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## 2015 I.H.S.B.C.A. DATES

- First Official Practice— March 16th
- First Official Game - March 30th
- Sectional Play Starts - May 27th
- State Finals June 19th & 20th
- N/S All-Star Selection June 20th
- 2015 North/South All-Series at Indiana State University July 9th-11th
- Junior Showcase - July 9th at ISU

## 2015 IHSBCA STATE CLINIC

The 2015 IHSBCA State Clinic saw an attendance of over 500 coaches on hand to listen to presenters, discuss baseball ideas, and visit the displays presented by exhibitors and college programs from throughout the state.

The annual Hall of Fame banquet on Friday evening was well attended as the Hall of Fame welcomed five new inductees.

This years inductees included five coaches who have combined for over 2,700 wins, 45 sectional titles, 14 regional crowns, a couple sate titles and each has played an active role in the IHSBCA throughout his coaching career.

### 2015 INDUCTEES

**Chip O'Neil** - Coach - South Bend St. Joe H.S. & South Ben Clay H.S.

**Al Rabe** - Coach - Castle H.S., Boonville H.S. & Jeffersonville H.S.

**Phil Webster** - Coach - North Salem H.s., Decatur Central H.S. & North Putnam H.S.

**Bob Shinkan** - Coach - Munster Hills H.S.

**Jim Reid** - Coach - Fort Branch H.S. & Gibson Southern H.S.

Plans are already being made for next years clinic and we are always looking for suggestions for speakers. If you would like to suggest a speaker please contact Ryan Bunnell - Head Coach at Westfield H.S.

Listed in this edition you will find information for the poll panel members and dates for the polls, as well as other information from this years clinic, including an update and remarks from Executive Director Brian Abbott. You will also find contact information for the College Coaches of Indiana.

### NORTH QUAD ELECTS BOARD MEMBER

IHSBCA members in the North Quad elected Scott Upp of LaPorte H.S. as their Board of Directors member. He will assume his position at the time of the 2015 State Finals.

North Quad VP Candidates and Ballot are listed on page 6 of the newsletter.

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

If you had the opportunity to attend the state clinic this year then consider yourself to be a part of the largest clinic in recent memory (maybe ever!). 503 coaches were in attendance in Indianapolis; along with a record number of vendors, excellent speakers, and numerous college coaches. One of the highlights of the weekend was the Hall of Fame banquet where 325 people packed the main ballroom to honor our 5 newest inductees (Jim Reid, Al Rabe, Bob Shinkan, Phil Webster, and Chip O'Neil). It was an amazing weekend!

Several new ideas were on display in Indianapolis this year with our on-site district meetings (these replaced our fall meetings) that were well attended and a raffle sponsored by Zephyr Hats. Zephyr donated a set of 72 hats that can be customized and this year's inaugural winner was Brad Lightfoot of MDS Bats.

While I know I will miss some-one, I have to take a moment and thank the people who coordinate

the different aspects of our clinic and without them it could not run as smoothly as it does. Scott Hughes (clinic chair and his committee); Gary O'Neal(HOF Banquet); Ryan Bunnell (handles the speakers); Jeff McKeon (vendor chairman); Ken Seitz (registration); Shawn Lyons (college coaches); and the Executive Council. These people put in a lot of hours in advance of the clinic and deserve a kind word when you see them!  
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### Executive Director Update Continued

Moving forward let's start talking about the spring season. The pre-season poll will be out March 9 so if your team deserves some recognition contact your district rep. or your poll panel member immediately. Practice begins March 16 and games will be here before you know it. It will be a welcome relief from the snow and cold I have seen so far this winter.

All-State voting will be done online this year. More details will follow in the May newsletter, but we are currently working with a vendor who does this for other associations and finalizing the agreement. The nominations and voting will all occur through a link from the IHSBCA website and I am hopeful this will dramatically increase the number of votes received.

This is also our year to submit proposals to the IHSAA so if you have something to be considered please contact me by March 15. The timing of this process is very important.

Finally, I know through my updates in the past I have challenged you to make a difference in the lives of our young people. As coaches we spend a lot of time with open gyms, conditioning, skill development, and other physical activities. How much time do you spend with developing their character?

