

Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association

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HALL OF FAME-INDUCTS SIX NEW MEMBERS: The Coaches' Association inducted into its Hall of Fame Six more outstanding baseball men. They were: Art Fish, Story City; Connie Goodman, Fort Dodge; Mel Happel, Victor; Mel Martens, Alden; Tom Vincent, Council Bluffs; Dick Wagner, Burlington. Each member received a plaque and a certificate. Many past Hall of Fame members returned to enjoy the clinic and banquet and help honor the new members.

SUCCESSFUL CLINIC: The Tenth Annual Clinic was another successful one. Here are the figures that will show the growth of the Clinic over the past ten years.

1969--160	1971--264	1973--450	1975--563	1977--785
1970--195	1972--420	1974--465	1976--480	1978--775

The Saturday Snow storm stopped another record attendance.

The Clinic speakers did another tremendous job once again. I want to thank everyone for their support for making the clinic and meetings the success that there were.

All sessions were taped. If you are interested in hearing any of the speakers, you may send \$3.00 and you will receive a cassette with the topic of your choice. The mini clinics were not taped. Send in your order now and you will get your cassette in the near future.

1979 ELEVENTH ANNUAL CLINIC: The Eleventh Annual Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association Clinic will be held March 9 and 10th, at Washington High School, Cedar Rapids. Some outstanding speakers have already been lined uped.

COACHES OF YEAR: CLASS A : JIM MAHONEY, Johnson High School, was elected Class A Coach of the Year. Jim did an outstanding job during the year, winning the Class A Championship. He also served on the All-Star committee. His over-all record is 124-87. Jim's 1977 team record was 25-7. Congratulations Jim Mahoney.

CLASS AA: JIM ELLWANGER, St. Edmond Fort Dodge, was elected Class AA Coach of the Year. Jim's over-all record is 180-68. His 1977 team record was 32-6. Jim's team finished fourth in the State Tournament. Jim served as Co-Chairman of the All Star Committee last year. He is a Charter Member of the Association. Congratulations Jim Ellwanger.

The Coach of Year receives a beautiful ring and certificate!

DISTRICT COACHES OF THE YEAR: Ten District Coaches were honored. Class A were V.J. Meyer, Bancroft, N.W. District; Terry Heald, M.F.L. Monona, N.E. District; Jim Mahoney, Johnson, Central District; Chuck Wolever, St. Albert Council Bluffs, S.W. District; Steve Reinert, Durant, S.E. District.

CLASS AA: Everett Johnson, Sheldon, N.W. District; James Laake, Benton, N.E. District; Jim Ellwanger, St. Edmond, Central District; Joel Franken, Denison, S.W. District; Len Kohse, Davenport West, S.E. District.

Congratulation to each District winner.

Each coach was nominated last July at the District Coaches meeting held in the respective Districts. A candidate must be a member of the Coaches Association. He must have coached for a least two years in his present school. He must be a promoter of High School Baseball in his District. These are the qualifications to become the District Coach of the Year. Each coach received a certificate and trophy.

AL SEABROOKE NEW PRESIDENT: Al Seabrooke, Valley of Elgin, will guide the Association through 1978-79. Al was elected President along with the other officers during the General Meeting held Friday March 10. The new Officers are: President, Al Seabrooke, Valley of Elgin; Vice President, Dave Posegate, Ames; Treasurer, Terry Heald, M.F.L. Monona; Secretary, Byron Rhodes, B.C.L. Conrad; Executive Secretary, Harold "Pinky" Primrose, Cedar Rapids Washington. Feel free to contact any officer if you would like to see things happen.

FINANCIAL HELP FROM I.H.S.A.A.: The High School Athletic Association helped on the expenses for the clinic instructional staff once again. A real big thank you is due the Board of Control and Bernie Saggau, Dave Hardy for their help and support of the Clinic.

CONTRIBUTOR OF YEAR AWARD TO TOM STRODE: President Jim Schulz honored Tom Stode of Des Moines, for his contribution to the coaches association over the past year. Tom Strode was the man who made it possible for the All Star Game, by donating \$1,000.00 to underwrite expenses. Tom is a bird-dog scout for the Cardinals, and a member of the association. Congratulation to Tom Strode.

