# NATIONAL COLLEGIATE BASEBALL WRITERS ASSOCIATION NCBWA

## LINE DRIVES THE NATIONAL COLLEGIATE BASEBALL WRITERS NEWSLETTER

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#### **NCBWA President's Message**

The college baseball season is a little over the halfway point and what a season it has been ... It is great to see how much parity there is in college baseball this year with several teams earning the No. 1 spot and how much change there has been in the polls.

It is great to turn on ESPN and see how many college games from across the country are being televised ... I was in Greenville, N.C., for our series with East Carolina this past weekend and watched parts of the Texas-Nebraska series ... What a series that was ... The exposure that college baseball is gaining through ESPN, along with the other networks spreads the word even more about how great our game is ...

If you haven't done so, please get your All-American and Dick Howser Trophy nominations into Bo Carter (<u>bo@big12sports.com</u>) by Friday, April 15. We have seen a lot of great individual performances thus far this season, and we would hate to see someone not get honored because the deadline was missed.

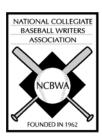
All of the NCBWA members should have received a directory in the mail already ... If you haven't, please contact one of the officers so we can get one to you ... It is a handy tool for the promotion of college baseball and is a great resource tool in the press box.

Be on the watch for the updated midseason release for the Stopper of the Year Award, which includes the national saves leaders, that should be released during the week of April 18 ... At the end of the regular season, the Division I leader in saves and four other relief pitching standouts will be selected as the award's first finalists ... These finalists will be released on Wednesday, June 1, just prior to the beginning of NCAA regional play ... From the list of finalists, the NCBWA's All-America Committee will select a winner ... The first annual winner will be announced on Wednesday, June 8, two days prior to the beginning of NCAA super regional action.

If you have any ideas for promoting college baseball or making our organization better with the ability to reach a wider audience, please contact one of the officers and give them your ideas ... Also if you know of someone in our profession or in the media who follows college baseball, please encourage them to join our organization.

There are still a lot of outstanding conference series and midweek games still left to be played during the second half of the season as things wind down toward the conference tournaments the last week of May and into the NCAA Tournament. So support your teams, promote your individual players who are deserving and good luck down the stretch run.

Mike Montoro NCBWA President Southern Miss



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## 2005 DICK HOWSER AWARD NOMINATION PROCESS

DALLAS - For the seventh year in succession, the NCBWA and St. Petersburg Area Chamber of Commerce are starting the process for nomination and awarding of the 19th annual Xanthus-Dick Howser Trophy and NCBWA All-America teams.

Nominations will be accepted by faxing or emailing candidates to: (214-753-0145; Attn: Bo Carter) or email: bo@big12sports.com.

#### Timeline

Timeline	
Fri., April 15	Deadline for Initial Set of Nominations
Wed., Apr. 20	First Ballot e-Mailed to Membership
Wed., April 27	Deadline for First Round of Voting
Thu., April 28	64 Xanthus-Dick Howser Trophy Watch List Announced
Tue., May 10	Second Ballot e-Mailed to Membership
Wed., May 18	Deadline for Second Round of Voting
Thu., May 19	16 Xanthus-Dick Howser Semifinalists Announced
Tue., May 31	Final Ballot e-Mailed to Membership
Wed., June 8	Deadline for Final Round of Voting
Thu., June 9	Eight Xanthus-Dick Howser Trophy Finalists Announced
Fri., June 10	Regional Players of the Year Announced
Tue., June 14	NCBWA All-American Teams Announced
Fri., June 17	Xanthus-Dick Howser Trophy Winner Announced in Omaha

The winner's name is inscribed on the permanent trophy, a bronze bust of Howser permanently displayed at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg, home of the Tampa Bay Devil Rays. Both the winner and his school receive a special trophy to keep.

The St. Petersburg Area Chamber of Commerce has had over 100 years of community service since its founding in 1899. The organization has long been a vital force in the baseball affairs of the city, both in spring training and during the pursuit of a major league baseball franchise for the Tampa Bay area, and continues its solid role in the 21st Century.

NCBWA membership includes writers, broadcasters and publicists. Designed to promote and publicize college baseball, it is the sport's only college media-related organization, founded in 1962.

The Howser Trophy was created in 1987, shortly after Howser's death. Previous winners of the Howser Trophy are Mike Fiore, Miami, 1987; Robin Ventura, Oklahoma State, 1988; Scott Bryant, Texas, 1989; Alex Fernandez, Miami-Dade Community College South, 1990; Frank Rodriguez, Howard College (Texas), 1991; Brooks Kieschnick, Texas, 1992 and 1993; Jason Varitek, Georgia Tech, 1994; Todd Helton, Tennessee, 1995; Kris Benson, Clemson, 1996; J.D. Drew, Florida State, 1997; Eddy Furniss, LSU, 1998; Jason Jennings, Baylor, 1999; and Mark Teixeira, Georgia Tech, 2000; Mark Prior, Southern California, 2001; Khalil Greene, Clemson, 2002; Rickey Weeks, Southern, 2003; and Jered Weaver, Long Beach State, 2004.

For further information about the Howser Trophy, please contact: David Feaster, Chair, Dick Howser Trophy Committee, 1717 73rd Circle, NE, St. Petersburg, FL 33702, (727) 388-1000.



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## 2005 XANTHUS-DICK HOWSER TROPHY - NCBWA ALL-AMERICA TEAM NOMINATION FORM

Nominations are due on April 15

Pos. Name, School	Class	BA	AB	R	Н	HR	RBI_		
Name, School (L/R)	Class	W-L	ERA	G IP		H B	B SO	SV	

Please Fax (214-753-0145) or email (bo@big12sports.com) - Attn: Bo Carter if faxing...Thanks!