Some coaches will say "I am not qualified or prepared to have those discussions with my players" and I can understand the apprehension of trying to break through 'the crust' of a 17 or 18-year-old male. It is not easy; however, every time you are around them you are sharing your personal character with them by your words and actions...you are an example simply by the position you hold as a coach. You never know what will impact them down the road so be intentional every day in the message you are sending. Go out each day and make a difference!

### NORTH QUAD TO ELECT VICE-PRESIDENT

The membership of the NORTH Quad (Districts A, B, C, & D) is asked to vote to fill their representative on the Executive Council. The newly elected VP will take office at the State Finals this summer and become the IHSBCA president in 2018-19.

VP Candidates

- \_\_\_\_\_ Jeff Sandor(Lake Central)                      \_\_\_\_\_ Kevin Hannon(Knox)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Joe Turnock(Mishawaka Marian)                      \_\_\_\_\_ Dave Bischoff(New Haven)

Coaches - please submit your vote to Brian Abbott via e-mail at [babbott@ctlnet.com](mailto:babbott@ctlnet.com) or by mail to 2340 Guilford Street: Huntington, IN 46750. Deadline to cast your vote is **March 7th.**

### IHSAA/IAAA Proposals

Coaches—the IHSBCA leadership will be submitting proposals this year to the IIAAA(Athletic Director's) in November and the IHSAA in December. In years past, this process was started when proposals were submitted at the fall meetings. This year, we would like to have you submit proposals that you might have directly to Brian Abbott via e-mail at [babbott@ctlnet.com](mailto:babbott@ctlnet.com) or by mail to 2340 Guilford Street; Huntington, IN 46750. After compiling the submitted proposals, the membership will be asked for input in the May newsletter as to which proposals they feel strongest about pursuing. The IHSBCA leadership will work with the IHSAA to survey the Principal's and Athletic Director's of the state before actually presenting the proposals to the respective boards. **Deadline to submit your proposal is March 15th.**



### 2015 Crossroads Baseball Series

The 2015 Indiana Crossroads Select Series will take place on June 17th at Indiana State University. Top 2015 Juniors and Sophomores from across the State of Indiana are recommended by High School Coaches each year for this event. Six (6) teams are selected from different regions of Indiana. Selected players will showcase individually and play games in front of 50+ college coaches and scouts that attend. Crossroads players have signed to play at over 200 different colleges.

In addition, players that make an impression on the scouts at the state event are invited to represent their state at the Midwest Select Series taking place at the \$45 million dollar U.S. Steel Yard in NW Indiana on July 14th.

To recommend a player, high school coaches should go to [www.CrossroadsBaseballSeries.com](http://www.CrossroadsBaseballSeries.com) and click on the "Recommend a Player" tab.

### “Keeping Up with the Joneses”

Open House to be held for former Executive Director Bill Jones and his wife Mildred on May 23rd from 4:00-8:00 p.m. at the National Military History Museum in Auburn, IN off of I-69 North at exit #326. Contact Steve Harp with questions at 260-570-5590. No RSVP need - just a time to visit and share with Bill and Mildred.

### College Programs In Attendance

The IHSBCA would like to thank all of the college programs that were able to attend and set up a table at the State Clinic this year. It is such a great show of support for Indiana High School baseball to see the college coaches from all levels take time from their program to support the relationship they have with the coaches in our organization. Coaches, the IHSBCA would encourage you to take your staff and players and attend a college game this season. It is a great experience for your players and a great way to build relationships and to continue to show our support for the college programs in our state.

### Indiana Baseball HOF Update

The Hall of Fame had another successful year and is currently looking into expanding its venue in the near future. They are still making adjustments to their website and if you have any suggestions please contact Ray Howard. We would encourage you to view their website and to visit the hall when you get to Jasper.

