

# Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association

NOVEMBER 1969 NEWSLETTER

The membership drive is still on. We now have 127 members. There are over 400 teams in our state. I hope we can reach one-third of them this year. If you belong to a League, write the members in your league who are not listed, and encourage them to join the organization.

Enclosed you will find a list of members listed by districts. If you see that someone is not on this list, make sure you contact him and remind him of the association.

The voting ballots for your district representatives will come out in December. Make sure you send them in ten days after you receive your ballots. We need your vote.

The baseball advisory board will be meeting sometime in November in Boone. Contact them if you wish to bring something up for discussion. We hope the canvas for the state tournament site can be discussed and recommended to the Board of Control for purchase.

A new book we recommended to you to read last year was "Coach's Guide to Drills and Skills" by Danny Litwhiler, Prentice-Hall. If you have knowledge of any other good books for coaches to read, send them in and we will get them in the newsletter.

Next month's newsletter will carry a summary of the survey we sent out in our October newsletter dealing with Number of games, salary, umpire fees. We are compiling the data and will have it for you in the December newsletter. We hope this will benefit you in your program. So far 35 coaches have returned their cards. If you forgot, get it in the mail today.

An apology to Vic Belger and the O. L. G. C. team who won the 1969 Fall Tournament. In our last newsletter we said Wallace Parman and his Fonda team won. We are sorry for the mistake. Congratulations to Vic and the O. L. G. C. team. We hope to have Vic at our Clinic talking on one of the topics.

The clinic plans are going along as scheduled. We hope you make your plans to get the day off and join us in a top notch clinic for baseball coaches and fans. It is open to boys who are interested in learning a lot of baseball. Dates are Friday and Saturday, March 13 and 14, 1970 in Cedar Rapids.

Another great name in the field of baseball has been added to our Clinic roster. He is Dr. Dolan, Director of Health and Physical Education of Northeast Missouri State at Kirksville, Missouri. He will speak for one hour at each session. He will be very informative, entertaining, blunt and to the point. He will talk on baseball injuries and the role of coach to the athletic injury. Dr. Dolan comes to us with a lot of experience. He goes to the Yankee and Giant training camps each year to help them with their program. We hope you are starting to make your plans to attend our association clinic. It will be one of the best around.

A number of questions have come up during the past month that I'll try to answer.

QUESTION: Why can't the Clinic be centrally located?

ANSWER: Nearly 90% of the Association membership is between the Mississippi River and Des Moines. Also, the Cedar Rapids coaches have been doing the work setting up the clinic and running it. This is in conjunction with the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association. We are hoping that membership will increase in the western part of the state and it will be feasible for the clinic to be held in the central part of the state.

QUESTION: Are boys left off the All-District teams if their coach does not belong to the Association?

ANSWER: No boy is left off because his coach does not belong. The all-district teams are trying to promote more baseball interest in the boys and coaches throughout Iowa. We hope more coaches join our association so we can get more nominations for all-district teams. It must be remembered this is the Coaches' Association All-District Teams. Only members vote on such a team. There were a large number of boys nominated for All-District and a large number of boys who made all-district teams whose coach was not a member of our organization. This is a baseball coaches organization and if you are an Iowa coach you owe it to yourself and your players to belong.

A committee of coaches selected the All-District teams from the ballots of the districts. If there is a better way of getting All-District teams, write me or your district representative and it will be discussed at the next Board meeting. I'm sure the All-District selection will be reviewed at the Board meeting. We are open to any type of help or advice we can get.

The nomination ballots sent out last month produced these candidates for district representative:

CENTRAL DISTRICT, Class AA: Bob Locker, DM Lincoln; Don Mauro, DM Dowling  
 Class A: Byron Rhodes, Beaman Conrad; Duane Newton, NESCO  
 NORTHEAST DISTRICT, Class AA: Vern Bredeson, CR Jefferson; Lloyd Spier, CR Kennedy  
 Class A: Dennis Olejniczak, Decorah; Gay Bowden, West Union  
 SOUTHEAST DISTRICT, Class AA: Dick Wagner, Burlington; Bill Freese, Dav. Central  
 Class A: Buck Cheadle, Pekin High; \_\_\_\_\_  
 SOUTHWEST DISTRICT, Class AA: Jim Jagim, Indianola; \_\_\_\_\_  
 Class A: Anley Twedt, Jefferson; \_\_\_\_\_  
 NORTHWEST DISTRICT, Class AA: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Class A: Dave Mulder, Sioux Center; Duane Bittenob, Aurelia;  
 Vince Meyer, Bancroft

The following major league clubs said they will honor our association pass (or will not honor pass but will take care of you if you are in the area if you contact ahead\*).