#### Pro-Line Cap NCBWA Division I Players/Pitchers of Week

	Player	<u>Pitcher</u>
Feb. 8	OF Frank Rembert, Elon	Erik Averill, Arizona State
Feb. 15	2B Scott Bridges, Arkansas	Brian Bogusevic, Tulane
Feb. 22	OF Drew Stubbs, Texas	Taylor Fowler, Arkansas State
Mar. 1	OF-DH Kurt Eichorn, Kent State	Tyler Chambliss, Florida State
Mar. 8	OF Matt Wieters, Georgia Tech	J.C. Biagi, Centenary
Mar. 15	OF Jeremy Slayden, Georgia Tech	Lance Broadway, TCU; Gib Hobson, NC State
Mar. 22	3B Alex Gordon, Nebraska	Luke Hochevar, Tennessee
Mar. 29	2B Josh Rodriguez, Rice	Brent Gaphardt, Delaware
Apr. 5	1B Mike Baxter, Vanderbilt	Max Scherzer, Missouri
Apr. 12	1B Dusty Bensko, Illinois	J. Brent Cox, Texas

#### **Special Note to Baseball Contacts and NCBWA Members**

The mid-season update to watch list for the inaugural NCBWA Stopper of the Year Award will be announced the week of April 18. If you have a candidate who should be included on the next list, please generate the individual game-by-game report in the Automated Scorebook season reports and email a PDF of that report to Todd Lamb (NCBWA First VP) at <a href="mailto:lamb.8@osu.edu">lamb.8@osu.edu</a> no later than Monday, April 18 at 12 noon, EDT. The NCAA will begin publishing national baseball stats on April 11 and the saves list will be used to help determine who should be included on the mid-season watch list.

#### **Triple Play – Around the Horn**

Slippery Rock University turned a 5-4-3-2 triple play in the bottom of the third inning of an Apr. 12 first game win at Pitt-Johnstown.

#### Canadians Again Prevalent in 2005 College Baseball

Note: Special thanks again for faithful NCBWA member Bob Elliott of the Toronto SUN for the annual All-Canadian College Team. Please email news or additional names of standout student-athletes in baseball to: <a href="http://slam.canoe.ca/SlamBaseballCanada/home.html">http://slam.canoe.ca/SlamBaseballCanada/home.html</a>).

MacFarlane Tops Fifth All-Canada Squad in 2004 SLAM! Canadian Baseball College team By Bob Elliott for SLAM! Canadian Baseball

Shortstop Jonathon Malo had almost half as many honors as doubles during the 2004 college baseball season. Malo (sophomore, St-Roch-de-l'Achigan, Que.), of the Northeastern Oklahoma A & M Golden Norse, had a career season, which included being named conference player of the year, receiving All-America kudos and a six-figure signing bonus from the New York Mets. Hitting 11 homers and knocking in 62 runs in 53 games has a way of impressing scouts.

Outfielder Matt Gunning was also named conference player of the year and he too received all-America laurels not once, not twice, but three times. Gunning (senior, Victoria, BC), of the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers hit 15 homers and slugged 73 RBIs for the conference champs. Malo and Gunning each received 29 first-place votes for our fifth annual SLAM! Canadian Baseball All-Canadian College team.

Yet, neither were top dogs on this illustrious list.

Outfielder Charlie MacFarlane (junior, Lantzville, BC), of the Cumberland Bulldogs was the most popular player at the polling station with 36 first-place votes on the 45-man panel. MacFarlane helped Cumberland win the Avista 2004 NAIA World Series on his way to a 23-homer, 80-RBI season. There should have been an indication MacFarlane would garner the most first-place votes as he became our first-ever, three-time SLAM! Canadian Baseball College Player of the Week winner.

It was the second straight year that the leading vote getter came from the Avista NAIA World Series champs. Catcher Aaron McRae (Delta, BC), of the Louisiana State-Shreveport Pilots, received the most first-place votes with 37. After a summer playing for the Victoria Royals in the Pacific West league, as he did on Canada Day in an 8-7 win over the Langley Blaze alongside Jordan Blundell (Edmonton, Alta.) and Gunning, MacFarlane was voted to the NAIA preseason All-America team.

At the Trans-South conference tourney in Cleveland, Tenn., MacFarlane singled in four at-bats as Cumberland edged the Berry Vikings 2-1 in the tourney opener, had an RBI single as Cumberland beat the Martin Methodist Red Hawks 12-1, and went an amazing 7-for-7 in a 25-5 win over Martin Methodist. MacFarlane hit the cycle, that included two home runs, his 18th and 19th and drove in five runs

He also hit an inside-the-park homer and drove in four runs as the Bulldogs beat Berry 14-9 to win the Trans South tournament.

The fifth annual SLAM! Canadian Baseball All-Canadian College team recognizes 84 players on our first, second and third team as well as our honorable mentions from eight provinces (Ontario led the way with 40 players selected, followed by British Columbia with 25). The rest of the list included: Alberta with seven, followed by Quebec with five, Saskatchewan with four and Manitoba with three.

In total, there were 45 voters from eight provinces and seven different states on our panel (13 coaches, 11 executives and administrators, 10 scouts, two former players, two stats mavens, two writers one agent, a TV broadcaster, the crack four-person SLAM! staff. A total of 54 ballots were sent to prospective voters.

