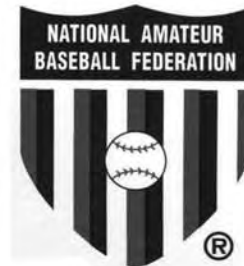




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14 and under NABF Regional Classic Tournament action at Detwiler Park in Toledo, Ohio (NABF photo by Harold Hamilton/www.hehphotos.lifepics.com).

2009 NABF Annual Meeting to be in Annapolis, Maryland

The 95th Annual Meeting of the National Amateur Baseball Federation will be Thursday, November 5 to Sunday, November 8, 2009 in Annapolis, Maryland.

The Director's Meeting is Friday, November 6 and the delegates meeting, for all NABF franchised member associations, is Saturday, November 7. All NABF meetings are planned to be held at the Double Tree Hotel.

This event will be hosted by Maryland State Baseball Association and will be held at the Double Tree Hotel of Annapolis at 210 Holiday Court, Annapolis, MD 21401. The hotel phone number is (410) 224-3150.

The hotel is located just minutes from some of the greatest attractions that Annapolis, Maryland has to offer including...

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more and Washington DC

There is plenty of close shopping, some within walking distance from the hotel. The BWI Airport is only 20 miles away. The Double Tree Hotel offers a complimentary shuttle service within five miles. At the hotel there is a fitness center, restaurant and lounge, and a Café inside the hotel. Close by you will also find other dining choices.

Graduate of the Year

NABF Honors Zack Greinke

The National Amateur Baseball Federation is honoring Kansas City Royals pitcher Zack Greinke is its 2009 Graduate of the Year.

Greinke played on the NABF 18 and under National Team in 2001 in Joplin, Missouri — the first year USA Baseball was involved in the Tournament of Stars.

"He came to us as a shortstop and a possible pitcher," says NABF board member and national team business manager Lou Tiberi.



Greinke played shortstop and hit fourth during the first four games of the TOS. In the semifinals, he hit a walk-off home run against AABC so that the NABF could advance to the championship game.

"Due to a shortage of pitching and his reluctance to be a pitcher, we talked him into pitching the championship game," Tiberi said. "He (pitched) a great game in the championship game."

Despite Greinke's efforts, the USA Team won the championship 3-2 over NABF, but NABF earned the Silver Medal.

"Greinke went back to Apopka (Fla.) and decided he wanted to be a pitcher. He worked the rest of that summer and next spring and became a first round draft pick, No. 4 overall in the 2002 draft by the Kansas City Royals," Tiberi recalls.

Greinke graduated from Apopka High School in 2002, and his brother Luke is a pitcher

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NABF Graduates of the Year

- 1968 Bill Freehan (Detroit Tigers)
- 1969 Pete Rose (Cincinnati Reds)
- 1970 Bernie Carbo (Cincinnati Reds)
- 1971 Ted Simmons (St. Louis Cardinals)
- 1972 John Mayberry (Kansas City Royals)
- 1973 Sal Bando (Oakland Athletics)
- 1974 Jim Wynn (Los Angeles Dodgers)
- 1975 Frank Tanana (California Angels)
- 1976 Rick Manning (Cleveland Indians)
- 1977 Kenton Tekulve (Pittsburgh Pirates)
- 1978 Lary Sorenson (Milwaukee Brewers)
- 1979 Willie Horton (Seattle Mariners)
- 1980 Britt Burns (Chicago White Sox)
- 1981 Tom Paciorek (Seattle Mariners)
- 1982 Leon Durham (Chicago Cubs)
- 1983 Robert Bonnell (Toronto Blue Jays)
- 1984 Jack Perconte (Seattle Mariners)
- 1985 John Franco (Cincinnati Reds)
- 1986 Jesse Barfield (Toronto Blue Jays)
- 1987 Brian Fletcher (Texas Rangers)
- 1988 Allen L. Anderson (Minnesota Twins)
- 1989 Dave Dravecky (San Francisco Giants)
- 1990 Barry Larkin (Cincinnati Reds)
- 1991 Steve Farr (New York Yankees)
- 1992 Marquies Grissom (Montreal Expos)
- 1993 Paul O'Neil (New York Yankees)
- 1994 No selection (MLB Players Strike)
- 1995 Charles Nagy (Cleveland Indians)
- 1996 Brian Jordan (St. Louis Cardinals)
- 1997 Jeff Reed (Colorado Rockies)
- 1998 Scott Rolen (Philadelphia Phillies)
- 1999 Paul Byrd (Philadelphia Phillies)
- 2000 Pat Burrell (Philadelphia Phillies)
- 2001 Billy Koch (Toronto Blue Jays)
- 2002 Roy Oswalt (Houston Astros)
- 2003 B.J. Surhoff (Baltimore Orioles)
- 2004 Brian Roberts (Baltimore Orioles)
- 2005 Mark Tiexiera (Texas Rangers)
- 2006 J.J. Putz (Seattle Mariners)
- 2007 Jake Peavy (San Diego Padres)
- 2008 Gavin Floyd (Chicago White Sox)
- 2009 Zack Greinke (Kansas City Royals)

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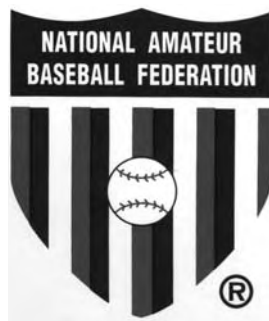
Charles H. Ford
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For his unselfish dedication and support of amateur baseball and service to the National Amateur Baseball Federation.

Woman of the Year Award

Anne Christine Ford
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For her unselfish dedication and support of amateur baseball,



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To honor his unselfish

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2009 John Benedict Sports Journalism Award

Craig Harris
The Gallatin News Examiner
To honor his outstanding coverage of Amateur Sports and NABF League and Tournament play.

NABF Grad of the Year — Zack Greinke

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in the New York Yankees farm system.

Greinke was named Gatorade National Baseball Player of the Year in 2002. He led Apopka High to a 30-3 record his senior year by going 9-2 with an ERA of 0.55 in 12 games. He struck out 118 batters while walking only eight in 63 innings pitched. At shortstop and first base, he hit 31 career home runs with 144 RBI while batting .444 or better in each of four seasons.

Greinke has now been named the American League Bulletin Rogan Award winner by the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum.

The award, named after former Kansas City Monarchs ace pitcher and outfielder Charles Wilber "Bullet" Rogan, recognizes the top pitchers in the AL and NL each season.

Greinke, 26, went 16-8 with a 2.16 ERA in 33 starts for the Royals in 2009. Included in his body of work were six complete games and three shutouts.

Greinke was also named American League Pitcher of the Year by Sporting News.

Though sparse run support gave the right-hander just 16 wins three fewer than league leader CC Sabathia -- Greinke's 2.16 ERA in 33 starts was the lowest in the Majors in 2009. His credentials don't stop there.

Greinke, 26, finished sec-

ond in the AL with 242 strikeouts in 229 1/3 innings pitched. His strikeout total fell two shy of matching the Royals' club record. He also finished fifth in the league with an average of just two walks per nine innings pitched. His six complete games and three shutouts trailed only Toronto's Roy Halladay.

The Royals were second to last in the league with an average of 4.2 runs scored per game, an average that obviously skewed Greinke's 16-8 season record. In comparison, Sabathia, another Cy Young contender, pitched for a club that averaged a Major League-best 5.7 runs per game.

However, here's the good news for Royals fans who are concerned that Greinke's season may be overlooked because he pitched for a team that finished 65-97. Since 1995, the winner of Sporting News' award has also gone on to claim the Cy Young Award every year. The AL Cy Young winner will be announced on Nov. 17.

Sporting News' award was voted upon by a group of 31 general managers and assistant general managers across both leagues. The only other Royals pitcher to earn the honor was Bret Saberhagen, who won the award in 1989.

(These reports by writers Bill Chastain and Jenifer Langosch courtesy of www.mlb.com)

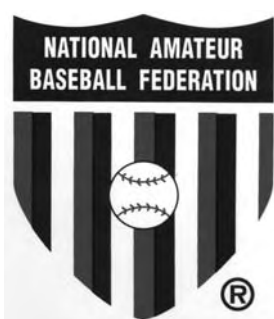
Greinke Biography

(courtesy of MLB.com)

Full name is Donald Zackary Greinke...engaged to Emily Kuchar...graduated from Apopka (Fla.) High, 2002... brother, Luke, is a pitcher the Yankees farm system... Participated in the 2008 and 2009 Royals FanFest and the 2009 Royals Caravan...Named Gatorade National Baseball Player of the Year in 2002...Led Apopka High to a 30-3 record as a senior by going 9-2 with a 0.55 ERA in 12 games...struck out 118 batters while walking only 8 in 63.0 innings pitched...Played shortstop and 1st base, hitting 31 career home runs with 144 RBI while hitting .444 or better in each of his 4 high school seasons...also lettered in golf and volleyball.

