well as Dr. Brad Hammer of Des Moines.

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All-Star Games Schedule: The players, coaches, umpires and staff will be staying at the Five Seasons Hotel in Cedar Rapids. The Honors Banquet will be held at the Five Seasons Hotel, Saturday night at 6:00 p.m. All games will be played at Veterans Memorial Park in Cedar Rapids.

1/ Players will arrive Thursday, August 4th. Individual pictures for inclusion in the program will be taken at check in.

2/ Players from Small Schools East will report by 10:30 a.m. Large Schools East players will report at 10:45 a.m.

3/ Players from Small Schools West will report at 11:00 a.m. and players from Large Schools West will report at 11:15 a.m.

4/ Practice for all teams will be 12:15 p.m.--2:45 p.m. Practice sites: Large East-Kennedy High Diamond; Large West-Xavier or Linn Mar High Diamond; Small West-Washington High Diamond; Small East-Jefferson High Diamond.

5/ First 7-inning games will be at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 4, Small Schools West vs. Large Schools West, followed by Small Schools East vs. Large Schools East.

6/ Second 7-inning games will be at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Aug 5, Small Schools West vs. Large Schools East, followed by Small Schools East vs. Large Schools West.

7/ Saturday, Aug. 6, games will begin at 11:00 a.m., Small Schools West vs. Small Schools East followed by Large Schools West vs. Large Schools East.

8/ At 6:00 p.m. Saturday, the Honors Banquet will be held at the Five Seasons Hotel in downtown Cedar Rapids.

9/ Sunday, Aug. 7, at 11:00 a.m., the two teams with poorest records will play for 3rd and 4th place. The two teams with best records will play for 1st and 2nd place following the first game.

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

All Star Squad Regulations:

1. Each squad will consist of 16 players (2 catchers, 4 pitchers, 5 infielders, 4 outfielders and 1 utility).

PLAYER SELECTION:

First priority: Coach's recommendation form

Second priority: All District Team

Third priority: Coach a member of the association.

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 players 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.

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

Future All-Star Series: The following locations have been set for future Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association All-Star series. 2006 will be held in Clinton Stadium. 2007 will be held in Waterloo.

All-State Selection Committee: The All-State Selection Committee will be chosen at the District Meetings! If you are interested, please volunteer at the District Meeting.

College Records For 2005 Season That Have Been Reported:

***Wartburg won the Iowa Conference Title and Tournament and

Briar Cliff	38-22	Luther	24-15
Buena Vista	18-25	Mount Mercy	43-25
Central	21-18	Morningside	42-18
Clarke	15-25	Muscatine Comm College	19-32
Coe	20-23	NIAC	40-15
Cornell	16-19	Northwestern	13-33
DMACC	22-25	St. Ambrose	29-22
Dordt	7-29	Simpson	19-19
Dubuque	19-18	Southwestern C.C.	20-28
Ellsworth	18-37	Univ. of Iowa	28-29
Graceland	23-30	Univ. of Northern Iowa	26-30
Grand View College	28-33	Upper Iowa Univ.	13-34
Grinnell College	13-20	Waldorf	22-33
Indian Hills	37-22	Wartburg	36-11
Iowa Central Comm	45-16	William Penn	47-17
Iowa Lakes	23-23		
Iowa Western	45-11		
Iowa Wesleyan	18-41		
Loras	14-25		

the Division III District going on to the Division III World Series.

***ICCAC won the Iowa JC Division II Championship for the 6th straight year.

***Mount Mercy had second most wins in school history!

***Morningside set a school record with 42 wins.

***Briar Cliff went to the NAIA Region IV and NAIA World Series.

***Iowa Western won the Iowa JC Division I Championship.

***University of Iowa ended up 3rd in Big Ten and played in the Big Ten Conference Tournament.



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College coaches who support IHSBCA through paid up membership for 2004-2005: This year we have 19 college coaches who became members of the IHSBCA. We thank them for supporting high school baseball in Iowa. Listed below are those coaches who joined the Association.

Rob Allison, Muscatine
 Jack Dahm, Univ. of Iowa
 Mike Cook, Southwestern
 Mark Danker, Upper Iowa
 Steve Eddie, Buena Vista
 Eric Frese, Clarke
 Shane Schellsmidt, Univ. of Dubuque
 Brian Gillogly, Luther
 Rick Heller-Univ. of Northern Iowa
 Mike Laird, Wm Penn
 John Lewis, Kirkwood

Brody McKillip, Graceland
 Rick Pederson, ICCC
 Justin Schulte, Mount Mercy
 John Sirianni, Simpson
 John Smith, DMACC
 Cam Walker, Indian Hills
 Lou Yacinich, Grand View
 Lonnie Winston, Southeastern

Plaques and Certificates need to be picked up! We have many plaques that were not picked up at the previous Award's banquet. If you wish to have the plaque sent to you, please remit \$10.00 for handling and postage. The following plaques are being held at my office: Larry Rhamy 400-Win Club; Jeff Scharn 400-Win Club; Bill Argo.

Pro-Line Caps for All-Star Series: The Pro-Line Cap company will provide the IHSBCA caps for the 2005 All-Star Series. The caps are of high quality and their support will help finance our annual event. Be sure you give Pro-Line a strong look when ordering your caps for 2005.

Former Iowa Players in Major Leagues:

Casey Blake (Indianola) Cleveland Indians, Cal Eldred (Cedar Rapids) St. Louis Cardinals, Jon Lieber (Council Bluffs Abe Lincoln) Phillies, Wes Obermuller (Vinton-Shellsburg) Brewers.