Close behind MacFarlane the champ, for were the Malo and Gunning combo with 29 first-place votes apiece.

#### First Team

Left-handed starter: Brad Ashman (sophomore, Trail, BC), of the British Columbia Thunderbirds.

Right-handed starter: Jordan Thomson (senior, Ottawa, Ont.) of the Northeastern Huskies.

Closer: Robbie Findlay (senior, Etobicoke, Ont.), of the TCU Horned Frogs.

Catcher: Chris Robinson (sophomore, Dorchester, Ont.), of the Illinois Fighting Illini.

First base: Miguel Paquette (junior, Casselman, Ont.) of the Northeastern Huskies.

Second base: Russ Smithson (sophomore, Port Coquitlam, BC), of the El Paso Tejanos.

Third base: John Mariotti (freshman, Toronto, Ont.), of the Gulf Coast Commodores.

Shortstop: Jonathon Malo (sophomore, St-Roch-de-l'Achigan, Que.), of the Northeastern Oklahoma A & M Golden Norse.

Outfield: Charlie MacFarlane (junior, Lantzville, BC), of the Cumberland Bulldogs; Matt Gunning (senior, Victoria, BC), of the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers and Mike Larson (junior, Weyburn, Sask.), of the California (Pa.) Vulcans.

DH: Matthieu Bergeron (sophomore, Trois-Rivieres, Que.), of the Northeastern A&M Golden Norse.

#### **Second Team**

Left-handed starter: Tyler Dale (freshman, Nelson, BC) of the Central Arizona Vaqueros.

Right-handed starter: Steven Carter (senior, Windsor, Ont.) of the Coastal Carolina Chantileers.

Closer: Charlie Strandlund (sophomore, Victoria, BC), of the Southern Idaho Golden Eagles.

Catcher: Lance Tofflemire (freshman, Leamington, Ont.), of the Parkland Cobras.

First base (tie): Cam Houston (senior, Spruce Grove, Alta.), of the Fort Hays State Tigers and Keith Glawson (sophomore, Morden, Man.), of the Campbellsville Tigers.

Second base: Ivan Naccarata (senior, Longeuil, Que.), of the Louisiana State Fighting Tigers.

Third base: Anthony Granato (senior, Toronto, Ont.), of the Virginia Commonwealth Rams.

Shortstop: Reed Eastley (junior, Brandon, Man.), of the Niagara Purple Eagles.

Outfield: Nicolas Boisvert (freshman, Laval, Que.), of the Northeastern Oklahoma A & M Golden Norse; David Lamky (senior, Cambridge, Ont.), of the Northwood Timberwolves and Craig Barber (senior, Richmond, BC), of the Dowling Golden Lions.

DH: Dan Grant (senior, Thunder Bay, Ont.), of the Northern Iowa Panthers.

#### Third Team

Left-handed starter (tie): R.J. Swindle (junior, Vancouver, BC), of the Charleston Southern Buccaneers and Adam Daniels (sophomore, North Vancouver, BC) of the Eastern Oklahoma Mountaineers.

Right-handed starter: Jeff Duda (freshman, Surrey, BC) of the Central Arizona Vaqueros.

Closer (tie): Chris Leroux (sophomore, Mississauga, Ont.) of the Winthrop Eagles and Adam Walton (senior, Quesnel, BC), of the Jamestown Jimmies.

Catcher (tie): Jake Elder (junior, Delta, BC) of the Minnesota Golden Gophers and Dillon O'Krane (freshman, Langley BC), of the Iowa Western Reivers.

First base: DJ Feil (freshman, Swift Current, Sask.) of the Northland Lumberjacks.

Second base: Chris Becker (senior, Guelph, Ont.), of the Arkansas-Little Rock Trojans and Mark Capone (sophomore, Etobicoke, Ont.), of the British Columbia Thunderbirds.

Third base: Jeremy Procyshen (senior, Saskatoon, Sask.), of the Olivet Nazerene Tigers and Steve Clark (senior, Calgary, Alta.), of the Cameron Aggies.

Shortstop: Mike Ambrose (sophomore, St. Thomas, Ont.), of the Eastern Oklahoma Mountaineers.

Outfield: Sebastien Boucher (junior, Ottawa, Ont.), of the Bethune-Cookman Wildcats, Alan Cattrysse (sophomore, Chatham, Ont.), of the Michigan State Spartans and Justin Millward (senior, Campbell River, BC), of the Jamestown Jimmies.

DH: Mike Alati (sophomore, Vaughan, Ont.), of the Niagara Purple Eagles.

#### **College Marathon Games**

#### By Phil Lowry, Special Contributor

I am a fellow NCBWA member. For 42 years, I've been researching baseball's longest and shortest games --- 20 or more innings, game time less than 90 minutes or more than 6 hours, elapsed time of more than 7 hours (including delays), rain delays of 3 or more hours, doubleheaders of 26 or more innings, all tripleheaders, and games ending after 1 AM, ever since my father and I attended a doubleheader August 9, 1963 which ended at 2:30 AM. The next day we discovered nobody could answer the question, "Is that the longest-ever day of baseball?"

The following records are not official in any way. They're just what I have found so far. The NAIA, NCAA, NCCAA, and NJCAA do not keep such records. I'm certain there are more such games waiting to be discovered, especially in the NAIA and NJCAA. I have found only one game time under 90 minutes so far. There **have** to be other such 4 ½-inning or 5-inning games lasting less than 90 minutes. I've discovered 22 games of 20 or more innings, 9 game times of 6+ hours, three doubleheaders lasting 26 or more innings, and seven tripleheaders.