2009 Highlights

Signed a four-year contract through 2012 on January 26, 2009...Had a breakout season as a full-time starter, finishing with a career-high 13 wins and an ERA of 3.47, which ranked 10th in the A.L....also set career highs in innings, strikeouts and quality starts...tied with teammate Gil Meche for fifth in the A.L. in strikeouts...His 3.47 ERA was the lowest by a Royals pitcher who qualified for the ERA title (a minimum of 162 innings) since Kevin Appier's 3.40 mark in 1997...He and Meche's 183 strikeouts are the most by a Royals pitcher since Appier had 196 in 1997... Joins Meche for 366 combined K's, the best 1-2 tandem for the Royals since David Cone and Kevin Appier combined for a franchise-record 377 in 1993...He and Meche each notched at least 13 wins, marking the first time since 1996 when Tim Lincecum (15) and Appier (14) accomplished the feat...Notched 23 quality starts, tied for the second-most in the A.L....the 23 quality starts matched Meche's total from 2007 and is tied for the 14th-most in KC history and the most since Appier's 29 in 1993...Posted 9 starts where he recorded 8 or more strikeouts, including a pair of double-digits (10 on June 24 vs. Colorado and 11 on July 28 at Oakland)...Allowed 2 earned runs or less in 19 of his 32 starts...Zack's 3.27 strikeout-to-walk ratio was 10th in the A.L. while his 8.14 strikeouts/9 IP was sixth in the A.L. among qualified starters...He and Meche became the first KC 1-2 punch to each reach the 200-inning threshold since Paul Byrd (228.1 IP) and Jeff Suppan (208.0) in 2002...Tossed his first career 9-inning complete game and third overall complete effort on April 14 at Seattle in a 5-1 win...allowed 1 run on 5 hits in the route-going performance... Was named Royals Pitcher of the Month for April after going 3-0 with a 1.25 ERA in 5 starts...Struck out a career-high 11 in a 4-2 win at Oakland on July 28...At 24 years and 321 days old, Zack became the third-youngest hurler in Royals history to reach triple digits in career starts when he worked on September 7 against the Indians...Royals Hall of Famer Bret Saberhagen was the youngest to reach the century mark, doing so in 23 years and 133 days... Jose Rosado was the second-quickest at 24 years and 286 days...Zack narrowly beat out Royals Hall of Famer Mark Gubicza for third on the list, as Gubie took 24 years and 332 days to record 100 starts...Ended the season strong, not allowing a run in a pair of 7-inning starts, defeating the Mariners, 12-0, on September 18 before beating the Tigers, 5-0, on September 23...Named Royals September Pitcher of the Month after going 4-1 with a 2.18 ERA in 5 starts.

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National Youth Baseball

Lumberjacks' Big Win Caps U-12 Slate



MISSISSIPPI LUMBERJACKS

By Rustin Dodd
MLB.com

The rains came early at the National Youth Baseball Championships.

And for the Mississippi Lumberjacks (NABF) -- the hits came late.

Shortstop Andrew Ryals went 2-for-2 with a double and a single as the Miss. Lumberjacks beat Columbia County (Ga.), 5-1, on Friday in the U-12 Division of the National Youth Baseball Championships in Cordova, Tenn.

Morning showers threatened to postpone Friday's action, which included eight games in the U-12 Division.

But tournament officials were able to work the fields into a playable condition after a short rain delay.

The Lumberjacks took a 1-0 lead in the top of the third, but Columbia County answered in the fourth with a solo homer from center fielder Jordan Lilly. The Lumberjacks responded quickly, rallying for four runs in the top of the fifth, and Lumberjacks reliever Perry Harris collected four strikeouts over two scoreless innings in the fifth and sixth.

Lumberjacks starting pitcher Jacob Wilcher allowed just one run over four innings of work before Harris replaced him in the fifth.

Bullets Gold (FL) 6, Miss. Lumberjacks 5

By Jason Grodsky
MLB.com

The Lumberjacks jumped out to a four-run lead in the top of the first inning, but quickly saw it evaporate in the bottom half of the frame.

Bullets Gold scored five runs in the bottom of the first to go out in front and after the Lumberjacks tied the game in the top of the second, first baseman Nick Breen scored his second run of the game to put Bullets Gold back in front for good at 6-5.

Lumberjacks Raise Stakes With NABF Win

Mississippi team on its way to Memphis

By NABF.com

The Mississippi Lumberjacks thoroughly enjoyed the atmosphere at Snowden Grove Park. So much so, they won the freshman (12 & under) division of the National Amateur Baseball Federation World Classic.

Now, the stakes just got higher.

The Lumberjacks are moving on to the National Youth Baseball Championships in Memphis, Tennessee. Their ticket was punched after getting past the Mississippi Royals, 6-2.

"We didn't even fathom that we would win this thing," said Lumberjacks coach Johnny Yates. "We weren't expecting it, but we didn't come to lose."

Winning, of course, is easier when your ace is on the mound. All-Tournament selection Perry Harris pitched a complete game against the Royals, the top seed coming into championship-round play.

"We've been riding him all year," Yates said. "He throws hard; he throws a cutter, but the kid loves this game. There's probably not a better kid in the state as far as you can't have a better teammate. He's almost like another coach on the field."

Harris looked on with delight as the Lumberjacks broke a 2-2 deadlock with four runs in the tops of the sixth inning. The big blow was Gardner Minshew's bases-clearing double. The two-bagger was poetic justice for Minshew, who struck out with bases loaded in the fourth. The hit also brought a smile to the face of Yates. '

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Major World Series

Troy Jet Box rallies to win third Major World Series title

The final game of the 2009 NABF Major Division World Series pitted the two-time champion Troy Jet Box against the Beecher Muskies, who were seeking their first championship.

It is the Jet Box's second national championship in three seasons and third overall.

The Major (unlimited age) World Series was hosted by Derby City Baseball again this year in Louisville, Kentucky.

The Troy (Detroit area) Jet Box rallied from a 4-2 deficit in the bottom of the ninth with three runs to win the championship 5-4. Led by the offensive power of Matt Viggiano (3-for-4 at the plate, one RBI and two runs scored) and Drew Churchward (2-for-3 at the plate and two runs scored), the Jet Box emerged victorious in what the tournament hosts considered one of the best played championships in recent memory.

The MVP was Drew Churchward, who batted .529 on nine hits in 17 plate appearances. Churchward, also, had two home runs and 11 RBIs. The 2009 batting champ was Rich Berich with Fort Wayne Shady Nook. Berich hit .625 with a 10-for-16 performance.

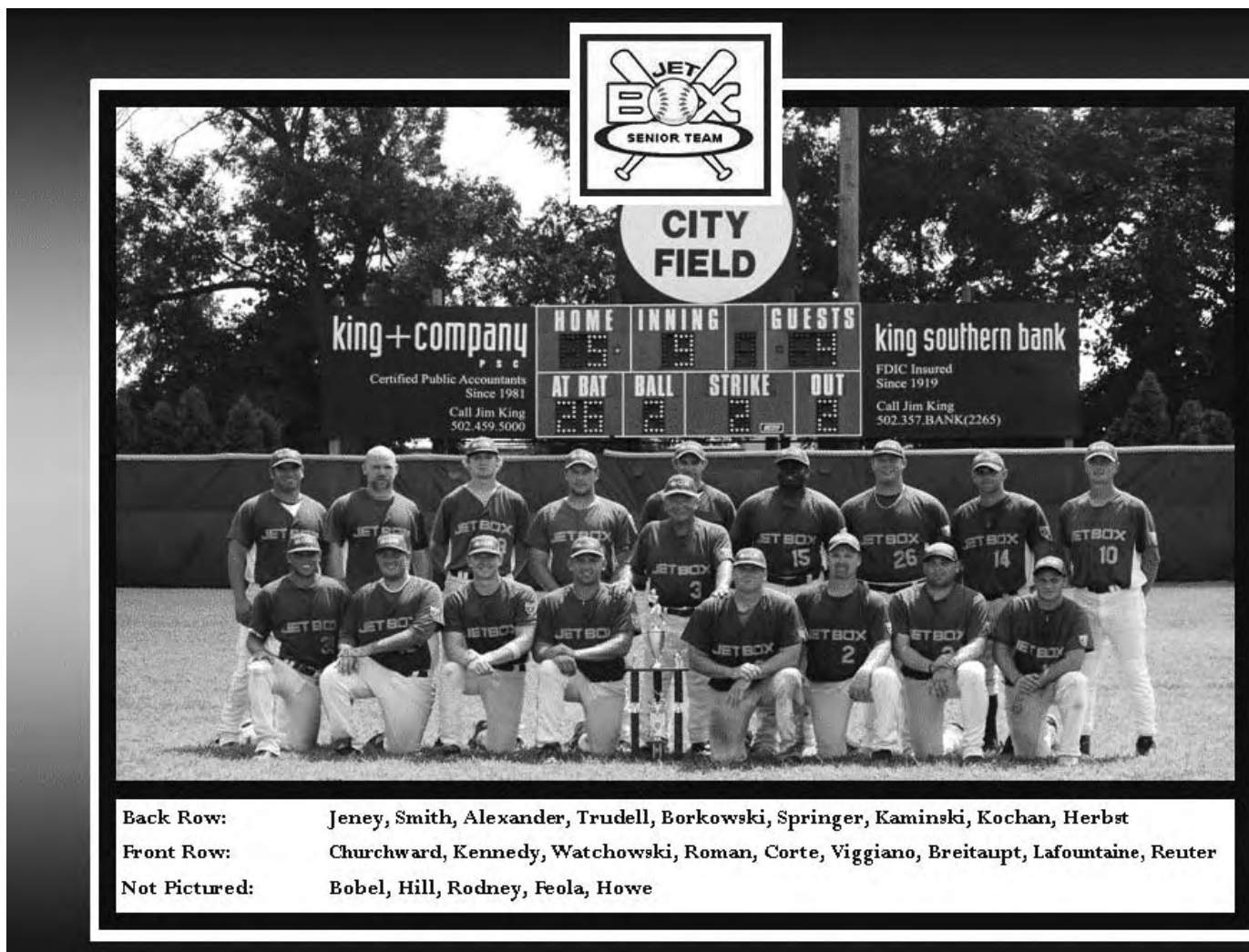
In the first semi-final match-up Jet Box defeated Walther's Café by a score of 7-1. Led by the offensive barrage of Drew Churchward, (3-for-4 at the plate, five RBI, two home runs) and the strong pitching performance of Jay Bobel (completed game, three strikeouts, one earned run). Jet Box cruised to a decisive victory in the first semi-final game, propelling the Jet Box to their sixth appearance in the NABF championship game.