MEDIA AWARD WINNER: Gary Richards, Ames Tribune was honored for his outstanding sports page and his contribution to high school baseball over the past year. Gary promoted the All Star Game and covered it very well. Congratulation to Gary Richards.

CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES: Would the conference representatives please send in your conference schedules to the Executive Secretary. This is needed in case a scout call's and asked for a team's schedule. Every coach should send his roster and schedule to all the college coaches in Iowa and the Area scouts. Listed in this newsletter are the Area scouts.

SCOUTING INFORMATION: A standard roster form is now being used to give scouts and visiti ng teams. The roster form under 12 headings, supplies the following information.

UNIFORM NUMBER, NAME, POSITION, BATS & THROWS, HEIGHT, WEIGHT, CLASS, BIRTH DATE, HOME ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER, AND SCHOOL.

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

PEPSI BREAKS FOR TENTH YEAR: The Pepsi Cola Co. of Cedar Rapids has sponsored the Pepsi Break for the past ten years. If you have a minute, write Bill Pitlik, President, Pepsi Cola Co., Cedar Rapids, Ia. 52403, and thank him for his contribution to our clinic. When you take your team out on the road, take a case of pepsi along.

THANKS FOR OUR ADVERTISERS: A big thanks to all our advertisers for coming to the clinic and displaying. This year we had a record attendance of advertisers. Those attending this year's clinic were: Eby's Sporting Goods, 10th year; C.R. Sporting Goods, 10th year; The Jym Bag, 2 years; Midwest Sports, 2 years; Louisville Sluggers, 4th year; Wilson Sporting Goods Co. 4th year; Bill Pinckard Baseballs, 3rd year; A.T.E.C. Pitching Machine, 1st year; Sports Equipment Inc, Curvemaster, 5th year; Diamond Baseballs, 1st year; Mr. Maxwell Drag, 3rd year; Vic Young Sporting Goods, 1st year; Iowa Sports Supply, 2nd year; J.De Beer & Son Inc., 2nd year. Many thanks to all our advertisers.

MCDONALDS SPONSORED FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETIC BREAKFAST: Jerry Mrozinski, owner of McDonalds in Cedar Rapids has sponsored the Breakfast for the past five years. This year's attendance for the breakfast was over 125 young people and coaches. We hope in the future this can be one of the highlights of the clinic. Thanks to McDonalds for their support.

CALLING IN YOUR GAMES: We would like to remind you coaches to send in to your local newspaper or the nearest newspaper plus the Des Moines Register the results of your baseball games. Call in your score to the radio and television stations in your local area. Promote baseball by helping the media people. In the long run it will help your program. Would you like the success of the football and basketball programs in our state. If you want that success, start promoting your program. You owe it to your ball players, and fans to call in your scores.

ALL STAR GAME AUGUST 12-13: The Second Annual All Star Game will be held in Iowa City, University of Iowa's Baseball Diamond, August 12 and 13th. Any coach that feels he has a player or two that should be playing in the All Star Game should fill out the Player Recommendation Sheet that is enclosed in this newsletter. Please enclose a photo of your player in his uniform on the recommendation sheet. The guide lines for the All Star selection will be the same as last year. These rules were printed in the March-April Newsletter. All the advanced information we can get on the best ball players in the state would help in the selection of the best All Stars.

This year's All Star Banquet will be at the Highlander Inn. The public is invited. This Banquet will be held on Friday, August 11.

Any Umpire that wishes to work in the All Star Game should contact the Executive Secretary.

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

JAY HANKINS
Central Scouting
9309 E. 84th Terrace
Raytown, Mo. 64138

RICHARD KLAUS
GIANTS
975 N. Dunham
Decatur, Ill.