If you know of any such games, anywhere, at any level, please contact me via e-mail at <a href="mailto:plowry1176@aol.com">plowry1176@aol.com</a> or via postal mail at 4323 Woodhill Road, Minnetonka, MN 55345. I'm especially interested in finding the record shortest single games and doubleheaders. Thank you very much for your help.

#### UNOFFICIAL NAIA RECORDS

<u>LONGEST GAME TIME FOR SINGLE GAME, AND MOST INNINGS FOR SINGLE GAME</u> – 6:00 and 21 innings – Babson Park, FL – 2/19/1999 and 2/20/1999 – Nova Southeastern Knights 9 Webber Warriors 8.

<u>LONGEST GAME TIME FOR 9-INNING GAME</u> – 4:30 - Dahlonega – 4/23/2004 – Faulkner Eagles 19 Georgia Southwestern State Hurricanes 12 – finished at 1:30 AM.

MOST INNINGS FOR DOUBLEHEADER – 27 innings – Honolulu, HI – 4/13/1990 – Hawai'i Pacific Sea Warriors vs. Idaho (later Albertson) Coyotes, UNKNOWN GAME TIMES.

<u>MOST INNINGS FOR TRIPLEHEADER</u> - 27 innings – Miami Gardens, FL – 1/29/2005 – Lee Flames vs. St. Thomas Bobcats; <u>also</u> Springfield, MO – 5/11/1996 – Benedictine Ravens vs. Missouri Valley Vikings, then two games vs. Evangel Crusaders, BALLPARKS UNKNOWN.

LATEST FINISH - 4:59 AM - Corbin, KY - 5/9/1996 - Lindsey Wilson Blue Raiders 8 Pikeville Bears 5.

<u>UNKNOWN</u>: SHORTEST GAME TIME FOR SINGLE GAME; SHORTEST COMBINED GAME TIME FOR DOUBLEHEADER; LONGEST COMBINED GAME TIME FOR TRIPLEHEADER; LONGEST COMBINED GAME TIME FOR DOUBLEHEADER; LONGEST GAME TIME FOR 9-INNING GAME; LONGEST RAIN DELAY

#### **UNOFFICIAL NCAA DIVISION I RECORDS**

SHORTEST GAME TIME FOR 9-INNING GAME – 1:39 - Eck Stadium, South Bend, IN – 4/1/2002 – Notre Dame Fighting Irish 1 Brigham Young Cougars 0.

<u>SHORTERST GAME TIME</u> - 1:10 – Carson Center Field, Evansville, IN – 5/1/1999 – Evansville Purple Aces 1 Southern Illinois Salukis 0 in 7 innings.

<u>SHORTEST COMBINED GAME TIME FOR DOUBLEHEADER</u> - 3:07 – Carson Center Field, Evansville, IN – 5/1/1999 – Evansville Purple Aces vs. Southern Illinois Salukis in 1:10 and 7 innings, then in 1:57 and 9 innings.

<u>LONGEST GAME TIME FOR SINGLE GAME</u> – 6:43 – Houston, TX – 2/21/1999 – Baylor Bears 8 Houston Cougars 2.

MOST INNINGS FOR SINGLE GAME – 22 innings – Lincoln, NB – 4/26/1974 – Colorado Buffaloes 2 Nebraska Cornhuskers 1; also Houston, TX – 2/21/1999 – Baylor Bears 8 Houston Cougars 2.

<u>LONGEST ELAPSED TIME FOR SINGLE GAME, AND LONGEST RAIN DELAY</u> - 10:02 = 1:50 game + 8:12 rain delay – Holyoke, MA – 5/24/1978 – Delaware Blue Hens 1 Harvard Crimson 0 in 6 innings, rain delay 8:12 top 7th.

<u>LONGEST GAME TIME FOR 9-INNING GAME</u> - 3:57 – Lubbock, TX – 3/6/2004 – Harvard Crimson 25 Air Force Falcons 20.

LONGEST ELAPSED TIME FOR 9-INNING GAME (QUESTIONABLE) - 6:15 = 5:15 game + 1:00 rain delay - Charleston, SC - 3/15/2001 - Citadel Bulldogs 5 Butler Bulldogs 1 - although the scoresheet and both school ADs confirm that this game began at 4 PM and finished at 10:15 PM, and was only delayed by rain for 60 minutes, it is hard to comprehend how 8 ½ innings could have taken 5 hours and 15 minutes to play; that is 44 minutes per inning. LONGEST COMBINED GAME TIME FOR DOUBLEHEADER, AND MOST INNINGS FOR DOUBLEHEADER - 9:44 and 28 innings - Clemson, SC - 4/21/1996 - Georgia Southern Eagles vs. Clemson Tigers.

<u>LONGEST COMBINED GAME TIME FOR TRIPLEHEADER</u> – 10:20 - Lubbock, TX – 3/6/2004 – Harvard Crimson vs. Air Force Falcons, then two games vs. Texas Tech Red Raiders.

<u>MOST INNINGS FOR TRIPLEHEADER</u> – 28 innings - Salem, VA – 5/25/2003 – Georgia Tech Ramblin' Wreck vs. North Carolina Tar Heels, then vs. Florida State Seminoles, then vs. North Carolina State Wolfpack.

LATEST FINISH - 4:24 AM – South Bend, IN – 5/19/1989 – Notre Dame Fighting Irish 20 Dayton Flyers 4.