The Jet Box concluded a 42-13 season record, outscoring opponents all season long 385 to 194. Adam Kaminski led the team with a .401 season batting average. Jet Box baseball began in the early spring of 1969 as the brainchild of Jim Corte, and his uncle, Lou Zardus, owner of Jet Box Company.

The Beecher Muskies and the Brooklyn Sports Fever squared off in the second semi-final. The Muskies coasted to a 19-7 victory. Brett Velon led the Beecher Muskies with a productive 4-for-6 at the plate that included two RBI and two runs scored. Greg Moss shut down Brooklyn Sports Fever with four innings of scoreless relief to achieve the win. Moss allowed only two hits with two strikeouts.

In a superb performance on the opening day of the tournament, David Frak of Walther's Café out of Canton, Ohio, pitched a no-hitter with eight strikeouts. This performance led Walther's Café to an 11-0 victory over the Atlantic Coastal Drillers.

The tournament was hosted by Derby City Baseball, led by Tournament Director Jay Tewell.



Back Row: Jeney, Smith, Alexander, Trudell, Borkowski, Springer, Kaminski, Kochan, Herbst
Front Row: Churchward, Kennedy, Watchowski, Roman, Corte, Viggiano, Breithaupt, Lafontaine, Reuter
Not Pictured: Bobel, Hill, Rodney, Feola, Howe

Troy Jet Box 2009 Active Roster

(includes non-NABF registered players)

No.	Pitchers	B/T	Ht	Wt	Club (Joined)
7	Kyle Trudell	R/R	6'1"	220	Tecumseh Thunder 2008
10	Steve Herbst	R/R	6'1"	200	Eastern Michigan 2000
12	Jay Bobel	R/R	6'1"	190	Michigan State 2008
16	Will Kennedy Jr.	R/R	5'9"	225	Madonna College 2009
18	Larry Feola	L/L	5'11"	175	Mexican League, Detroit 1994
19	Fred Schwarze	L/L	5'10"	200	Wayne State (MI) 2007
22	Mike Borkowski	R/R	6'2"	200	Eastern Michigan 2004
34	Clint LaFontaine	R/R	5'11"	190	Madonna University 2006
38	Austin Alexander	R/R	6'1"	185	Henry Ford 2009
40	Kyle Hill	R/R	6'2"	190	Wayne State (MI) 2007
41	Lee Rodney	R/R	6'1"	190	Detroit Tigers AAA 2009
Catchers					
7	Bob Wilson	R/R	6'1"	230	Tennessee 2003
20	Nick Smith	L/R	6'1"	220	Grand Valley State 2005
49	Alex Reuter	R/R	5'9"	185	Hope College 2009
Infielders					
1	Don Watchowski	R/R	6'1"	190	SW Missouri/Mich State 2006
11	Chris Demetral	L/R	6'0"	190	Western MI/Texas Rangers 2003
13	Mike Miller	R/R	6'2"	215	Rochester College 2006
26	Adam Kaminski	R/R	6'2"	235	Wayne State (MI) 2009
27	Frank Jeney	R/R	6'1"	210	Wayne State (MI) 2004
28	Andy Roman	L/L	6'2"	230	Central Michigan 1991
Outfielders					
2	Vic Breithaupt	L/L	6'0"	210	Hope College 1993
14	Ron Kochan	R/R	6'1"	185	Wayne State (MI) 2002
15	Adwin Springer	R/R	6'1"	220	Wayne State (MI) 2008
17	Brad Muszynski	L/L	6'0"	195	Macomb University 2009
24	Travis Kochan	R/R	5'11"	185	Henry Ford 2003
35	Drew Churchward	L/R	5'11"	185	Wayne State (MI) 2009
Utility					
8	Matt Viggiano (C)	L/R	6'1"	233	Phillies AA 1994
12	Dave Combest	R/R	6'0"	230	Jet Box AAA (Marlins) 2004
33	Matt Konwerski	R/R	6'2"	230	Oakland U. 1997
Coaching Staff					
3	Jim Corte, MGR		5'6"	210	Owner 1969
18	Larry Feola, Coach		5'11"	175	Mexican League Detroit 1994
23	Cliff Howe, Coach		6'3"	270	Wayne State (MI) 1994

Jet Box's first championship

In the Jet Box's 1997 first NABF championship in Louisville, John Lierman was NABF MVP and Batting Champion. Bob Bell, Dave Cooper, Rick Tavormina, Matt Viggiano and Mark Fleming were selected to the All-Tournament Team.

MAJOR DIVISION (UNLIMITED)

Champion: Troy Jet Box (MI)

Runner-Up: Beecher Muskies (IL)

Final Game Score: Troy Jet Box: 5 vs. Beecher Muskies: 4

MVP: Drew Churchward, Troy Jet Box

Batting Champ: Rich Berich, Fort Wayne Shady Nook Jackers .625 Average

All Tournament Team

Catcher

Nick Smith, Troy Jet Box

Tyler Riley, Atlantic Coast Drillers

First Base

Servio Delgado, Tampa Elite

Second Base

Ron Kochan, Troy Jet Box

Third Base

Ty Moorhead, Walther's Café/Canton Oven

Shortstop

Zach Messer, Walther's Café/Canton Oven

Pitcher

Brian Guin, A-Plus Plumbing

Anthony Barson, Walther's Café/Canton Oven

Jay Bobel, Troy Jet Box

David Frak, Walther's Café/Canton Oven

Joe Smeraglino, A-Plus Plumbing

Jayson Koehn, Beecher Muskies

Outfield

Chris Flynn, A-Plus Plumbing

Rich Berich, Ft. Wayne Shady Nook Jackers

Brett Velon, Beecher Muskies

Mike Wren, Tampa Elite

Ethan Houck, Ft. Wayne Shady Nook Jackers

Drew Churchward, Troy Jet Box

Designated Hitter

Adam Kaminski, Troy Jet Box

Utility Player

Brandon McCabe, Atlantic Coast Drillers

Kevin Nowak, Buffalo West Herr

College World Series



NABF 2009 COLLEGE DIVISION WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONS —
CRYSTAL LAKE CARDINALS



NABF 2009 COLLEGE DIVISION WORLD SERIES RUNNER-UP —
DIX HILLS DODGERS

Crystal Lake Cardinals Quiet Dix Hills Dodgers' Hot Bats

The Crystal Lake Cardinals (Illinois) shut down some of the hottest hitting bats in the 2009 National Amateur Baseball Federation College Division World Series when they defeated the Dix Hills Dodgers (Long Island, N.Y.) 3-0 in the championship.

The Dix Hills Dodgers (Federation of Amateur Baseball Leagues) came into the championship with a .361 team batting average and a perfect 5-0 record, but Crystal Lake Cardinals (Metro Amateur Baseball of Illinois) pitching held them to four hits as Cuban born and Puerto Rican native Cardinals coach Armando Bombino earned his first College Division World Series title.

The championship was played for the second straight year, and fourth year in the last six years at 10,000 seat Ned Skeldon Stadium in Maumee, Ohio — which is the former home of the world famous Toledo Mud Hens (Detroit Tigers affiliate) of the Triple A International League. Ten of the 31 games in the 16-team College World Series were televised by Buckeye Cable Sports Network, a presenting sponsor.

In the final, Cardinals starting pitcher Matt Huck held the Dodgers scoreless through eight innings and allowed only one hit through six innings and two more in the seventh. For his performance against the best hitting team of the series, Huck was named the World Series MVP.

After two Dodgers reached base in the ninth against closer Scott Spinelle, a long outfield fly ball struck by Dodger hitter Alexander Aurrichio (Columbia) nearly cleared the fence and would have tied the game, but Cardinal left fielder Darcy Doyle made the grab at the warning track to bring Crystal Lake to within one out of the championship.

Spinelle got the next batter to hit into a fielders' choice for the fi-

nal out, and the Cardinals celebrated after winning their fifth game of this year's wood bat College World Series by piling into a celebratory "dog pile" in nearly 90-degree heat.

Crystal Lake scored one run each in the fourth, sixth, and seventh innings. The Cards broke a scoreless tie in the top of the fourth inning when leadoff batter Jesse Wight singled, stole second base, and Corey Moylan hit an RBI single to score Wright.

In the sixth, Moylan made his own case for MVP by clearing the fence with the only home run of the game. For most teams playing against the Dodgers in the World Series that would not have been enough to win the ballgame, but in this contest it was more than enough thanks to Huck's pitching.

In the seventh, the Cards got another insurance run after Dave Hoffman singled, reached second on a wild pitch, and scored on an RBI single by Cory Phillips.

The Crystal Lake Cardinals are coached by "Armie" Bombino, Paul Byrd, and Steve Hardman. Players are Doyle, Hoffman, Huck, Moylan, Phillips, Spinelle, Wight, Eric Aguilera, Cody Beck, William Charvat, Aren Cummins, Joe DiMaggio, Paul Duncan, Derek Eitel, Ty Funke, Michael Heesch, Mike Hoschett, Kenny Kahle, Robert Martin, T.J. McManus, Matt Modlinski, Brian Padove, Ryan Pollock, Kyle Robins, Gannon Sadzeck, and Dan Walsh.

The Dix Hills Dodgers are coached by Bill Ianniciello, who is the New York Mets vice president of ticket sales, and his assistants are Adolfo Valazquez and Sham Ninah. Dix Hills outfielder/pitcher Omar Velazquez (Caldwell College) won the College World Series home run derby over 50 other contestants by clearing Skeldon Stadium's wall six times in front of a highly motivated crowd.

