

Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association June-July-August- Newsletter 2006

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Reminders For Coaches: Several important items to remember:

1. All-District nomination meetings on Sunday, July 9 and July 16 at 1:00 p.m. (Time and 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.** 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 9, 2006 1:00 p.m.

Chairman, 1A Jeff Scharn @ Sioux Central
2A Andy VanFossan @ Cherokee

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT:

Sun. July 9, 2006 1:00 p.m. @ Creston

Chairman, 1A Steve Westphal
2A Jeff Douglas

WEST DISTRICT: 3A & 4A

Sun. July 16, 2006 1:00 p.m.

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

NORTHEAST DISTRICT:

Sun. July 9, 2006 1:00 p.m. @ Jesup

Chairman, 1A Randy Hoffman
2A Bruce Wall

Sun. July 16, 2006 1:00 p.m.

Chairman, 3A Mike Morrison @ Manchester
4A Bret Hoyer @ Kennedy

CENTRAL DISTRICT:

Sun. July 9, 2006 1:00 p.m. @ Roland-Story

Chairman, 1A Dan Kopriva
2A Dave Middleton

Sun. July 16, 2006 1:00 p.m.

Chairman, 3A Al Lammers @ Norwalk
4A Denny Barton @ Ankeny
4A Steve Hanson @ Ankeny

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT:

Sun. July 9, 2006 1:00 p.m. @ Iowa City Regina

Chairman, 1A Dave Rock
2A Jake Souhrada

Sun. July 16, 2006 1:00 p.m.

Chairman, 3A Mike Potter @ Washington
4A Jay Fitzgerald @ Muscatine Holiday Inn

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.

All-Star Coaches Announced:

The following men have been selected to coach in the 30th Annual All-Star Series.

Large Schools (East) Denny Knoop, Iowa City High (Head Coach) assisted by Casey Bryant, Western Dubuque and Trent Snowden, Clinton.

Large Schools (West) Monte Friestad, Waukee (Head Coach) assisted by George Callsen, Dowling Catholic and Mark Hey, Ankeny.

Small Schools (West) Matt Zoske, Webster City (Head Coach) assisted by Eric Trudo, Van Meter and JR Gebhart, Saydel.

Small Schools (East) Randy Chamberlin, Center Point-Urbana (Head Coach) assisted by Chris Coffman, Grinnell and Daryl Cochran, Camanche.

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; Knoxville; Linn Mar of Marion; Manchester West Delaware; Mount Pleasant; Muscatine; North Scott; Pella; Pleasant Valley; Vinton-Shellsburg; Waterloo (2); 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; Glenwood; Harlan; Indianola; Johnston; LeMars; Marshalltown; Mason City; Newton; Norwalk; Oskaloosa; Ottumwa; 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 12 of the IHSAA May Bulletin, 2006.

Medals Donated For The 2006 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 2006 IHSBCA All-Star Series, to be held Aug. 3-4-5-6 in Clinton. 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 donate the medals for the Olympics.

Web Site

www.iowahsbca.com

All-Star Games Schedule: The players, coaches, umpires and staff will be staying at the Frontier Inn in Clinton. The Honors Dinner will be held at the Eagle Point Lodge Saturday night at 6:00 p.m. All games will be played at River View Stadium.

- 1/ Players will arrive Thursday, August 3rd. Individual pictures for inclusion in the program will be taken after 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 West teams will be 12:15 p.m.--2:45 p.m. Practice for the East teams will be from 2:45 p.m.--4:15 p.m. Small West and Small East-City Freshman Diamond near Stadium; Large West and Large East-Camanche High Diamond.
- 5/ First Round 7-inning games will start at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 3, Small Schools West vs. Large Schools West, followed by Small Schools East vs. Large Schools East.
- 6/ Second Round 7-inning games will start at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 4, Small Schools West vs. Large Schools East, followed by Small Schools East vs. Large Schools West.
- 7/ Saturday, Aug. 5, 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 Dinner will be held at the Eagle Point Park Lodge in Clinton.
- 9/ Sunday, Aug. 6, at 11:00 a.m., the two teams with the 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.
- 11/ 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 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.