[indbaseballhalloffame.org](http://indbaseballhalloffame.org)

## 2015 POLL DATES

<b>Pre-Season:</b>	<b>March 9th</b>
<b>Week #1</b>	<b>April 6th</b>
<b>Week #2</b>	<b>April 13th</b>
<b>Week #3</b>	<b>April 20th</b>
<b>Week #4</b>	<b>April 27th</b>
<b>Week #5</b>	<b>May 4th</b>
<b>Week #6</b>	<b>May 11th</b>
<b>Week #7</b>	<b>May 18th</b>
<b>Week #8</b>	<b>May 25th</b>

The voting will be done on the website and will be released at **1PM** on each of the dates listed above. Each head coach is encouraged to keep his programs schedule and results updated using the website.

Each coach is also encouraged to send info to the poll panel members listed by class on this page. You may send your info electronically or via regular mail.

### PASSWORD WILL BE NECESSARY

You must get a password if you wish to list your teams schedule and post your scores on the IHSBCA website. It will also be needed to post your scores during the season and obtain All-State/North-South nominations forms and voting ballots. The Poll Panel members will use these scores a great deal when casting their weekly ballots. This year **ALL** coaches who have paid their IHSBCA dues may obtain passwords. To get your password set up, contact Andy Keller at;

[adkeller@gmail.com](mailto:adkeller@gmail.com)

All of last years passwords were de-activated just before the State Clinic and new ones are now being given out.

**COACHES PLEASE UPDATE YOUR SCHOOL INFO ON THE WEBPAGE**

Coaches once you have a password, please help us out by updating the **Contact List** on the web page. Some schools are missing their coaches names or have incorrect contact information.

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Numerous coaches were given awards at the Friday night State Clinic awards banquet.

### VICTORY CLUB AWARDS

#### 100 WIN LEVEL

Matthew Cherry-Fishers(8)

Jeff Closser-Alexandria(8)

Erik Hisner-Whitko(8)

Jeremy Jones-Evansville North(9)

#### 200 WIN LEVEL

Phil Kluesner-Bloomington South(11)

Mark Wheeler-Orleans(14)

#### 300 WIN LEVEL

Brian Kirchoff-Northeast Dubois(21)

#### 400 WIN LEVEL

Bob Jones-Edgewood(29)

Kyle Kraemer-Terre Haute South(20)

John Nadolny-John Glenn(20)

Lea Selvey(24)

#### 500 WIN LEVEL

Steve Strayer-Crown Point(22)

#### 600 WIN LEVEL

Greg Dikos-Penn(28)

Phil Webster-Decatur Central(30)

### 2014 State Coaches of the Year

1A - Chip Sweet - Shakamak H.S.

2A - Brian Dudley - Wapahani H.S.

3A - Dave Pishkur - Andean H.S.

4A - Justin Keever - Noblesville H.S.

### 2014 IHSAA L.V. Phillips Mental Attitude

1A Brett Yeryar - Shakamak - Coach Chip Sweet

2A Collin Hoots - Wapahani - Coach Brian Dudley

3A Matthew Harpenau - Gibson Southern - Coach Chris May

4A Nathan Will - Terre Haute North - Coach Shawn Turner

### 2014 Indiana Player of the Year

Logan Sowers - McCutcheon H.S. - Coach Jake Burton

### North/South All Star Series "Don Jennings" MVP Award Winner

Tyler Houston - Outfielder - Brownsburg - Coach Eric Mattingly

### 2014 DISTRICT Coaches of the Year

District A Jeff Sandor - Lake Central

District B Randy Roberts - Washington Township

District C Greg Dikos - Penn

District D Jason Garrett - Bishop Dwenger

District E Kyle Beachy - Northwestern

District F Brian Dudley - Wapahani  
Shawn Lyons - New Palestine

District G Scott Sherry - Whiteland

District H Dave Bradshaw - Jac-Cen-Del

District I Brian Hooker - Rochester

District J Tim Bordenet - Lafayette Central Catholic

District K Rick Cosgray - Lebanon

District L Jeff Scott - Brebeuf Jesuit

District M Shawn Turner - Terre Haute North

District N Joe Decker - Silver Creek

District O Mark Wheeler - Orleans

District P Curt Welch - Castle

### Those inducted into the Hall of Fame were;

Coach - Chip O'Neil

Coach - Al Rabe

Coach - Phil Webster

Coach - Bob Shinkan

Coach - Jim Reid -

\*\*\*There are now 174 members in the Indiana Hall of Fame.