Dodgers players are Aurichio, Velazquez, Anthony Armenio

(Manhattan), Joseph Armenti (C.W. Post—Long Island University), Jake Cameron (Virginia Wesleyan), Robert Finneran (Bentley), Travis Grillo (Farmingdale State), Hilton Ianniciello (Virginia Wesleyan), Michael Joyce (Fairfield), Marshall

Kapson (C.W. Post—Long Island University), Adam Krebs (Monmouth), Daniel Lopez (Pittsburgh), Christopher Maier (Stony Brook), Richard McCarren (Adelphi), Dan-

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COLLEGE DIVISION (22 & UNDER)

Champion: Crystal Lake Cardinals (IL)

Runner-Up: Dix Hills Dodgers (NY)

Final Game Score: Crystal Lake Cardinals: 3 vs. Dix Hills Dodgers: 0

MVP: Matt Huck, Crystal Lake Cardinals

Batting Champ: Chad Mullins, Shannon Fence, .600 Average

All Tournament Team

Catcher

Andrew Derr, Brunswick Express
Richard McCarren, Dix Hills Dodgers

1st Base

Chad Mullins, Shannon Fence

2nd Base

Christopher Maier, Dix Hills Dodgers

3rd Base

Bruce Dunlap, Chilicothe Capitals

Shortstop

Chad Ulogar, Crystal Lake Cardinals

Pitcher

Adam Krebs, Dix Hills Dodgers
Zach Malawey, Alton Indians
Derek Eitel, Crystal Lake Cardinals
Paul Duncan, Crystal Lake Cardinals
Mark Delannoy, Boyle Braves
Matt Huck, Crystal Lake Cardinals

Outfield

Cory Hornyak, Ohio Monarchs Gold
Greg Jones, Shannon Fence
Omar Velazquez, Dix Hills Dodgers
Alexander Aurrichio, Dix Hills Dodgers
Corey Moylan, Crystal Lake Cardinals
Zach Nichols, Shannon Fence

Designated Hitter

Brandon McFarland, Ohio Monarchs Gold

Utility Players

Anthony Armenio, Dix Hill Dodgers
Zak Blair (SS), Shannon Fence

Senior World Series

Maryland Monarchs champs over three-time finalists, 12-5



NABF 2009 SENIOR DIVISION WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONS — MARYLAND MONARCHS

The 2009 NABF Senior Division Championship game featured the Jackson 96ers Blue team playing in their third title game in six years and the Maryland Monarchs, who were playing in their first NABF Championship Game.

The Maryland Monarchs would jump out to a 8-0 lead in the first two innings on 5 walks and 6 hits.

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SENIOR DIVISION (18 & UNDER)

Champion: Maryland Monarchs (MD)

Runner-Up: Jackson 96ers Blue (MS)

Final Game Score: Maryland Monarchs: 12 vs. Jackson 96ers Blue: 5

MVP: Brady Feigl, Maryland Monarchs, Left Handed Pitcher, 1 Win and 2 Saves

Batting Champ: Joe Lombardi, New York Nine .450 Average

Junior World Series

Long Island Titans win out 2-0 in pitcher's duel over Dayton Dirtbags

It was anticipated that the Long Island Titans and the Dayton Dirtbags were going to have a slugfest in the World Series Championship game. Entering the game, the Dirtbags of Dayton had five players hitting over .400 and the Titans had four. In the five preliminary contests, the Dayton Dirtbags averaged 11 runs per game while the Titans averaged nearly 14 runs per game.

The bats fell silent in Sunday afternoon's championship game. The pitching aces for Dayton and Long Island matched each other pitch for pitch, strike for strike. After three innings, the score remained 0-0. It stayed that way until the bottom of the sixth inning.

The tournament's MVP Anthony Gatto hit a fading line shot to right that eluded a stretching fielder's glove. Gatto stood up at third. A well hit ball off the fence scored Gatto easily for the winning run. The Dirtbags were retired in order in the top of the seventh.

Final score, 2-0. Champions, Long Island Titans.

Long Island Ace Michael Kaufman faced only 22 batters. Some would say his curve ball was lethal. But it was not nearly as deadly as

JUNIOR DIVISION (16 & UNDER)

Champion: Long Island Titans

Runner-Up: Dayton Dirtbags

Final Game Score: Long Island Titans 2 vs. Dayton Dirtbags 0

MVP: Anthony Gatto, Long Island Titans

Batting Champion: Anthony Gatto, Long Island Titans

the south paw's pickoff move to first base where he picked off five Dirtbags in seven attempts.

The Dayton Dirtbags are a very good team. Their hitting is very solid. On this day, the pitching, hitting, and fielding of the Long Island Titans was better. Hail to the champions.

Hail to the Titans, the NABF 2009 Junior Division Champions.

Senior Division

All Tournament Team

Catcher

Kolby Byrd, Jackson 96ers Blue
Stephan Joe, Jackson 96ers White

1st Base

Mike Marsh Maryland Monarchs

2nd Base

Jay Bell Jackson 96ers Blue

3rd Base

Colton Moore BNBA 18U Gold

Shortstop

Bradley Noland Memphis Tigers

Pitcher

Brayden Jones Jackson 96ers White

Brady Feigl Maryland Monarchs

Eric Auman Maryland Monarchs

Luke Langdon Troy Baseball

Kane Hernandez Norwood Blues

Andrew Gunn Jackson 96ers Blue

Outfield

Nick Helmstetter Jackson 96ers Blue

Joseph Gatewood Bayside Yankees

Nelson Arroyo Midville Dodgers

Michael Bolling Norwood Blues

Matt McGovern New York Nine

Steve Jenkins Maryland Monarchs

Designated Hitter

Joe Lombardi New York Nine

Utility Players

Hunter Twitty Jackson 96ers White

Utilities Brian Barry Bayside Yankees



Junior Division

All Tournament Team

Catcher

Tom Midolo Brooklyn Cougars

Brendan Garry Long Island Titans Blue

1st Base

Spencer Church Woodslee Orioles

2nd Base

Christian Demko Dayton Dirtbags

3rd Base

Jimmy Daley Brooklyn Cougars

Shortstop

Greg Belton Allen Baseball Club

Pitcher

Anthony Gatto Long Island Titans Blue

Mike Kaufman Long Island Titans Blue

Jim Guiliano Long Island Titans Blue

Sawyer Polen North Coast Vipers

Luke Mamer Dayton Dirtbags

Ian Mezlak North Coast Vipers

Outfield

Justin Threlkeld Burnsville Rattlers

Doug Putkowski Long Island Titans Blue

Jim Bulva Long Island Titans Blue

Mike Manganiello Long Island Titans Blue

Santiago Villanueva Allen Baseball Club

Landon Curry Fort Wayne Cubs

Designated Hitter

Jake Fryman Dayton Dirtbags

Utility Players

Kyle Traicoff Northville Broncos

Benji Frydman Dayton Dirtbags

High School World Series

Virginia Barnstormers shut out Maryland Orioles in HSWS

By Ted Allen

Lynchburg News and Advance

Virginia Barnstormers shortstop and pitcher Kenny Towns found out last November that he is diabetic.

"It doesn't hold him back too much," Barnstormers coach Chris Warren said.

Monday afternoon at City Stadium, the rising junior at Lake Braddock High School in Fairfax was named the Most Valuable Player of the National Amateur Baseball Federation High School World Series Championship game.

Towns tossed a complete-game five-hitter, striking out four in a 3-0 victory over the previously unbeaten Maryland Orioles (7-1).

Though he went 0 for 3 in the final, Towns also was one of Virginia's offensive catalysts.

"He hit in the No. 3 hole throughout the tournament and scored a ton of runs for us," Warren said.

In the championship game, the Barnstormers' regular shortstop showcased his arm and his glove from on the mound, workout out of jams in the second, third and fourth innings to preserve a 1-0 lead. The Orioles put runners on third with one out in all three frames and failed to score the tying run.

Maryland's Mike Schmidt (no relation to the former Philadelphia Phillies' Hall of Fame third baseman) and Christian Wolfe opened the second inning with back-to-back singles before Russ Patti drew a one-out walk to load the bases for Kodi Beckwith.

Towns induced him to ground into an inning-ending 1-2-3 double play.

"I got really excited after that one because I knew that was big to get through that," he said.

Towns then snared a hard comebacker by Brandon Franke with runners on second and third in the third before somehow getting a glove on and batting down another hard-hit ball by Sean Doyle in the fourth, throwing to first for the second out.

"(That) one almost took my head off," Towns said.

"Their pitcher had two line drives hit right at him and made plays on them both," Maryland coach Gary Fratantuono said. "That was the difference in the ballgame because if either of those gets through, we score."

Adam Forrer made a nice play on a shot lined into the hole near second base by Russ Patti, holding Wolfe at third with two outs in the fourth, before Beckwith flew out to center to end the threat.

"A couple innings, they had some runners on and I had to bear down and get some outs and let the defense work behind me," Towns said.

HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION (18 & UNDER)

Champion: Virginia Barnstormers

Runner-up: Maryland Orioles

Mayor's Trophy: Virginia Barnstormers

Final Game Score: Virginia Barnstormers 3 vs. Maryland Orioles 0

MVP: Kenny Towns, Virginia Barnstormers

Batting Champion: Joe Townsend, Virginia Barnstormers

Virginia (8-0) mounted a two-out, two-run rally in the bottom of the fourth, with John McGillicuddy singling home Ryan Lindemuth and scoring on a double into the gap in left center by Beau Fitzpatrick for a three-run lead.

"Going up 3-0 made it easy to go out there and throw strikes," said Towns, who didn't allow a runner past first base in the final three innings, retiring the Orioles in order in the seventh.