- CHICAGO WHITE SOX: Don Unferth or Stu Holcomb, Dan Ryan at 35th Street, Chicago, Illinois, Phone 924-1000
- BALTIMORE ORIOLES\*: Robert Brown, Public Relations Director, Memorial Stadium, Baltimore, Maryland 21218, Phone CH 39800
- CALIFORNIA ANGELS: Must call or write at least 24 hours prior to game to George Lederer, Director, Public Relations, Anaheim Stadium, P. O. Box 3820, Anaheim, California
- NEW YORK YANKEES: Call for a free ticket to Robert Fishel, Vice-President, Public Relations, Yankee Stadium, Bronx, New York 10451, Phone 293-4300
- PHILADELPHIA NATIONAL LEAGUE CLUB: Paul Owens, Director, Minor League Clubs, Connie Mack Stadium, Philadelphia, Pa. 19132, Phone BA 9-9200
- SEATTLE PILOTS: Call or write Ray Swallow, Director of Scouting, 2700 Rainier Avenue South, Seattle, Washington 98144, Phone 206-725-8500
- ST. LOUIS NATIONAL BASEBALL CLUB, INC.\*: Contact Bob Harlan, Public Relations Director, Busch Memorial Stadium, St. Louis, Missouri 63102, Phone 314-421-3060
- HOUSTON SPORTS ASSOCIATION, INC.: Show pass at Gate 3 at the Astrodome, Dick McDowell, Ticket Manager, P. O. Box 288, Houston, Texas 77001, Ri 8-4500
- MONTREAL EXPOS\*: See or write Jim Fanning, General Manager. Identify yourself as a member of the IHSBCA, 1010 Catherine Street West, Montreal 110, Quebec, Phone 514-875-2300
- CLEVELAND INDIANS, INC.\*: Must make arrangements in advance, The Stadium, Cleveland, Ohio 44114, Phone 851-1200
- DETROIT TIGERS\*: Write Ed Katalinas, Director of Scouting, in advance, Detroit, Michigan 48216, Phone 962-4000
- KANSAS CITY ROYALS\*: Write or call in advance for tickets, Kansas City, Missouri.

The following will NOT honor our card: The Senators, Minnesota Twins, New York Mets, Pittsburgh Pirates, Boston Red Sox, Atlanta Braves, Los Angeles Dodgers, and Chicago Cubs. These are the clubs who returned a letter stating their position. You must write or call in advance on most for free passes. Mention you are a member of the IHSBCA. We hope to expand this list in future years.

Up-To-Date Membership by District:

NORTHWEST DISTRICT: Representatives-Vince Meyer, Duane Buttenob, Sherman Arends, LuVerne; Vic Belger, Fonda-OLGC; Duane Buttenob, Aurelia; Vincent Erdmann, Linn Grove; Michael Loehrer, Storm Lake; Orval Madden, Alton-Floyd Valley High; Steve McGraw, Sibley; Vince Meyer, Bancroft-St. Johns; Dave Mulder, Sioux Center; Michael Sheil, Lawton-Bronson; Marvin Thelen, Remsen-St. Marys.

**SOUTHWEST DISTRICT:** Representatives-Don Burgess, Keith Meyer, Jim Jagim. William Blazek, Earlham; Jake Grasmuch, Villisca; Jim Jagim, Indianola; David Jauron, Essex; Bill Moore, Paton Churdan; Anley O. Twedt, Jefferson; Kenny Winkler, Essex; Chuck Burnett, Atlantic.