BILL CLARK
CINCINNATI REDS
3906 Grace Ellen Dr.
Columbia, Mo. 65201

ROBERT OLDIS
EXPOS
306 Virginia Dr.
Iowa City, Ia. 52240

NICK KAMZIC
ANGELS
5322 S. Western Ave.
Chicago, Ill. 60609

STEVE VRABLIK
WHITE SOX
7109 Monroe St.
Niles, Ill. 60648

DON LENHARDT
Red Sox
9839 Delhi Dr.
St. Louis, Mo. 63137

MARV OLSON
TWINS
Box 95
Gayville, S. Dak 57031

ED CHARLES
METS
5208 Lister Ave.
Kansas City, Mo. 64130

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April 24, 1978

Dear Colleagues,

I hope you are preparing yourself to do a top-notch professional job in coaching this season in the number one sport in the country and in the number one state for high school baseball. Among your priorities should be your commitment to your athletes, during your pre-season preparation, during the season and at the conclusion of the season.

In all three of these periods your Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association is assisting you. The annual clinic provides you with outstanding programs for your pre-season conditioning and training, outstanding help for in-season strategy, planning, and motivation. Your association is instrumental in providing motivation through the weekly rating polls. Finally at the conclusion of the season the IHSBCA sponsored all-district selections and the state all-star game series gives your athletes a climactic goal toward which to strive.

These benefits for you and your charges, however, require your contribution too. Of the 400 plus IHSBCA members only about one-fourth of you helped select all-district teams. This has been a real disappointment in my eight years of attending these meetings. In 1977 for example the Northeast District Class A teams were selected by five coaches. I'm sure some outstanding athletes were overlooked. We selected those teams from perhaps 20 nomination ballots submitted, out of a total of about 70-80 schools.

Your association has responded to all of your suggestions in recent years to make this process more effective. And the result, participation, has changed little. The same 15-20 responsible coaches attend the meeting and very few new faces appear.

This is the same story I hear from the other four districts.

Let's make this years goal to get 50% involvement in each district meeting. The selection of members of the four all-star teams came from the all-district teams. We want the best players possible in this terrific climax to the great sport season. You owe it to your players to do this. Seldom have coaches who attended the all-district meetings gone away disappointed. Those who weren't in attendance often are.

Yours in the number one sport,



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April 4, 1978

Association Members,

Having completed my term in office I have been most gratified by the reponse received by the membership in making this Association a most vibrant and productive organization. The above named officers that served with me have demonstrated that the Association is in very good hands for this coming year.

Your Committee Chairmen Dennis Olejniczak, Marv Thelen, Joel Franken, Dick Core, Jim Ellwanger, Doug Albertson, Mick Mattiace, Jim Jagim and Dean Witmer have contributed heavily toward making this Association more responsive to the membership.

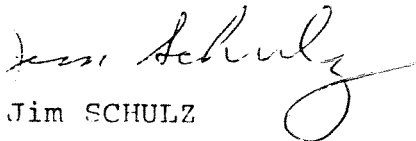
The continued excellent administration and promotion of IHSBCA by our Executive Secretary "Pinky" Primrose has been a most notable and stabilizing influence. This years clinic has to rank as one of the best thanks again to "Pinky" and his Committee.

The District Directors did an outstanding job this past summer in holding the summer meetings and I urge all members to support the Directors by being in attendance this coming summer.

The advancements we have seen this past year were those started by many different members over the years and we can be proud, as Iowa baseball coaches, to now have a two class baseball championship, an All-Star game, providing a ring for the Coaches of the Year, no restrictions on the number of baseball games played except by local decision, the movement to establish By-Laws for the Association and the thrust of using our past-presidents to better serve IHSBCA.

Thank you for your ambitiousness and motivation in making 1977 a good year for Iowa baseball.