Not normally a starting pitcher, Towns wanted to finish what he started on Monday.

"He typically throws in relief but we couldn't have pried the ball out of his hands in the seventh inning if we wanted to," Warren said.

"I wanted to stay in there," Towns added. "I felt confident I could shut them down one more inning."

Considering his quick reflexes and endurance on the mound, it's hard to tell he has to deal with a medical condition like diabetes.

"It doesn't affect me that much," said Towns, who makes sure his blood sugar levels stay high enough during games by drinking plenty of Gatorade. "I don't even think about it."

Both teams dominated their opposition throughout the tournament's pool play and into Sunday's single-elimination bracket competition. Going into the championship game, Maryland (23-7 this summer) had outscored its opponents by a 68-7 count and Virginia held a commanding 64-10 advantage in runs scored. The Barnstormers (27-8-1) were participating in their fifth tournament of the summer, though the first four were showcase events with no champion declared.

"Everything we did this summer prepared us for this," Warren said. "The kids played outstanding. They scored a lot of runs with two outs, had a lot of hits with two strikes and made plays in the field in key situations."

High School Division All Tournament Team

Catcher

Mike Apuzzo Long Island Lions

DJ Hoagboom Tri-County Bees

1st Base

Justin Horn Sports Specialty Diamonds

2nd Base

Adam Forrer Virginia Barnstormers

3rd Base

Alex Owens Virginia Barnstormers

Shortstop

Kenny Towns Virginia Barnstormers

Pitcher

Andy Levy Rangers Select

Blake Bondourant, East Cobb Shamrocks

Cory Barr Corporal Miller

Curt Randall Putty Hill Panthers

John McGillicuddy, Virginia Barnstormers

Seth Goode, Lynchburg Christian Academy

Outfield

Dalton Stone North Chatham Tarheels

James Ways Rangers Select

Joe Townsend Virginia Barnstormers

Matt Wade North Chatham Tarheels

Mike Stranix Sports Specialty Diamonds

Nich Dunbar, Washington County Nationals

Designated Hitter

Ryan Cacchioli Long Island Eagles

Utility Player

Brent Nelson Putty Hill Panthers

Norm Donkin Sports Specialty Diamonds

Lindemuth, a William & Mary recruit and rising senior teammate of Towns at Lake Braddock, pitched a two hitter in a 4-1 semifinal win over the Rangers Select. He tied the game at 2-2 with an RBI single in the third before Patti singled and scored the winning run in the fourth on consecutive hits by eighth batter Chris Peltz and Shillenburg.

Brandon Franke pitched a complete game for Maryland, striking out 11 in a four-hitter.

Maryland Orioles	000 000 0—0 5 1
Virginia Barnstormers	100 200 x—3 5 1

W: Kenny Towns. L: Steve Shillenburg. Records: Maryland 7-1, Virginia 8-0.

Highlights: M—Glynn Davis 2-4, 2B; Christian Wolfe 2-3, 2B; Mike Schmidt 1-2, walk; Collin Fishman 2 2/3 IP, 0 hits, 1 k, 2 BBs. V—Towns 7 IP, 5 hits, 4 Ks, 2 BBs; Adam Forrer 1-3; Joe Townsend 1-3 run; Alex Owens 1-3, 2B, RBI; John McGillicuddy 1-3, RBI, run; Beau Fitzpatrick 1-3, RBI 2B.

2009 NABF Regionals

SENIOR DIVISION (18 & UNDER)

Houston, Texas- Regional
Winner: Houston Heat White
Final Game Score: Houston Heat White, (TX): 6 vs. Houston Raiders White, (TX): 1

Altoona, Pennsylvania- Regional
Winner: Seneca Valley
Final Game Score: Seneca Valley, (PA): 7 vs. Juniata VFW, (PA): 1

Bowie, Maryland- Regional
Winner: St. Mary's Post 255
Final Game Score: St. Mary's Post 255, (MD): 9

vs. Bowie Post 66, (MD): 5

Nassau County, New York- Regional
Winner: Midville Dodgers
Final Game Score: Midville Dodgers, (NY): 4 vs. Long Island Astros, (NY): 1

Struthers, Ohio- Regional
Winner: Ohio Thunder Select
Final Game Score: Ohio Thunder Select, (OH): 5 1080 Media, (OH): 4

Troy, Ohio- Regional
Winner: Troy Post 43
Final Game Score: Troy Post 43, (OH): 10 vs. Miami Valley Wolverines, (OH): 0

COLLEGE DIVISION (22 & UNDER)

Saratoga, New York- Regional
Winner: Long Island Astros
Final Game Score: Long Island Astros, (NY): (5-1) tournament record vs. ABCO Phillies, (PA):(4-1) tournament record. Tournament not completed due to inclement weather and unplayable fields.

Youngstown, Ohio- Regional
Winner: Shannon Fence
Final Game Score: Shannon Fence, (OH): 13 vs. Utica Brewers, (NY): 0

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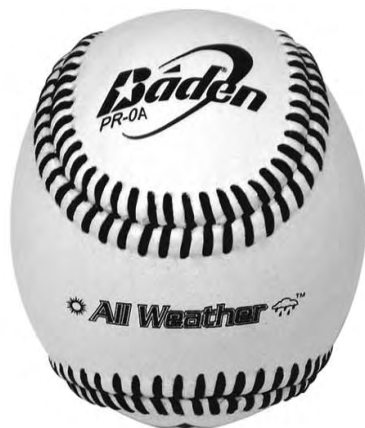
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Sophomore World Series

Cleveland's Up to Bat Titans Win Sophomore World Series

By Ted Allen

Lynchburg News and Advance

Not too many 14-year-old players get to play two games at Lynchburg's City Stadium on the same day. For Forest's sophomore entry in the NABF World Series, the experience was bittersweet, and the outcomes of the two games like night and day.

In the morning game against the Spring (N.Y.) Renegades, which had gone 4-0 and were seeded first after pool play, Forest scored 10 runs in the first inning and went on to cruise to an 11-3 victory.

"We hit the ball well and got a solid pitching performance from Michael Carter," Forest coach Troy Doss said. "He went seven innings and gutted it out."

That sent JF to the championship game against the Up to Bat Titans of Cleveland, Ohio, which also came out of its pool as the 2nd seed, beating Nothing But Baseball out of Pittsburgh, PA, 11-2 to advance to the final.

But it was the Titans, not the Cavaliers, doing the pile-on celebrating inside the diamond as the sun set on Calvin Falwell Field on Saturday night, following their 4-1 championship victory.

After a leadoff single in the top of the first by Reed Bryant, Forest had no hits in their next 16 at-bats against Titans pitcher Allan Medovic, who struck out six and allowed just one hit through the first five innings.

"That pitcher was mixing up his pitches and kept us off balance all night," Doss said. "We couldn't get the timely hits when we needed them."

The Titans, who improved to 57-12 on the season, came through in the clutch at the plate and capitalized on a couple of Forest errors in the field.

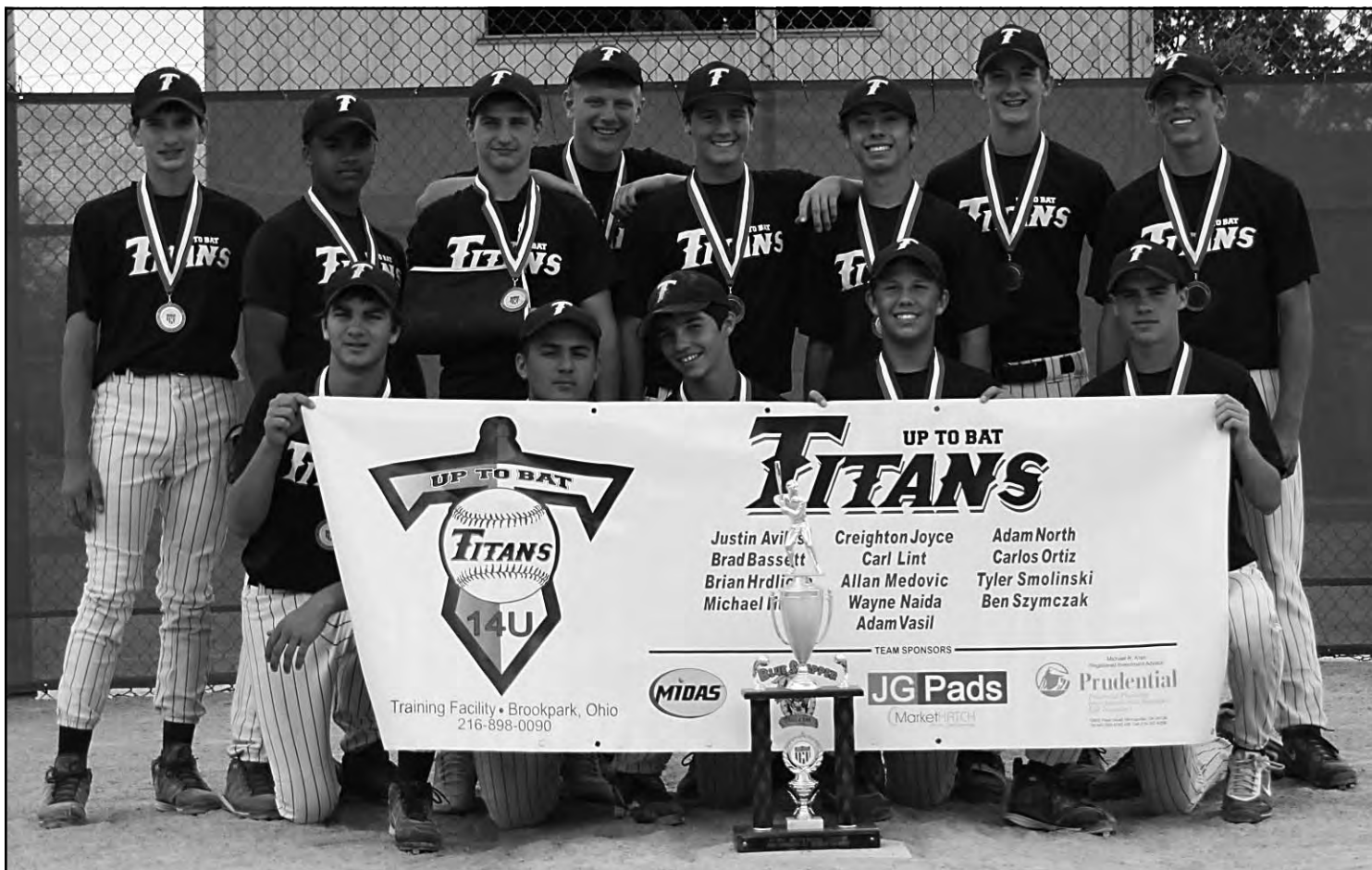
Leadoff batter Carl Lint scored on two unearned runs—first in the third after drawing a leadoff walk, stealing second and advancing to third on an error by the center fielder, and coming home on a sacrifice fly to shallow right.