#### UNOFFICIAL NCAA DIVISION II RECORDS

<u>LONGEST GAME TIME FOR SINGLE GAME AND MOST INNINGS FOR SINGLE GAME</u> – 6:30 and 22 innings – Owensboro, KY - 4/20/1964 – Kentucky Wesleyan Panthers 8 Oakland City Mighty Oaks 7.

#### UNOFFICIAL NCAA DIVISION III RECORDS

<u>LATEST FINISH</u> - 2:28 AM – Memorial Stad, Salem, VA - 5/23/1998 – Montclair State Red Hawks 8 North Carolina Wesleyan Bishops 3 in 2:45.

#### **UNOFFICIAL NCCAA RECORDS**

<u>LATEST FINISH</u> - 7:15 AM – Chattanooga, TN – 5/3/1985 – Marion Wildcats 11 King's Purple Knights 1.

#### **UNOFFICIAL NJCAA RECORDS**

<u>LONGEST GAME TIME FOR SINGLE GAME, AND MOST INNINGS FOR SINGLE GAME</u> – 7:30 and 32 innings – Bradenton, FL - 4/4/1987 – Hillsborough Hawks 6 Manatee Lancers 4.

LONGEST RAIN DELAY – 4:00 – Memphis, TN – 3/23/1985 – Normandale Lions 3 Waubonsee Chiefs 2.

<u>LATEST FINISH</u> - 2:01 AM – Memphis, TN – 3/23/1985 – Shelby State 6 Waubonsee Chiefs 4.

#### OTHER NON-RECORD LONGEST AND SHORTEST GAMES BY STATE

#### ALABAMA

2:22 AM finish – Northcut Fld at Westgate Pk, Dothan – 3/1/2003 – NCAA - Troy State Trojans 8 Kansas State Wildcats 7 in 5:22 and 18 innings.

1:41 AM finish – Joe Davis Stad, Huntsville – 5/21/1987 – NCAA - Arkansas Razorbacks 10 Middle Tennessee Blue Raiders 7 in 3:01.

#### **CALIFORNIA**

21 innings – Prepatera Diamond, Fullerton – 4/9/1927 – NCAA at High School - Pomona College Sagehens 4 Fullerton HS Indians 3 in 3:00.

20 innings – Blair Fld, Long Beach – 3/30/1973 – NCAA - Cal State San Jose Spartans 1 Cal State Long Beach 49ers 1 in 3:35.

2:00 AM finish – Smith Fld, San Diego – 3/26/1982 – NCAA - US Internatl Gulls 6 Cal State LA Golden Eagles 4 in 2:30.

#### **FLORIDA**

20 innings – Perry Fld, Gainesville – 4/22/1972 – NCAA – Auburn Tigers 7 Florida Gators 6 in 4:35.

27-inning tripleheader – Florida Memorial Fld, Hialeah – 1/30/2004 - NCAA – Morris Brown Wolverines vs. Savannah State Tigers, then Florida Memorial Lions, then Albany State Golden Rams, UNKNOWN GAME TIMES.

7:03 elapsed time = 2:51 game + 4:12 rain delay - Lakeland - 5/17/2003 - NCAA - Tampa Spartans 10 Florida Southern Moccasins 4.

1:25~AM~finish-Osceola~County~Stad,~Kissimmee-5/7/1999-NJCAA-Palm~Beach~Panthers~24~Miami~Dade~Sharks~7~in~2:40~and~7~innings.

#### **INDIANA**

21 innings – Carson Center Fld, Evansville - 3/7/1999 – NCAA - Memphis Tigers 4 Evansville Purple Aces 4 in 5:00.

 $20 \text{ innings} - \text{South Bend} - \frac{7}{14}/1945 - \text{US Army Air Force at NCAA} - \text{Notre Dame Fighting Irish 1 Indianapolis Stout Army Air Field Airmen 0}$ .

#### **KANSAS**

20 innings, and 6:28 – Frank Myers Fld, Manhattan – 4/9/2004 – NCAA - Texas Longhorns 10 Kansas State Wildcats 6.

#### **KENTUCKY**

7:31 elapsed time = 3:00 game + 4:31 rain delay - Paducah - 5/26/2004 - NCAA - Jacksonville State Gamecocks 15 Eastern Kentucky Colonels 0.

#### **LOUISIANA**

21 innings – J.C. Love Field, Ruston – 2/16/1985 – NAIA at NCAA - Louisiana Tech Bulldogs 2 Southern Arkansas Muleriders 1 in 4:54.

#### **MASSACHUSETTS**

26 innings – Young Ladies Institute Town Lot, Pittsfield – 7/1/1859 – Inter-Collegiate Assn - Amherst Lord Jeffs 73 Williams Ephs 32 in 3:30.

24 innings – Holmes Fld, Cambridge – 5/11/1877 – International Assn at Inter-Collegiate Assn – Manchester Pros 0 Harvard Crimson 0 in 3:30.

20 innings – University Fld, Amherst – 5/13/1972 – NCAA - Connecticut Huskies 9 Massachusetts Minutemen 3 in 5:10.

#### **MINNESOTA**

4:35 AM finish – Metrodome, Minneapolis – 3/7/2004 – Dickinson State Bluehawks 9 Hamline Pipers 3 in 5 innings.

#### **MISSISSIPPI**

7:16 elapsed time = 2:42 game + 4:34 two rain delays - Cleveland - 5/13 and 5/14 and 5/15/2004 - NCAA - Southern Arkansas Muleriders 10 St. Mary's Rattlers 7, rain delay 1:30 bottom 2nd on 5/13, 2nd rain delay 3:04 bottom 2nd on 5/14.