\*\*\*There are 398 coaches listed in the Victory Club in the banquet program from this years clinic.

\*\*\*Future North/South All-Star series sites are;  
2015-Indiana State University  
2016-Whiting

### PLAYER SPOTLIGHT— ADAM LIND

Adam Lind was acquired by the Milwaukee Brewers this off-season bringing him to the NL after spending parts of nine seasons with the Blue Jays who drafted him in the 3rd round in 2004. Adam is a 2002 graduate of Anderson Highland where he was All-State and a North All-Star selection as a senior. Originally drafted in 2002 by the Twins, Adam instead went to the University of South Alabama for two years where he was a 2nd team Freshman All-American and then a Sun Belt All-Star Outfielder his sophomore season. Lind made his MLB debut in September of 2006. In 9 seasons, Adam has hit 146 HR's, collected 519 RBI's and has a career average of .273. His best season was 2013 when he hit .288 with 23 HR's and 67 RBI's. Following a broken foot last season that put him on the disabled list, Adam came back to hit .321 with 40 RBI's in 96 games.



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## STATE CLINIC EXHIBITORS

Jeff McKeon(Plainfield H.S.)-chairman of exhibitors at the recent State Clinic reported that we sold every space we had available. The displays were excellent and we had a wide variety. We felt those of you who were and who were not in attendance at the clinic should be aware of those who supported Indiana High School baseball and thank them by using their baseball products.

MASA-Jasper	LIDS Team Sports	BSN Sports	Adrenaline Fundraising	Louisville Slugger
Mid-South Baseball	Baseball Academies	Fusion Sports Group	Gameday USA	Leffert Stone Inc.
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Pukka Headwear	Eli's Springback T's	Bullpen Tournaments	Marucci	FCA
Wilson Sporting Goods	Zephyr Hats			

**Social Hour sponsors**— M.A.S.A.- of Jasper, LIDS Team Sports and Mid-South Baseball

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### IHSBCA Teams Up with the American Cancer Society for Strike Out Kancer

**Help us cut cancer from the team here in Indiana!**  
**Participate in *Baseball Strikes Out Kancer* and save lives**



We have all probably experienced the effect cancer has had on our loved ones, friends and players, and are once again asking that you and your team support our efforts to raise money for the American Cancer Society. As in the past, we would like you to pick a game this spring to hold a fundraiser, preferably between April 20th and May 9th.

The American Cancer Society is passionately committed to saving lives from cancer. Their local staff is here to support you in your fundraising efforts, and to make participation in Coaches vs Cancer as easy as possible for you, by providing ideas, resources and local volunteer support that will help make your events and outreach successful. To learn more, or to request a fundraising playbook, **contact Sarah Pooler: sarah.pooler@cancer.org (810) 814-1800**

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Participating schools whose sports teams collectively raise over \$2,500 or more in each school year will be eligible for our banner recognition program. Earn an official Coaches vs. Cancer banner to display at your schools facility.



Do you currently know a family facing a cancer diagnosis?  
 Cancer support is available 24/7 at 1-800-227-2345 and at [cancer.org](http://cancer.org)

#### The American Cancer Society in Indiana

Funds raised through Baseball Strikes Out Cancer events can be mailed directly to your local ACS office. Make checks payable to American Cancer Society.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Send Info to Polling members in your class. <input type="checkbox"/> Send schedules/rosters to scouts and college coaches. <input type="checkbox"/> Check Physicals and conduct concussion testing. <input type="checkbox"/> Attend Rules Interpretation meeting	<input type="checkbox"/> List games wanted on the IHSBCA website( <a href="http://ihsbca.org">ihsbca.org</a> ) <input type="checkbox"/> Check to see if your assistants have joined the IHSBCA. <input type="checkbox"/> Get website password as all voting will take place on-line this season. <input type="checkbox"/> Play Ball-Good Luck this season!

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