Then, in the three-run fourth, after Adam Vasil led off with a single and scored on a triple down the first-base line by Justin Aviles, Lint reached by error to bring home Aviles. He scored the final run on a single by Ben Szymczak to right when the relay throw home from first was too late.

Szymczak later was named as the MVP of the tournament.

The Cavaliers broke up the shutout with two outs in the sixth when Cal Hodgert and Cameron Byrd delivered back-to-back singles, scoring starting pitcher Mark Heideman, who had reached on a fielder's choice after Bryant drew a one-out walk.

Eighth batter Ben Stanley singled past second with two outs in



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the seventh before the Titans retired Zach Coleman for the third time on the night to end it.

"It was just a privilege to be in the championship game," said Doss, whose team finishes 4-2 in the tournament.

For the Titans, this was their ninth tournament of the summer and they have now won five, but this was their first NABF World Series championship.

"We're a first-year team," assistant coach John Vasil said, noting Up to Bat only advanced to Lynchburg after winning a five-state NABF Regional qualifier in Toledo, Ohio last Saturday, beating teams from Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.

Forest Cavaliers 000 001 0—1 4 2
Up to Bat Titans 001 300 x—4 7 1

W: Allan Medovic L: Mark Heideman. Records: Up to Bat 5-1, Forest 4-2.

Highlights: F—Reed Bryant 1-2, walk; Cal Hodgert 1-3; Cameron Byrd 1-3; Ben Stanley 1-3. UTB—Ben Szymczak 2-3, 2 RBIs; Adam Vasil 2-3, run; Justin Aviles 2-3, 3B, run; Carl Lint 2 runs.

SOPHOMORE DIVISION

(14 & UNDER) Lynchburg, Virginia

Champion: Up-to-Bat Titans

Runner-Up: Forest Cavaliers

Final Game Score: Up-to-Bat Titans 4 vs. Forest Cavaliers 1

MVP: Carl Lint- Up to Bat Titans

Batting Champion: Ben Szymczak- Up to Bat Titans

Sophomore Division All Tournament Team

Catcher

Kristopher Muller Spring Renegades

Adam Vasil Up to Bat Titans

1st Base

Michael Burnham Nothing But Baseball

2nd Base

Ben Szymczak Up to Bat Titans

3rd Base

Chad Provo Rustburg Black

Shortstop

Joe Foran Spring Renegades

Pitcher

Mark Heideman Forest Cavaliers

Randy Euevda Hitmen

Mathew Eperesi Nothing But Baseball

Zach Sligh Amherst

Jason Gallachi Spring Renegades

Allan Medovic Up to Bat Titans

Outfield

Carl Lint Up to Bat Titans

Ryan McGrath Spring Renegades

Jonathan Dorogy Nothing But Baseball

Jonathon Brown Alleghany

Cameron Hunt Amherst

Cal Hodgert Forest Cavalier

Designated Hitter

Dylan Vestal LCA

Utility Player

Reed Bryant Forest Cavaliers

Camron Byrd Forest Cavaliers



2009 World Classics

Del City, Oklahoma Classic Championship Series 6 & Under Division

WINNER: Oklahoma Steal
 RUNNER-UP: Oklahoma Orioles
 Final Game Score: Oklahoma Steal 13 vs. Oklahoma Orioles 12
 Summary of Game: This game was a real nail-biter, back and forth throughout the entire contest. Going into the last half of the final inning, the game was tied at 12. The Orioles quickly recorded the first two outs but then gave up a base hit. With a runner on second base, the number 8 hitter for the Steal launched a screaming line-drive that found its way through the infield and one-hopped its way to the center fielder, who came up throwing towards home plate. The throw was high and the runner scored easily to secure the championship for the Oklahoma Steal 13-12.

7 & Under Division Classic Championship Series (Machine Pitch) Del City, Oklahoma

WINNER: Oklahoma Elite
 RUNNER-UP: Cleveland County Indians
 Final Game Score: Oklahoma Elite 19 vs. Cleveland County Indians 0
 Summary of Game: The Oklahoma Elite were too much to handle in the final game. In the first inning, the Elite scored 7 runs and never looked back. Although the Indians had their chances, the Elite played solid defense and never gave the Indians a chance to get back into the game.

8 & Under Division Classic Championship Series (Machine Pitch) Del City, Oklahoma

WINNER: Oklahoma Blacksox
 RUNNER-UP: Young Guns
 Final Game Score: Oklahoma Blacksox 16 vs Young Guns 8
 Summary of Game: Both teams came ready to play the championship game, the Young Guns scored 3 in the top half of the first inning, but the Black-

sox put up 5 runs in their 1st inning at-bat. Plenty of runs were scored in the second inning as well with the Young Guns scored 5 more runs but the Blacksox answered with 7 runs of their own in the bottom half of the 2nd inning. The Blacksox would add four more runs in the bottom of the 5th to bring the score to 16-8 which ended up being the final score.

9 & Under Division Classic Championship Series Del City, Oklahoma

WINNER: Oklahoma Elite
 RUNNER-UP: Hitmen
 Final Game Score: Oklahoma Elite 9 vs. Hitmen 6
 Summary of Game: The Elite came out swinging in the first inning by putting 5 runs on the board in the first two innings, and the Hitmen added two runs in the bottom of the 2nd to make the score 5-2 after two innings. The Elite added on 4 more runs in the final two innings to make the score 9-2 going into the bottom half of the final inning. Although the Hitmen scored 4 runs in the final inning, they hit into a double play with the bases loaded to end the game with the final score of 9-6.

10 & Under Division Classic Championship Series Del City, Oklahoma

WINNER: Oklahoma Bulldogs
 RUNNER-UP: Enid Dawgs
 Final Game Score: Oklahoma Bulldogs 12 vs. Enid Dawgs 1
 Summary of Game: Although the Dawgs scored one run in the top of the first, this game was controlled by the Oklahoma Bulldogs who added 10 runs in the bottom half and never looked back. The final score of the game was the Oklahoma Bulldogs 12 and the Enid Dawgs 1

11 & Under Division Classic Championship Series Del City, Oklahoma

WINNER: Oklahoma City Mets
 RUNNER-UP: Turn 2 Baseball



Final Game Score: Oklahoma City Mets 9 vs. Turn 2 Baseball 6
 Summary of Game: Although Turn 2 put on 3 runs in the top half of the first inning, the Mets answered with 9 runs of their own and never looked back. Turn 2 added 3 runs in the final inning but couldn't stage a bigger comeback leading to the final result of the Mets winning 9-6.

12 & Under Division Classic Championship Series Del City, Oklahoma

WINNER: Edmond Tigers
 RUNNER-UP: Oklahoma Justice
 Final Game Score: Edmond Tigers: 2 vs. Oklahoma Justice: 1
 Summary of Game: This game was a pitcher's duel throughout. The Justice were held scoreless throughout the game except for putting across one run in the top of the third inning, and the Tigers scored one run in the first inning. With the score deadlocked at 1 in the final inning, the Tigers drove in the final run on a base hit to left field which scored the runner from third base.

13 & Under Division Classic Championship Series Del City, Oklahoma

WINNER: Norman North Academy Black
 RUNNER-UP: Oklahoma Cardinals

Final Game Score: Norman North Academy Black 7 vs. Oklahoma Cardinals 2
 Summary of Game: Norman got off to a quick start in the final by scoring 5 runs in the first inning and never looked back. Although the Cardinals put together two rallies, they could only put together two runs and Norman won the game by a score of 7-2.