Sincerely,


Jim SCHULZ

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Board Meeting - March 9, 1978

Jim Schulz called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The following officers were found to be in attendance:

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>
Dave Posegate - Secretary	Ames
Al Seabrooke - Vice President	Valley, Elgin
Ron Welsch	Eddyville
Jim Ellwanger	Univ. of Iowa
Bill Sapp - Treasurer	Boone
Jim Jagim	Valley WDM
Dick Wagner	Burlington
Terry Heald	MFL - Monona
Steve Duncan	Muscatine
Mick Mattiace	Cedar Rapids Prarie
Jerry Barnhalut	Burlington
Jim Scholten	Neveda
Pinky Primrose	Cedar Rapids Wash.
Jim Schulz - President	Bettendorf
Vern Bredeson	Cedar Rapids Jeff.
Bill Freese	Central Davenport
Dale Allensworth	Jefferson
Joel Franken	Denison
Jake Grasmick	Shenandoah
Stuart McCord	Galva
Marv Thelen	Remsen, St. Mary's
Jim Mahoney	Johnston
Bob Watson	DM Hoover
Keith Christie	Algona
Dick Core	Dubuque

Minutes were approved for the preceding meeting on October 1, 1977 in Ames.

Financial Report: Pinky Primrose

Marv Thelan moved and it was seconded to accept the financial report.

Presidents Report: Jim Schulz

1. The association has made great strides in the past year.
2. The All-Star game was a success.
3. Constitution - we must look at by-laws.
4. Having the Certificates available to coaches at the District Meeting worked well.
5. We still need more thrust to get 1A coaches involved.

Executive Secretary Report: Pinky Pimrose

Over 50% of head baseball coaches have joined the organization. Pinky emphasized the need for more membership from umpires.

Other items discussed:

1. Players and coaches might be looked at more closely for the Hall of Fame.
2. All-Star Game is catching fire.
3. Suggested we continue to get more input from the steering committee.
4. Suggested we write Wilson and thank them for bringing us Lefty Gomez.
5. Because of our increase in income it was suggested that we might want to budget some money to have someone do our income tax.

All District Committee: Denny Olenjiczak

No Report

All State Coach - Dick Core

People are happy with past procedures. It was suggested by Pinky that each year the ring be made available to past coaches of the year at 50% cost to coaches.

Hall of Fame: Marv Thelen

No Report

Constitution Committee: Doug Albertson

No Report

Membership Committee: Joel Franken

Joel discussed the procedures used for the membership drive - a drive was organized for fans and umpires.

All - State Rating Committee: Bob Watson

Bob has checked with Chuck Burdick and the same procedure will be followed as in the past.

All - Star Game: Jim Ellwanger

Guidelines for the 1978 All - Star Series were passed out and discussed.

Steering Committee: Mick Matteace

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Letters were sent to 6 coaches in regard to two openings for officers. Elections tomorrow.

Unfinished Business:

The limitation on number of baseball games played during the summer was discussed. Three classes for summer baseball was discussed.

New Business:

Al Seabrooke moved to increase the Executive Secretary's salary to \$780. It was seconded by Watson and the motion carried.

The 1978 calander was approved.

Bill Sapp moved that we pay for 1/2 of the cost for coaches of the year rings starting with 1975 - 76 season for two years at a time. Dick Core seconded the motion which passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

MEMBERSHIP:

Vic Belger, Rockwell City (Chairman)
Keith Christe, Algona
Bob Beilstein, N.W. Webster
Charles Stalker, Rockford
Steve Rienert, Durant
Jim VanSoyoc, Norway

HALL OF FAME

Chairman, Bill Freese, Davenport
Marv Thelen, Remsen, St. Marys
Jim Denner, Waverly, Shell-Rock
Don Hogan, Granville-Spaulding
Ed Feyen, Dubuque Wahlert

CONSTITUTION/BY LAWS

Chairman, Doug Albertson, Anamosa
Bob Hines, Anamosa
Tom Jenk, Dyersville Beckman

ALL STATE COACH OF YEAR

Chairman, Don Mauro, D.M. Dowling
Tim Capel, Council Bluffs, St. Albei
Lon Spurgin, Ft. Madison Aquinas
Steve Moon, Amana

ALL DISTRICT

Chairman, Rich Rambo, Ft. Madison
Ron Vick, Mar Mac
Mike Yantis, Reinbeck
Lon Spurgin, Aquinas, Ft. Madison
Jerry Van Dyke, Tipton

RATING POLL

Chairman, Bob Watson, D.M. Hoover
Board of Directors plus one

NOMINATION/STEERING

Chairman, Jim Schulz, Bettendorf
Past Presidents

ALL STAR GAME

Chairman, Jim Mahoney, Johnson
Dave Posegate, Ames
Bob Sapp, Johnson
Jim Jagim, West D.M. Valley
Pat Cole, Ballard
Jim Sholten, Nevada
Clair Rierson, I.S.U.