#### **NEW YORK**

1:55 AM – College Stad (later Diethrick Pk), Jamestown – 5/25/1992 – NJCAA - Gloucester Roadrunners 14 Columbus State Cougars 8 in 4:10.

#### <u>OHIO</u>

21 innings – Miami Athletic Fld, Oxford - 5/30/1930 – NCAA - Miami Big Reds 2 Cincinnati Bearcats 1 in 3:30. 1:50 AM finish – Pioneer Pk, Marietta – 5/7/1996 – NCAA - Bethany Bison 6 Marietta Pioneers 0, then Bethany 5 Marietta 2.

#### **OREGON**

20 innings, and 27-inning doubleheader – Coleman Fld, Corvallis – 5/6/1972 – NCAA - Washington Huskies 2 Oregon State Beavers 1 in 4:38, then Oregon State 7 Washington 1 in 1:45 in 7 innings.

#### **PENNSYLVANIA**

1:20 AM finish – Veterans Stad, Philadelphia – 5/12/1998 – NCAA - Fordham Rams 3 Virginia Tech Hokies 1 in 2:30.

#### **RHODE ISLAND**

20 innings – Brown Diamond, Providence – 6/7/1924 – NCAA - Providence Friars 1 Brown Bears 0 in 4:00.

#### **SOUTH CAROLINA**

7:02 elapsed time = 2:34 game + 4:28 rain delay - Columbia - 6/12/2004 - NCAA - South Carolina Gamecocks 4 East Carolina Pirates 2.

#### **TEXAS**

20 innings, and 6:07 – Disch-Falk Fld, Austin – 5/15/1981 and 5/16/1981 - NCAA - Texas Longhorns 7 Rice Owls 6.

7:53 elapsed time = 3:30 game + 4:23 rain delay - Houston - 5/26/2001 - NCAA - Baylor Bears 11 Rice Owls 10. 3:00 AM finish - Hays Fld, Lubbock - 6/?/1983 - NAIA - Lewis-Clark Warriors 16 Lubbock Christian Chaparrals 15 in 4:30 and 14 innings.

1:05 AM finish – Olsen Fld, College Station – 5/5/1989 – NCAA - Arkansas Razorbacks 11 Texas A&M Aggies 9 in 5:57 and 16 innings.

#### **UTAH**

20 innings – Thunderbird Pk, Cedar City - 5/??/1981 – NAIA - Mesa State Mavericks 9 New Mexico Highlands Cowboys 8, UNKNOWN DATE, GAME TIME.

#### **VIRGINIA**

2:11 AM finish – Dan Daniel Pk, Danville – 4/19/2002 – NCAA - Averett Cougars 5 Greensboro Pride 0 in 2:11.

#### WEST VIRGINIA

3:15 AM finish – Watt Powell Pk, Charleston – 5/??/early 1980's – NAIA - West Virginia State Yellow Jackets over Davis & Elkins Senators.

2:52 AM finish – Princeton – 5/4/1997 – NAIA - West Virginia State Yellow Jackets 7 Shepherd Rams 6 in 3:12 and 12 innings.

#### **WISCONSIN**

2:30 AM finish – Pohlman Fld, Beloit – 4/20/1996 – NCAA - Beloit Buccaneers 9 Ripon Red Hawks 8, then Ripon 9 Beloit 7.

### Baseball Facility at Packard Stadium to Honor Dr. Jim Brock: Renowned Baseball Facility at Arizona State to be Known as Winkles Field-Packard Stadium at Brock Ballpark

Arizona State announced plans to honor the legacy of legendary and Hall of Fame head baseball coach Dr. Jim Brock. The baseball facility at Packard Stadium will be known as Winkles Field-Packard Stadium at Brock Ballpark. A special ceremony to dedicate the facility is scheduled for the 2006 Alumni Weekend in January.

The addition of Brock's name to the baseball facility at Bobby Winkles Field at Packard Stadium pays tribute to one of the best coaches in college baseball history. Brock led Arizona State to a pair of national championships in 1977 and 1981 and recorded a 1,100-440 record during his 23 years at the helm of the Sun Devils.

"The new name encompasses the three foundations of our program and we are very honored to pay tribute to a man that meant so much to Sun Devil Baseball," said current head baseball coach Pat Murphy. "Jim Brock helped perpetuate the tradition of excellence created by Bobby Winkles and deserves to have his name prominently associated with every aspect of our program."

The honoring of Brock comes in conjunction with a fundraising campaign and plans for the final phase of renovations to the baseball complex.

"We have been fortunate over the past few years to have added the best player facilities in the country," added Murphy. "Now we are shifting our focus to the fan experience and have plans to make much needed improvements to the seating and press facility. We plan to add tribute areas throughout the ballpark to recognize the special components that make Arizona State Baseball one of the greatest traditions in the country. We would also like to thank the Packard Family for their constant dedication to ASU Baseball and for helping with this process."

Brock battled cancer throughout the 1994 season and passed away just days after the College World Series that year. Brock coached a handful of Sun Devil legends, including first-round draft picks Eddie Bane, Floyd Bannister, Bob Horner, Hubie Brooks, Oddibe McDowell, Barry Bonds and Mike Kelly. All three of ASU's Golden Spikes Award winners (Horner, McDowell, Kelly) also played under Brock.

"This is such an honor for our family and to Jim and we are so thankful to be part of this wonderful event," said Patsey Brock. "Jim bled maroon and gold and there are so many memories at this stadium. It is a wonderful way to honor his great coaching record and the way he felt about Arizona State University."