14 & Under Division Classic Championship Series Del City, Oklahoma

WINNER: Oklahoma Stixx (13's)
 RUNNER-UP: Edmond Bulldogs
 Final Game Score: Oklahoma Stixx 10 vs. Edmond Bulldogs 0
 Summary of Game: Despite being a younger team, the Oklahoma Stixx were the team to beat throughout the tournament. The pitching was dominant especially in the finals especially where they shut out the Bulldogs. The Stixx didn't have any trouble putting runs on the scoreboard, they scored 10 runs in the game and won by the final score of 10-0.
 Bowie, Maryland Classic Championship Series

12 & Under Age Division Classic Championship Regional Series Bowie, Maryland

WINNER: Maryland Baseball Academy
 RUNNER-UP: Appalachian Angels
 Final Game Score: Maryland Baseball Academy 6 vs. Appalachian Angels 1
 Southaven, Mississippi Classic Championship Series

ROOKIE DIVISION 10 & Under Division Classic Championship Series Southaven, Mississippi

WINNER: West Tennessee Wildcats – Jackson, TN
 RUNNER-UP: DeSoto Cardinals – Southaven, MS
 Final Game Score: Wildcats 11 vs. Cardinals 2

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NABF Scholarship Application

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2. A transcript of high school grades or College University grades if already enrolled.
3. Two letters of recommendation. One must be obtained from a teacher and the other from his/her baseball coach who is in a position to evaluate the applicant's academic and athletic performance.
4. A concise written statement from the applicant detailing scholastic, athletic and personal achievement, community involvement, and any other information in support of the applicant. No more than two pages please. The Selection Committee may require and request additional information from an applicant or sponsor.
5. No application will be considered if the above items are not included with the application.
6. Applications must be received by September 1st.
7. Successful applicants, scholarship award winners, must submit, a proof of enrollment by December 1st before the scholarship check may be issued.
8. Please mail fully completed application with the required items to Bruce Edwards, 4638 Shale Lane, Toledo, Ohio 43615.

World Classics...

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Summary of Game: A near-perfect run at Snowden Grove Park not only gave coach Chad Worley's squad the Rookie (10 & Under) Division Championship in the National Amateur Baseball Federation World Classic, but is also qualifies them for the National Youth Baseball Championships next month in Memphis, Tennessee. "That was certainly one of our goals," Worley said. "I hope we represent it well."

The Wildcats averaged 9.6 runs in capturing their NABF crown. They were especially impressive during the championship round, out scoring their three opponents, 32-3. West Tennessee defeated the DeSoto Cardinals in the title game, 11-2.

"Our bats were hot," Worley said. "We just kept hitting and putting the pressure on them."

After surrendering a first-inning RBI single to DeSoto's Will Kidder, Wildcat Starter Cannon Duke began to relax on the mound. That process was aided by the five runs his club scored in the bottom of the first. Hayden Leatherwood, Robert Worley and Austin Pace each contributed RBI singles.

West Tennessee began to pull away. The ensuing inning were highlighted by home runs, including Worley's two-run shot in the second. Drake Smith led off the third with a solo blast to right.

"We've got power scattered up and down our lineup," the elder Worley said. "We can hit it hard anywhere. Hitting is our strength. We attack the baseball - we're not trying to draw walks and stuff like that."

The coach's son completed his 3-for-3 day with an RBI single in the third. It scored leadoff specialist Evan Gilliam, who joined Worley on the all-tournament team. Duke, Pace and Dylan Crabb were also recognized.

"It's a great group of kids," said Chad Worley. "I can't say enough about them. We got good pitching, good hitting and good defense."

Several members of the Wildcats reside in Collierville, which is a short drive

to First Tennessee Fields, the NYBC host site for the second consecutive year. West Tennessee is scheduled to play the AABC champion August 27, while battling Babe Ruth and Pony opponents the following day.

ROOKIE DIVISION

All Tournament Team

Will Kidder DeSoto Cardinals
Reed Haberstroh DeSoto Cardinals
Landon Zizmann DeSoto Cardinals
Trey Martin DeSoto Cardinals
Frank Hefflinger Memphis Tigers
Parker Jordan Memphis Tigers
Garrett Baugh Memphis Tigers
DJ Robinson Memphis Tigers
Dylan Barker Tupelo Rangers
Jacob Carter Tupelo Rangers
Ray Sandroni Tupelo Rangers
Taylor Replogle Tupelo Rangers
Evan Gelliam West TN Wildcats
Dylan Crabb West TN Wildcats
Austin Pace West TN Wildcats
Robert Worley West TN Wildcats
Cannon Duke West TN Wildcats

FRESHMAN DIVISION

12 & Under) Division Classic Championship Series Southaven, Mississippi

WINNER: Mississippi Lumberjacks - Brandon, MS
RUNNER-UP: Mississippi Royals - Southaven, MS
Final Game Score: Lumberjacks 6 vs. Royals 2

Summary of Game: The Mississippi Lumberjacks thoroughly enjoyed the atmosphere at Snowden Grove Park. So much so, they won the Freshman (12 & Under) Division of the National Amateur Baseball Federation World Classic on July 3.

Now, the stakes just got higher. The Lumberjacks are moving on to the National Youth Baseball Championships next month in Memphis, Tennessee. Their ticket was punched after getting past the Mississippi Royals, 6-2.

"We didn't even fathom that we would win this thing," said Lumberjacks coach Johnny Yates. "We weren't expecting it, but we didn't come to lose." Winning, of course is easier when your ace is on the mound. All-Tournament selection Perry Harris pitched a complete game versus the Royals, the top seed coming into championship-round play.

"We've been riding him all year," Yates said. "He throws hard; he throws a cutter, but the kid loves this game.

There's probably not a better kid in the state as far as ... you can't have a better teammate. He's almost like another coach on the field."

Harris looked on with delight as the Lumberjacks broke a 2-2 deadlock with four runs in the tops of the sixth inning. The big blow was Gardner Minshew's bases-clearing double. The two-bagger was poetic justice for Minshew, who struck out with bases loaded in the fourth.

The hit also brought a smile to the face of Yates.

"We just wanted to get on base and manufacture a run somehow," he said. "This was an effort, no doubt." An RBI single from Bryan Cruse helped the Royals rally in the fifth.

"Perry Harris is a really good pitcher," said Royals' coach Gary Blaylack, "so I was proud of them for battling back. We just ran out of gas in that last inning."

The Lumberjacks had taken a 1-0 lead in the fourth inning following a home run to left by Jacob Wilcher, who garnered All-Tournament recognition along with Harris, Minshew and Jim Speights.

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FRESHMAN DIVISION

All Tournament Team

Perry Harris Mississippi Lumberjacks
Jim Speights Mississippi Lumberjacks
Jacob Wilcher Mississippi Lumberjacks
Gardner Minshew Mississippi Lumberjacks

Dallas Woolfolk Mississippi Royals
Colin Coates Mississippi Royals
Brant Blaylock Mississippi Royals
Keegan James Mississippi Royals
David Herrington Mississippi Royals
Ryan Wesson Tupelo Rangers
Jake McDonald Tupelo Rangers
Dustin Kirk Tupelo Rangers
William Ikerd Tupelo Rangers

13 & Under Division Classic Championship Series Southaven, Mississippi

WINNER: Memphis Tigers
RUNNER-UP: Sliders Baseball
Final Game Score: Memphis Tigers 3 vs. Sliders Baseball 2

All Tournament Team

Tanner Larkins Crystal Lake Cardinals
Josh Fruhauf Crystal Lake Cardinals
Vinny Atella Crystal Lake Cardinals

Troy Bittenbender Crystal Lake Cardinals
Colton Neel Memphis Tigers
Austin Stewart Memphis Tigers
Chris Durham Memphis Tigers
Jacob Elliott Memphis Tigers
Conner Boyd Shoetiques
Alex Ward Shoetiques
Jevon Shanklin Shoetiques
Nolan Pearson Shoetiques
Rob Perteet Sliders Baseball
Dale Burdick Sliders Baseball
John Alan Wall Sliders Baseball
Dustin Smith Sliders Baseball

Sophomore Division (14 & Under) Division Classic

Championship Series Southaven, Mississippi

WINNER: Dulin Dodgers
RUNNER-UP: Red Raiders
Final Game Score: Dulin Dodgers 6 vs. Red Raiders 3

All Tournament Team

Chase Hamilton Dulin Dodgers
Blake Hennessey Dulin Dodgers
Jordan Barnes Dulin Dodgers
Josh Cooley Dulin Dodgers
Riley Echols Germantown Sox
Ridge Smith Germantown Sox
Michael Spain Germantown Sox
Victor Cole North AL Giants
Luke Pearce North AL Giants
Matt Bolger North AL Giants
Adam Brown North AL Giants
Logan Blum Red Raiders
Cory Crow Red Raiders
Kameron Arvey Red Raiders
Cody Campbell Red Raiders
Chris Blanton Red Raiders

14 & Under Division Classic Championship Series Nashville, Tennessee

WINNER: Middle Tennessee Defenders
RUNNER-UP: White House Tennessee
Final Game Score: Middle Tennessee Defenders 11 vs. Whitehouse Tennessee 7

Recap: *From the Gallatin Examiner*

The bats were on fire but the assembled White House team simply ran out of arms in the 14 & Under NABF Classic held in White House. The Playmakers comeback fell a little short in the championship game on Sunday as the Middle TN Defenders took the title with an 11-7 victory. White House scored once in the first and three in the third but trailed 10-4 after 5 complete innings. The White House team began a comeback attempt in

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2009 NABF Regionals

MAJOR DIVISION (UNLIMITED)

Brooklyn, New York- Regional
Winner: Sports Fever
Final Game Score: Sports Fever,
(NY): 5 vs. Hackensack, (NJ): 3

Buffalo, New York- Regional
Winner: West-Herr
Final Game Score: West-Herr, (NY):
6 vs. Buffalo Leib's, (NY): 5

Cincinnati, Ohio- Regional
Winner: Troy Jet Box
Final Game Score: Troy Jet Box,
(MI): 10 vs. Portland Rockets, (IN): 2

Fort Wayne, Indiana- Regional
Winner: Shady Nook Jackers
Final Game Score: Shady Nook
Jackers, (IN): 7 vs. Chicago Clout,
(IL): 4

Kankakee, Illinois- Regional
Winner: Beecher Muskies
Final Game Score: Beecher
Muskies, (IL): 14 vs. South Bend
Senators, (IN): 2

Orlando, Florida- Regional
Winner: Tampa Elite
Final Game Score: Tampa Elite,
(FL): 10 vs. Ft. Lauderdale Super
Stars, (FL): 2