**CENTRAL DISTRICT:** Representatives-Bob Locker, Byron Rhodes. Ron Adcock, DM Roosevelt; James Barr, BGM Brooklyn; Robert Beilstein, DM Lincoln; Robert Case, DM Tech; Martin Dittmer, Ellsworth College; Harold Dole, Grundy Center; Tom England, Marshalltown; Kent Folsom, Dysart Geneseo; Conrad Githens, Adel; David Hansen, Altoona; Len Hoogensen, Grinnell; Jim House, North Mahaska; Jerry Kindhart, Huxley-Ballard; Dallas Kray, Roland-Story High; Wenlyn Lindeman, Iowa Falls; Harold Lister, North Tama; Bob Locker, DM Lincoln; Bill Lombard, Barnum; Jack Babe Mallaro, Ft. Dodge Comm. College; Don Mauro, DM Dowling; Ed McNeil, Fort Dodge; Duane Newton, NESCO; Marty Patterson, Fort Dodge; Terry Peters, Marshalltown; John Pierick, Bode; Byron Rhodes, Beaman Conrad; Clair Rierson, Iowa State Univ; King Schaudt, Slater; James Steiert, West Marshall; Gben "Bus" Stewart, East DM; Robert Watson, DM Hoover; Robert White, Allison Bristow; Tom Wiltgen, DM Hoover; Lou Yacinich, Saydel; Arnold Zediker, Ames.

**SOUTHEAST DISTRICT:** Representatives-Bill Freese, Dick Wagner, Bill Lehr. Bill Best, Moline; Jack Blake, Bettendorf; Ted Chambers, IC West; Tom Corrick, Lowden; Buck Cheadle, Pekin; Pat Daugherty, Centerville Comm. College; Marvin Flanders, Winfield Mt. Union; Bill Freese, Davenport Central; Lowell Grunwald, Davenport West; Melvin Happel, Victor; Bill Lehr, Clinton; Don Miller, Davenport Assumption; Robert Moore, Moline; Paul Ostrander, Pella; Dallas Queck, Davenport Central; Kenneth Miller, Burlington; Alan Redmon, Tri County; Thornburg; Carroll Scott, Williamsburg; David Townsend, Central Argyle; Joe Utter, DeWitt Central; Dick Wagner, Burlington.

**NORTHEAST DISTRICT:** Representatives-Dennis Olejniczak, Gay Bowden, Vern Bredeson. J. D. Anderson, U. of N. Iowa; Donald Ash, CR Wilson; Gene Balk, Mason City; Gay Bowden, North High West Union; George Brooks, Rake; Bob Bunting, Lisbon; Robert Close, Cedar Rapids, Richard Gore, Dubuque Hempstead; Mike Crimmings, Osage; Reid Dillon, Elkader; Les Dollinger, Marion; Dennis Goettel, McKinley CR; Bill Herkelman, CR Kennedy; Lyle Holtzer, Rake; Dave Hoyt, CR Washington; Bernie Hutchison, Norway; Stan Jack, Upper Iowa Univ; Larry Jepsen, Monticello; Robert Johann, CR Taft; Roger Kittleson, Waterloo East; Richard Koolbeck, Kirkwood Comm. College; Dennis Kuennen, Holy Cross; Raymond Manship, Van Horne; Jerry Mauren, CR Washington; Eugene Meister, Lake Mills; Bob Meyer, Cedar Rapids; Mel Neil, Wapsie Valley; Robert Nelson, Nora Springs-Rock Falls; Darwin Oehlerich, Benton Comm.; Dennis Olejniczak, Decorah; Larry Perkins, Marion; Harold "Pinky" Primrose, CR Washington; Jim Renning, Cedar Falls; Paul Ridder, CR Jefferson; Nevin Roberts, Linn Mar of Marion; Bob Rotach, Waukon St. Pats; Lowell Ryan, Norway; Bill Schupbach, Cedar Rapids; Al Seabrooke, Valley High, Elgin; George Seyfer, Cedar Rapids; Tom Simpson, Waterloo West; George Sovereign, Cedar Falls; Lloyd Spier, CR Kennedy; Gary Stamp, Vinton; Elmer Starr, Mason City; George Thomson, CR Roosevelt; Lee Tow, Walford; Bob Vrbicek, Marion; Michael Waldron, CR Kennedy; Frank Young, CR Prairie.

**Honorary Membership:** Bernie Saggau, Harold Schmickley.

**Hall of Fame:** Ken Blackman, Emil Klumpar, Mon Whitford, Ham Peterson.

Yours for better baseball in Iowa,  
Harold "Pinky" Primrose, President