Triple A players are: Nate Frese (Benton-Norway) Cubs, Joel Hanrahan (Norwalk) Dodgers, Jim Magrane (Ottumwa) Tampa Bay, Mike Mahoney (West D.M. Dowling) Cardinals, Brad Nelson (Algona) Milwaukee, Todd Sears (Ankeny) Florida, Shawn Sedlacek (Cedar Rapids Kennedy) Colorado.

Double A players are: Jason Cromer (Des Moines Lincoln) Tampa Bay, Cory Harris (Davenport Assumption) Baltimore, Joel Hanrahan (Norwalk) Dodgers, Tim McClaskey (Wilton) Arizona, Ryan Sweeney (Cedar Rapids Xavier) White Sox, Nic Ungs (Dyersville-Beckman) Florida.

Class A players are: Adam Boeve, (Central Lynn) (Pirates), Joshua Habel, (Dubuque Hempstead) Brewers, Zach Hammes (Iowa City High) Dodgers, Nathan Johnson (Oskaloosa), Phillies, James Peterson (Winterset) Los Angeles Dodgers, Ryan Prahm (C.R. Kennedy) Blue Jays, Cory Schultz (Dubuque) Phillies, Greg Thissen (Davenport Assumption) Washington, Chris Tritle (Center Point) Oakland, Ryan Trytten (Ottumwa) Braves.

Catching Up Column: A number of Iowans have dropped out of Pro baseball. Check the updated list with the last newsletter list. Don't forget to nominate a Media person or Contributor for outstanding contributions to baseball in your District. You can pick up the nomination forms at the All-District Meetings or in the last newsletter or on the web site. **Make sure you check your District if you are a 3A School!** They were published in the last newsletter or check it out on the web site.

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Iowa to be part of Summer Baseball Rankings by BCA :
 Iowa's baseball teams will be included in the Top 10 ranking of the three states playing high school summer baseball.

The top 10 poll will be conducted by the National High School Baseball Coaches Association. The Top 10 will be included in the BCA's newspaper EXTRA INNINGS. A pre-season Top 10 will be in the May 30 issue followed by regular season rankings in the June 11 and 26 issues and the final Top 10 in the August 6 publication.

"We believe the Top 10 rankings will give additional coverage of the outstanding baseball played during the summer in Iowa, Wisconsin and Illinois," said BCA national Ranking Committee Chair George Brumfield of Wayne (WV) High.

Lee Toole, Lewis Central High Coach, is the Iowa representative for the Top 10 summer rankings.

Rating Poll: Check our website weekly for the rating poll. Thanks to Lee Toole of Lewis Central, Chairman, and his committee for the excellent job they do each week. We are getting a lot of hits on the website. Make sure you go to www.iowahsbca.com

Diamond and Wilson Baseballs: Baseballs will be donated once again for this year's All-Star games, practice and olympics. Thanks to Diamond and Wilson for donating baseballs for the series.

**MEETING MINUTES
 OFFICERS and STEERING COMMITTEE
 APRIL 26, 2005**

The meeting, held at Cedar Rapids Memorial Stadium, was called to order by President Jerry Roling at 4:50 PM.

The purpose of the spring meeting is to review the past year's events. The committee is comprised of dues paying past presidents. Their function is to oversee the organization, help Pinky in his activities as Executive Secretary, and discuss and consider recommendations made by other members of the association.

Pinky reported that there are approx. 775 IHSBCA members, and that new membership forms will be available at the rules meetings around the state this year.

The 2004 All-Star Series was reviewed. Pictures were discussed, and it was decided that the photo information should be included in the players packets in order for the parents to have more time to decide on photo packages. Team posters, new in 2004, were very successful, and will be available in at the 2005 All-Star Series in Cedar Rapids.

The line-up for the Baseball Olympics was addressed, and the decision was made to make the base-running segment the final event, to allow more time for the runners after breakfast.

Next on the agenda was reviewing the 2005 Clinic. The speakers and their topics were discussed. Also, it was asked if a possibility of additional speakers could be added to the list of potential clinicians, as well as the prospect of having various high school coaches speak at the clinic. If you have any suggestions for this, please contact an officer or steering committee member, and it will be forwarded accordingly.

It was noted that the mini clinic hosts should contact their speakers prior to the session, in order to have a good idea of the topic to be discussed, as well as any key points the speaker may want to have addressed.

Also discussed was to call the All-Star coaches Thursday night after being chosen, to possibly get them to the clinic Saturday morning for introduction.

Phil Katz presented a rough draft agenda for the 2005 All-Star Series in Cedar Rapids.

The 2006 Series will be held in Clinton, and 2007 is tentatively scheduled for Waterloo.

Next, Roger Barr submitted to the committee that the IHSBCA Hall of Fame Award winners be presented at the State Baseball Tournament in Des Moines. It was the committee's decision that this would be the appropriate setting, and be in front of a more appreciative crowd.

Finally, the process for deciding the All-District and State coaches of the year was reviewed and discussed. No changes need to be made to this procedure.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

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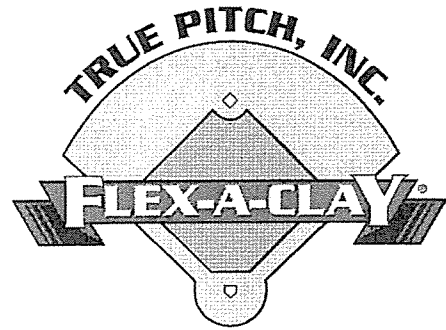
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