Salisbury, Maryland- Regional
Winner: Atlantic Coastal Drillers
Final Game Score: Atlantic Coastal
Drillers, (DE): 10 vs. Newark Roy-
als, (NJ): 5

West Haven, Connecticut- Regional
Winner: A-Plus Plumbing
Final Game Score: A-Plus Plumb-
ing, (CT): 6 vs. Stratford Storm,
(CT): 1

Youngstown, Ohio- Regional
Winner: Canton Walther's Cafe
Final Game Score: Canton Wal-
ther's Cafe, (OH): 6 vs. Pittsburg St.
John's, (PA): 1

SOPHOMORE DIVISION (14 & UNDER)

Brooklyn, New York- Regional
Winner: College Point Stars
Final Game Score: College Point
Stars, (NY): 18 vs. Brooklyn Bull-
dogs, (NY): 9

Toledo, Ohio - Regional
Winner: Up-to-Bat-Titans
Final Game Score: Up-to-Bat-
Titans, (OH): 9 vs. Northern Ohio
Hurricanes, (OH): 6

Bowie, Maryland- Regional
Winner: Nothing but Baseball

Final Game Score: Nothing but
Baseball, (PA): 11 vs. Reisterstown
Express, (MD): 5

JUNIOR DIVISION (16 & UNDER)

Angola, Indiana- Regional
Winner: Fort Wayne Cubs
Final Game Score: Fort Wayne
Cubs, (IN): 10 vs. Royville Nine,
(IN): 0

Dayton, Ohio- Regional
Winner: Dayton Dirtbags
Final Game Score: Dayton Dirtbags,
(OH): 3 vs. Cincinnati Hurricanes,
(OH): 2



Struthers, Ohio- Regional
Winner: North Coast Vipers
Final Game Score: North Coast
Vipers, (OH): 7 vs. Astro Falcons,
(OH): 5

Bowie, Maryland-Regional
Winner: Brooklyn Cougars
Final Game Score: Brooklyn Cou-
gars, (NY): 10 vs. Stags Baseball
Club, (MD): 6

Kings Park, New York- Regional
Winner: Long Island Titans (Blue)
Final Game Score: Long Island
Titans, (Blue), (NY): 10 vs. Midville
Dodgers, (NY): 1

Lufkin, Texas- Regional
Winner: Allen Baseball Club
Final Game Score: Allen Baseball
Club, (TX): 7 vs. Bayou City Bears,
(TX): 2

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National Youth Baseball

Lumberjacks, Wildcats

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NABF's West Tennessee Wildcats Reach Semifinal

N. Texas Bulldogs 6, W. Tenn. Wildcats 4

By Jason Grodsky
MLB.com

The North Texas Bulldogs made it an all-Texas final, edging out the West Tennessee Wildcats (NABF) in the second semifinal at the NYB U-10 Division tournament.

Dylan Ditzenberger went 2-for-3 with two RBIs, as the Bulldogs' two-run third inning was the difference in the game. Ditzenberger threw two scoreless innings, striking out four of six batters faced in the final two frames to preserve the win.

NATIONAL YOUTH BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS 10U SCHEDULE & RESULTS

San Diego Stars (USSSA) 3, Dallas Tigers (Super Series) 6
Sandtown Redsox (AABC) 4, Chino Hills (PONY) 5
N. Texas Bulldogs (AAU) 4, Team Georgia (Dixie) 1
Benton Panthers (Babe Ruth) 0, W. Tenn. Wildcats (NABF) 11
Dallas Tigers (Super Series) 11, Team Georgia (Dixie) 0
Chino Hills (PONY) 5, Benton Panthers (Babe Ruth) 6
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W. Tenn. Wildcats (NABF) 11, Sandtown Redsox (AABC) 9
N. Texas Bulldogs (AAU) 6, Dallas Tigers (Super Series) 9
Chino Hills (PONY) 4, W. Tenn. Wildcats (NABF) 7
Team Georgia (Dixie) 1, San Diego Stars (USSSA) 13
Benton Panthers (Babe Ruth) 0, Sandtown Redsox (AABC) 2

Semis

Dallas Tigers (Super Series) 7, Sandtown Redsox (AABC) 5
W. Tenn. Wildcats (NABF) 4, N. Texas Bulldogs (AAU) 6

Final

N. Texas Bulldogs (AAU) 3, Dallas Tigers (Super Series) 1

12U SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Simi Bronco (PONY) 1, Norwalk Stingrays (USSSA) 12
Bullets Gold (AAU) 4, Forest Hills All-Stars (Babe Ruth) 14
Puerto Rico Vaqueros (AABC) 3, Team Rattlers (Super Series) 2
Miss. Lumberjacks (NABF) 5, Columbia County Stars (Dixie) 1
Team Rattlers (Super Series) 5, Simi Bronco (PONY) 3
Columbia County Stars (Dixie) 1, Bullets Gold (AAU) 2
Norwalk Stingrays (USSSA) 5, Puerto Rico Vaqueros (AABC) 1
Forest Hills All-Stars (Babe Ruth) 8, Miss. Lumberjacks (NABF) 4
Simi Bronco (PONY) 0, Puerto Rico Vaqueros (AABC) 10
Bullets Gold (AAU) 6, Miss. Lumberjacks (NABF) 5
Norwalk Stingrays (USSSA) 3, Team Rattlers (Super Series) 7
Forest Hills All-Stars (Babe Ruth) 9, Columbia County Stars (Dixie) 5

Semis

Team Rattlers (Super Series) 10, Bullets Gold (AAU) 0
Forest Hills All-Stars (Babe Ruth) 5, Puerto Rico Vaqueros (AABC) 4

Final

Forest Hills All-Stars (Babe Ruth) 6, Team Rattlers (Super Series) 18

W. Tenn. Wildcats 7, Chino Hill Stars (Calif.) 4

By Rustin Dodd / MLB.com

The W. Tennessee Wildcats scored six runs in the first two innings and never looked back.

Weston Bizzle went 2-for-3 with an RBI, and the Wildcats beat the Chino Hills Stars, 7-4, on Friday evening.

Chino Hills, which lost to the Benton Panthers earlier in the day, fell to 0-2 for the day.

The four-day "National Youth Baseball Championships" tournament is the initial effort of the "Major Youth Baseball Alliance, LLC." The MYBA is a newly formed company comprised of eight major youth organizations, including AABC (American Amateur Baseball Congress), AAU (Amateur Athletic Union of the United States), Babe Ruth Baseball, Dixie Youth Baseball, NABF (National Amateur Baseball Federation), Pony Baseball, Super Series Baseball of America and USSA (United States Specialty Sports Association).

The inaugural tournament was played in Memphis, Tenn., from August 21-24 and crowned national champions in the 10-under and 12-under divisions of the eight participating organizations, which include more than 100,000 teams. In 2008, Tomateros de California from the USSSA won the 10-under division with a 7-6 win over Juice 10s from the AAU. In the 12-under division, Juice 12s of the AAU defeated SE Lexington Babe Ruth. The 2009 event was from August 27-30, again in Memphis. New Era Cap Company is the title sponsor for the 2009 event. Future plans call for the tournament to include as many as eight different age groups.

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Crystal Lake Cardinals — CWS Champs

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6-1 score.

iel Murphy (Bentley), Christopher Pabisch (Adelphi), Keith Picconi (Frederick CC), Ian Solomon (New Haven), Anthony Surber (SUNY), and Scott Wolling (Framingham State).

In pool play, Crystal Lake was the runner-up to the Boyle Braves (Harry Startzell Collegiate League, Pa.). The Cardinals suffered their only loss of the tournament to the Braves 5-2 in their final pool play game.

The Cardinals opened with a 6-1 victory over the Chillicothe Capitals (Central Ohio Amateur Baseball Federation) at Skeldon Stadium, then split two games to finish 2-1 and tied with Boyle in wins. At Owens College, the Cardinals defeated the Mill Basin Mariners-Gauchos (Parade Grounds League, N.Y.) 12-4, but lost to the Boyle Braves.

Dix Hills was undefeated in pool play, defeating the Columbia Reds (Maryland State Baseball Association Eddie Brooks League), 11-5, at the City of Toledo's Rich Arbinger Field at Bowman Park, and then defeated the Allegheny Athletics (Tri-State Collegiate League, Pa.), 8-6, and the Alton Indians (St. Louis Metro Collegiate League), 17-6, at the University of Toledo's Scott Park.

In the quarterfinals, the Dodgers defeated the Brunswick Express (Blue Ridge League, Pa./Md.) 5-2, despite leaving double digit numbers on base, and the Cardinals defeated the 2005 NABF College Division champion Michigan Bulls (Livonia Collegiate League) by a

In the semifinals, Crystal Lake defeated Youngstown, Ohio regional winner Shannon Fence (Tri-State Collegiate League, Ohio/Pa.) by a close 7-6 score, and Dix Hills defeated the defending champion and host team, the Ohio Monarchs Gold (Toledo Amateur Baseball Federation), 11-3.

Other quarterfinal games saw the Ohio Monarchs Gold defeat the Boyle Braves 6-5 in a 10-inning contest and Shannon Fence defeated the Alton Indians 7-5.

Shannon Fence, coached by John "Sparks" Sankal, was the only other team to go undefeated in pool play, defeating the Brunswick Express 11-1, the Mifflin County Stars 12-2, and the Ohio Monarchs Blue 10-4.

Shannon Fence hitter Chad Mullins (Case Western Reserve) won the NABF College Division Batting Championship by clearing a .600 batting average, but several Dix Hills Dodger players were hitting over .500 and were in place to win the batting title had not Huck shut them down in the championship game.

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