He was inducted into the ABCA College Baseball Hall of Fame in 1998 and was the 1977 and 1981 NCAA Coach of the Year. Additionally, Brock was a five-time winner of the Pacific-10 Coach of the Year award (1981, 1982, 1984, 1988, 1993). Additionally, Brock earned three degrees from Arizona State, including a bachelor, master's and doctorate degrees.

"I am very thankful to the Packard Family for allowing our family to share the name on the facility," added Patsey Brock. "I also owe a lot to Pat Murphy for making all of this happen. We've had lunch several times over the years and he assured me that this was going to happen and he worked very hard to bring it to fruition."

#### Louisville's Jim Patterson Stadium Opens Friday

The University of Louisville will unveil Jim Patterson Stadium, a state-of-the-art multimillion dollar baseball facility located at the corner of Central Avenue and Third Street, on Friday, April 15th when the Cardinal baseball team plays host to East Carolina at 6:00 p.m. ET.

There will be a pregame ceremony to officially dedicate the stadium, featuring U of L graduate, former baseball team walk-on and local entrepreneur Jim Patterson, whose seven-figure donation spearheaded the drive to construct the ballpark. Dignitaries representing the University of Louisville, the athletic department and Commonwealth of Kentucky will also be featured in the ceremony. First pitch will be approximately at 6:30 p.m.

Construction began on the facility in August of 2004 and it seats 2,500 including 1,500 chair-back seats and a grass berm in left field. There is a main press box with two radio booths, a television booth and an AD suite.

The ballpark measures 330 feet down the lines, 375 to the power alleys and 402 to straightaway center, and a cutting-edge scoreboard in right field features an LED matrix scoreboard and a video screen.

The playing surface is Field Turf, like Major League Baseball's Minnesota Twins and Tampa Bay Devil Rays as well as Louisville's Papa John's Cardinal Stadium. The exterior has elements that mirror U of L's nearby football facility.

U of L now owns just the 2nd NCAA baseball facility with Field Turf on entire field with exception of mound and home plate, which will be dirt similar to Washington State's Bailey-Brayton Field.

#### **NAIA Alignments for 2005**

Following are NAIA baseball alignments for the 2005 season with conference and independents. There is one division for NAIA baseball. The NCAA Division I-II-III alignments for '05 are contained in the upcoming NCBWA Directory.

American Mideast (14)

Cedarville Geneva (Pa.) Malone

Mt. Vernon Nazarene Notre Dame (Ohio) Ohio Dominican Point Park (Pa.) Rio Grande (Ohio) Seton Hill

Seton Hill Shawnee State St. Vincent (Pa.) Tiffin (Ohio) Urbana Welsh

American Midwest (6) Hannibal-LaGrange Harris-Stowe State McKendree Missouri Baptist William Woods Williams Baptist Appalachian Athletic (11)

Alice Lloyd Bluefield Brevard Bryan King (Tenn.) Milligan Montreat

Tennessee Wesleyan Union (Ky.) Virginia Intermont Virginia-Wise

Eastern Intercollegiate (6)

Allen (S.C.) Barber-Scotia Claflin Edward Waters Morris

Voorhees

Chicagoland Collegiate (11) Calumet-St. Joseph (Ind.)

Cardinal Stritch

Illinois Tech Judson (Ill.) Olivet Nazarene Purdue North Central Robert Morris St. Francis (Ill.) St. Xavier (Ill.) Trinity Christian (Ill.) Trinity International

Dakota Athletic (8)
Dakota State (S.D.)
Dickinson State
Jamestown
Mary (N.D.)
Mayville State
Minot State
SiTanka
Valley City State

Florida Sun (8) Embry-Riddle Flagler Florida Memorial Northwood (Fla.) Savannah St. Thomas (Fla.) Warner Southern Webber

Golden State Athletic Conference (8)

Azusa Pacific Biola (Calif.) California Baptist Concordia (Calif.) Point Loma Nazarene The Masters (Calif.)

Vanguard Westmont

Great Plains Athletic Conference (13)

Briar Cliff Concordia (Neb.) Dakota Wesleyan

Dana Doane Dordt Hastings

Midland Lutheran (Neb.)

Morningside Mount Marty Nebraska Wesleyan Northwestern (Iowa) Sioux Falls

Gulf Coast (6)

Belhaven Loyola (La.) LSU-Shreveport

Mobile Spring Hill William Carey Heart of America (11)

Avila
Baker (Kan.)
Benedictine (Kan.)
Central Methodist
Culver-Stockton
Evangel
Graceland
Lindenwood

MidAmerica Nazarene Missouri Valley William Jewell

Kansas Collegiate (7) Bethany (Kan.) Friends (Kan.) Kansas Wesleyan Ottawa (Kan.) St. Mary (Kan.) Sterling Tabor

Kentucky Intercollegiate (6)

Berea

Bethel (Tenn.)

Brescia

Indiana Southeast Mid-Continent (Ky.)

Spalding

Mid-Central College (9)

Bethel (Ind.)
Goshen
Grace
Huntington
Indiana Wesleyan
Marian
Spring Arbor
St. Francis (Ind.)

Taylor (Ind.)

Midlands Collegiate (8) Bellevue (Neb.) Central Christian Newman (Kan.) Oklahoma Wesleyan

Ozarks
Park (Mo.)
Peru State
York

Mid-South (6) Campbellsville Cumberland (Ky.) Georgetown (Ky.) Lambeth Lindsey Wilson Pikeville

Midwest Classic (8) Franciscan (Iowa) Grand View Iowa Wesleyan Mount Mercy (Iowa) St. Ambrose (Iowa)

Viterbo Waldorf William Penn

Red River (12) Bacone Houston Baptist Huston-Tillotson Jarvis Christian Northwood (Texas) Paul Quinn Southwest (N.M.)