UMPIRES

Lanny Peterson, Cedar Rapids, Chairman
Bob Burns, Clinton
Doc Bates, Ottumwa
Larry Peterson, Sioux Rapids
King Schaudt, Slater
Bob Vrbicek, Cedar Rapids
Don Proctor, Burlington

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ANNUAL MEETING

March 10, 1978

Jim Schulz called the meeting to order at 10:40 A.M. and introduced the new board members. The minutes were accepted from the March 11, 1977 meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Pinky Primrose

Lowell Thompson moved and Marv Thelen seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report. It passed. Ron Welsch reported the books were in order.

President's Report: Jim Schulz

The President recognized the officers and committee chairmen for doing a good job the past year.

Executive Secretary's Report: Pinky Primrose

Next year the Friday night board meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn.

All - District Report: Denny Olenjiczak

Problems getting enough of a cross section of coaches in helping with selection of players.

2 AA teams picked

2 A teams picked

Meetings will be held on separate weekends next year.

It is important to get results to All - Star coaches by the next day. The two year representative is responsible to get the meeting site.

All - State Coach: Dick Core

Reported selection process was working well. Past coaches of the year can purchase a ring. Pinky moved that all coaches can vote for A and AA coaches of the year and all - district players. Jim Van Scoy seconded - it passed.

Hall of Fame: Marv Thelen

Responsibility of nominations rests with the committee. Limit number of people in each category. Lowell Thompson seconded - it passed. Bill Freese will be the new chairman for the Hall of Fame committee.

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Constitution Report: Doug Albertson

Doug felt we must rewrite the by-laws with the different

committees and their responsibilities put in writing. Doug

asked the committee chairmen to submit in written form the

duties of each committee.

Membership: Joel Franken

Joel contacted college coaches, conference champs, fans,

umpires and friends of baseball. Joel recommended he have one

member on the committee from each district. It was decided to

reimburse the committee for postage.

All - State Rating: Bob Watson

Jim Scholten suggested we get team records on rating poll.

Ron Welsch suggested we call in scores of games.

All - Star Game: Jim Ellwanger

Jim made these new suggestions:

1. Divide the state by districts except for central

districts and use highway 30 for the division line in that

district.

2. Umpiring - turn selection over to an umpire in the

area and he will select 4 per day. The following criteria

will be used:

1. A member of the association

2. Worked state tournament

3. Recommended by coaches

4. Attended clinic

Jim Schulz moved to accept the report. It was seconded by

Dick Wagner. Motion passed.

Communications:

A discussion was held on going to three classes. It was

decided to take it to the district meetings and report the

results back to Al Seabrooke.

Elections were held for treasurer and secretary for the

next year. Winners were: Treasurer - Terry Heald

Secretary - Byron Rhoads

Meeting was adjourned 12:00 noon.

SENIORS ONLY

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PLAYER RECOMMENDATION
SECOND ANNUAL ALL STAR GAME

CLASS A () NORTH ()
CLASS AA () SOUTH ()

NAME _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

HIGH SCHOOL _____ ADDRESS _____

HOME ADDRESS _____ HOME PHONE _____

CITY _____

HEIGHT _____ WEIGHT _____ AGE _____
Ft. In.

PLAYER POSITION _____

BATS R L THROWS R L
AB R H 2B 3B HR BB K SB RBI AVG.

1976											
1977											

ALL DISTRICT _____ ALL STATE _____

PITCHERS INFORMATION

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1977										

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (Use back if necessary)

COACHES NAME _____

ADDRESS HOME _____

PHONE _____

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