****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. 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 2006 Season That Have Been Reported:

Ashford	21-20	Iowa Wesleyan	26-26
Briar Cliff	14-25	Kirkwood Comm. College	38-14
Buena Vista	14-24	Loras	18-22
Central	26-14	Luther	17-21
Clark	14-26	Mount Mercy	20-33
Coe	27-19	Morningside	9-30
Cornell	19-19	Muscatine Comm College	25-25
DMACC	27-18	NIAC	35-20
Dordt	10-26	Northwestern	19-21
Dubuque	14-25	St. Ambrose	26-23
Ellsworth	15-35	Simpson	26-10
Graceland	18-27	Southeastern C.C.	33-24
Grand View College	30-23	Southwestern Comm.	18-35
Grinnell College	16-18	Univ. of Iowa	23-33
Indian Hills	45-12	Univ. of Northern Iowa	28-27
Iowa Central Comm. College	39-16	Upper Iowa Univ.	26-24
Iowa Western	34-10	Waldorf	23-24
		Wartburg	27-15
		William Penn	32-14


Wartburg won their 8th consecutive Iowa Conference.

Justin Schulte of Southeastern C.C. received his 300th win: 3rd most wins in schools history.

Brady McKillip of Graceland has his 100th win this year! Finished 6th in the Heart of America Conference.

Coe goes to the NCAA Division III District Regionals.

Lou Yacinich won his 1,000 game and Qualify for Region 7 NAIA.



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Justin Schulte, Southeastern
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 Jack Dahm, Univ. of Iowa
 Mark Danker, Upper Iowa
 John Davis, DMACC
 Desi Druschel, Mount Mercy
 Steve Eddie, Buena Vista
 Frank Fishler, Cornell
 Brian Gillogly, Luther
 Rick Heller-Univ. of Northern Iowa
 Tim Hollibaugh, Grinnell
 Joel Holst, Wartburg

Todd Huckabone, IA Wesleyan
 Mike Laird, Wm Penn
 John Lewis, Kirkwood
 Joel Luken, Ellsworth
 Brody McKillip, Graceland
 Rick Pederson, ICC
 Todd Rima, NIACC
 John Sirianni, Simpson
 John Smith, DMACC
 Cam Walker, Indian Hills
 Lou Yacinich, Grand View

Pro-Line Caps for All-Star Series: The Pro-Line Cap company will provide the IHSBCA caps for the 2006 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 2007.

Former Iowa Players in Major Leagues:

Casey Blake, (Indianola) Cleveland Indians; Jon Lieber, (Council Bluffs Abe Lincoln) Phillies;

Triple A players are: Jason Cromer (Des Moines Lincoln) Tampa Bay; Mike Mahoney (West D.M. Dowling) Blue Jays; Brad Nelson (Algona) Milwaukee; Wes Obermueller (Vinton) Braves; Todd Sears (Ankeny) Seattle; Greg Thissen (Davenport Assumption) Montreal; Mitch Wylie (Princeton) White Sox. Ryan Sweeney (Cedar Rapids Xavier) White Sox; Nic Ungs (Dyersville-Beckman) Florida.

Double A players are: Joel Hanrahan (Norwalk) Dodgers; Tim McClaskey (Wilton) Marlins; Jim Magrane (Ottumwa) Tampa Bay;

Class A players are: Ryan Fitzgerald (West Des Moines Valley) White Sox; Cory Harris (Davenport Assumption) Mets; Zach Hammes (Iowa City High) Dodgers; Ryan Prahm (C.R. Kennedy) Cleveland;

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. Check out the the new All-District Ballots.

Death Claims Baseball Coaches: The IHSBCA lost former members with the passing of Kenn McNutt of Springville and Lloyd Spier of Cedar Rapids Kennedy. Kenn has been a long time member of the Association. Lloyd starting his coaching career at C.R. Washington as an assistatand was then Head Coach at Cedar Rapids Kenndy.

Please take some time and nominate a deserving baseball diamond for the Annual District Diamond Award. You can do your nomination at the District Meeing in July!

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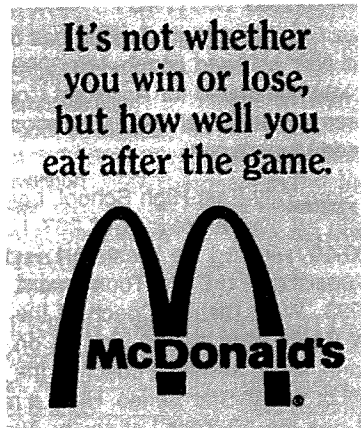
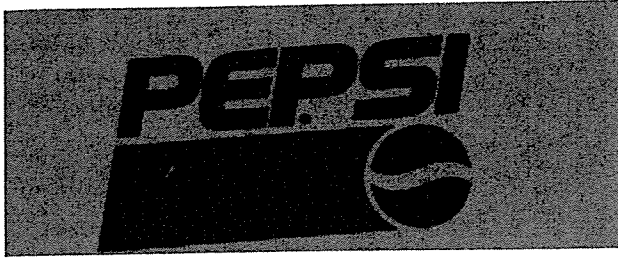
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IHSBCA Spring Meeting Wednesday, April 26th, 2006: Kernels Stadium

Present: Roling, Katz, Toole, Core, Stumpff, Souhrada, Pomeroy, Lebo, Hoyer

Topics discussed and summaries:

All State voting guidelines: No intra-district 2nd team player can "jump" a 1st team All district player when being named to an All State team. (i.e. A 2nd team All District Shortstop from the 4A West district cannot take an all state SS position ahead of a 1st team all district shortstop from 4A West).