Southwestern Assemblies of God

Texas College Texas Wesleyan Texas-Permian Basin

Wiley

Sooner Athletic Conference (8)

Lubbock Christian
Northwestern Oklahoma
Oklahoma Baptist
Oklahoma City
College of Science & Arts
Southern Nazarene

Southern Nazarene St. Gregory's (Okla.) Wayland Baptist

Southern States (12) Auburn-Montgomery

Berry (Ga.) Brewton-Parker Emmanuel (Ga.) Faulkner

Georgia Southwestern

Lee (Tenn.) North Georgia Reinhardt Shorter Southern Tech

#### Southern Wesleyan

Trans-South (6) Cumberland (Tenn.) Freed-Hardeman

Lyon

Martin Methodist Trevecca Nazarene Union (Tenn.)

Wolverine-Hoosier (5) Aquinas (Mich.) Concordia (Mich.) Indiana Tech Madonna (Mich.) Siena Heights

Independents (22)

Alberta

Albertson (Idaho)
Bethany (Calif.)
British Columbia
Cal State Hayward
Concordia (Ore.)
Eastern Oregon
Fisher (Mass.)
Indiana Northwest
Kentucky Wesleyan
Lewis-Clark State
Lyndon State

Menlo Myers Northland Northwestern (Minn.)

Oregon Tech
Quincy (Ill.)
St. Joseph (Vt.)
St. Scholastica (Minn.)
Southern Virginia
Thomas (Ga.)
Western Baptist (Ore.)

#### Pawlowski Earns BASEBALL AMERICA Honor

College of Charleston baseball coach John Pawlowski has been tabbed as the nation's Top Coach according to BASEBALL AMERICA's College Baseball Midseason Report.

BA's Midseason Report is written by Will Kimmey, the publication's National College Baseball Writer. Kimmey also announced the nation's top games, players, pitchers, freshman, senior, position, surprise team and most disappointing team through the halfway point of the 2005 season. Pawlowski, who's in his sixth season as coach of the Cougars, is just eight wins shy of 200 for his career and enters tonight's game with rival Charleston Southern with a 192-126-1 (.603) record.

Charleston is 26-5 overall as of Apr. 12 and sits atop the Southern Conference standings with a 12-0 record. The Cougars finished 47-16 last season and won their first SoCon title with a 25-5 league mark. Charleston's 47 overall wins and 25 SoCon victories were the most in the league history. The Cougars are currently tied with South Carolina, Tulane and Oregon State for the fewest losses in the nation. Charleston's .839 winning percentage is tied for the third highest nationally.

#### **Veteran Coach Lance Brown Joins Texas Tech Staff**

Texas Tech Head Baseball Coach Larry Hays announced on Apr. 7 that former TCU head coach Lance Brown will join the staff immediately as the volunteer pitching coach.

"Lance is a very good friend of mine and one of the best pitching coaches around," said Hays. "We are fortunate to have him come and join our program and I really think our kids are going to gain from his experience. Lance was one of the best pitchers to ever play in the Southwest Conference and he is an even better coach."

Current volunteer assistant Brandon Roberson and director of baseball operations Bobby Sherrard will remain on the staff but will both move into new positions. The exact titles of these positions will be announced at later time once final details have been negotiated.

Brown comes to Texas Tech after spending 17 seasons at the helm of the Horned Frog baseball program where he remains the school's all-time winningest head coach with a record of 517-471. Brown played a large role in the success of TCU baseball, first as an all-America player who pitched the Horned Frogs to the 1963 Southwest Conference championship, then later as a coach. Thirty-one years after he earned the '63 Southwest Conference Player of the Year honors by posting an 11-1 record (8-1 in the SWC), he guided the Frogs to the 1994 SWC title as the head coach, making him one of only two men to win both the SWC Player and Coach of the Year honors. Brown remains tied for the school mark for pitching victories in a season and ranks third in strikeouts in a single season with 109.

When Brown took over as TCU's head baseball coach in May 1986, he inherited a program that was making its fourth coaching change in 11 years. During that same timespan, the program had only five winning seasons and its best finish in the Southwest Conference had been sixth place.

In 1994, en route to a school-record 38 wins, the Frog diamond men won their first Southwest Conference regular season title since 1972 and first outright crown since 1956. They received an NCAA Regional tournament berth for the first time since 1956, where they recorded the school's first NCAA Tournament win, a 11-3 triumph over current C-USA foe Memphis in Stillwater, Okla. Brown coached seven major league products in his stint as the Frogs head coach, including pitcher Scott Atchison, who made his major league debut as a Seattle Mariner in the 2004 season. Glenn Dishman (San Diego Padres and Detroit Tigers), Tim Mauser (San Diego Padres), Fred Benavides (Montreal Expos), Chris Eddy (Oakland Athletics), John Briscoe (Oakland Athletics) and Jeff Zimmerman (Texas Rangers) have all gone on to careers at the major league level. In 1999, Zimmerman was named to the American League All-Star team in his rookie season. Playing a key role on that year's American League Westchampion Texas Rangers, Zimmerman eventually finished third in the Rookie of the Year voting. In addition, 40 Horned Frogs were drafted by Major League organizations during Brown's stint as head coach, including five in the 2003 MLB Draft.

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