Stats that are used when voting for All State players and All District Players will be stats from the regular season games only. The nomination form for All State selection committee to consider must be filled out at the All District meeting with the regular season stats only.

Evaluation of the 2005 All Star Series. Phil Katz presented and the members at the meeting commented on the outstanding job he did. Phil recognized a problem with a lot of people looking for free food. The food and beverages are for the players and coaches. Once the players and coaches have all been served, then others can come forward for food. Other suggestions:

Hire someone to sell advertising - (10%?)

We will need a professional photographer this year
Need to get envelopes of information out to parents and kids that are selected.
Send this to the parents when notifying them of their selection.
Include in the letter/envelope the necessary envelopes the photographer requires.
The Olympics continues to go well
Katz raised over \$3,000 in donations and advertising.
Clinton appears to be on track with Lenny Weih, Dave Rock, Tom Souhrada, and Paul Keitel heading up the All Star Series this summer.

Des Moines needs to take a turn at hosting this event. Every game does not need to be played at Principal Park. Des Moines has never hosted? Why not?
Some times we do need to pay to play on a particular field. Finding advertisers and sponsors will help to take care of any field usage fees.

Proposed schedule for All Star Series host:

2006: Clinton; 2007: Waterloo; 2008: Des Moines; 2009: Council Bluffs; 2010: Iowa City; 2011: Carroll; 2012: Cedar Rapids

It was noted that the All Star Series was never intended to be a fund raiser for the association

Evaluation of the Clinic

Need more space for exhibitors or fewer exhibitors. Need to take care of the people who have been regular exhibitors at our Clinic. Be careful not to overbook. Some of the best supporters (like Graphic Edge) deserve preferential treatment for booth location.

Speakers at this year's clinic were excellent.

Let's get the host and the mini-clinic speaker to meet BEFORE the mini-clinics begin so they can touch base about pertinent issues.

There is a strong sentiment from association members that Iowa High School coaches (particularly state championship coaches) be given an opportunity to speak in some fashion (either in mini-clinics or as main speakers) as was done in the past. A mix of college, pro, and high school speakers would be well received. It seems we have gone full circle here as in the past (when clinic was in March) we used to have a large percentage of high school speakers as the college and pro guys were busy at that time. Now there is sentiment to bring an Iowa high school element back to the line up of speakers.

It's ok to rotate college speakers every other year or every 3rd year. We don't need to see the same college speakers every year and this would give the opportunity to hear other college coaches speak. Iowa and UNI could rotate every other year, there could be a 3 or 4 year rotation among certain junior college and division 3 coaches. The same for division 2 and NAIA coaches.

Banquet

An issue for the awards committee to consider was brought up: Do a smaller awards ceremony at the Saturday Luncheon (similar to what ABCA does). Give win club, longevity, all district awards, etc. at this luncheon - more coaches will be present and it will be a more efficient manner of disseminating awards/certificates.

Change Longevity awards to 15 - 25 - 35 - and 50 year awards to model after the IHSAA. The IHSAA modeled their program after the National Association. This is another issue for the Awards committee to consider.

Speaker: What is the role of the speaker? It was discussed that the role of a speaker should be to inform and/or entertain. Is this consistent with the purpose of our banquet. The purpose of our banquet is to honor and recognize. We allow 3-4 minutes per speaker for the featured Hall of Fame members; yet allow much more time for the speaker. We also allow the media and contributor of the year the opportunity to speak but don't give the state coaches/umpire of the year an opportunity to speak and thank his assistants, etc. etc.

To speed things up a little bit we should get started as soon as the last person gets his food.

Friday Night Social

Concerns rose about the noise level at Muddy Waters due to the fact that they always have a live band scheduled for that particular Friday night. Hoyer will re-evaluate the location of the social.

Evaluation of Spring Meeting

The Spring meeting is a great idea - an opportunity to speak casually and trouble shoot/brainstorm ideas for the membership/steering committee to consider. The timing is good as it's still close enough to the clinic to recall pertinent issues and discuss possible solutions to any concerns that were raised by association members at the clinic.

Minutes respectfully submitted for approval by Bret Hoyer, 5/8/06

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