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SABA TWINS GAME FUNDRAISERS

St. Anthony Village HS Wins State Consolation Championship

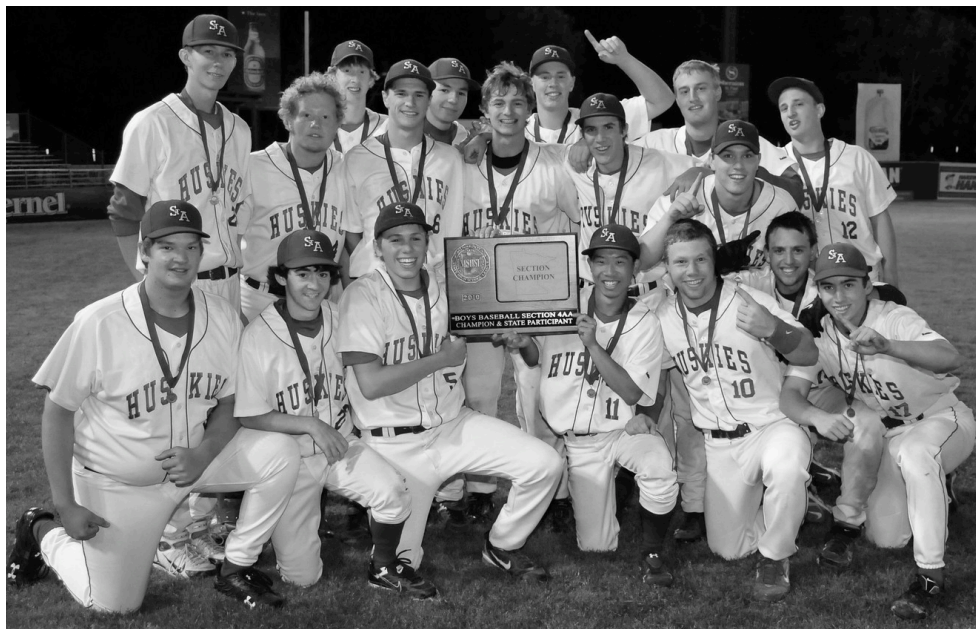
The SAVHS Huskies topped off a great season winning the 2010 Class AA Consolation Championship in St. Cloud, Minnesota.

The run to a state tournament berth was not an easy one. After losing in the semifinals to Minnehaha Academy, St. Anthony was forced into the loser's bracket and a tough match-up against conference foe DeLaSalle. In a dramatic 1-0 victory, Nicho Roessler earned the win for the Huskies and the chance to play Minnehaha once again to qualify for the state tournament.

In two of the best games all season, the Huskies defeated Minnehaha Academy in game one of the section finals eight to seven on a clutch two-run triple by Alex Jenson to take the lead. Nicho Roessler then came in to pitch the seventh and earn the save forcing a sudden-death game two section final game immediately following the first game.

To win the Section 4AA Championship, Jordan Wiggins threw an incredible eight inning complete game. Wiggins only allowed two runs on seven hits. The Huskies won the game on a walk-off double by Alex Jenson scoring Nicho Roessler with the winning run in the bottom of the eighth inning.

With the Section 4AA Championship, the Huskies won the right to play the Delano Tigers in the first round of the state tournament. In a game that could have gone either way, the Huskies lost an entertaining game 2-1. *continued on page 3*



SABA

Upcoming Events

Pitching Clinic

Begins January 16, 2011

Contact Dave Ferguson at ferguson@umn.edu for more information on this winter's pitching clinic with Hamline Coach Jason Verdugo.

SABA 2011 Twins Game Fundraiser



Our annual Twins game fundraiser has been scheduled for the 2011 season. 250 tickets have been requested to each the following games:

Sunday April 10 vs Oakland A's

Sunday May 15 vs Toronto Blue Jays

Sunday May 29 vs LA Angels

Please plan on supporting one of our biggest fundraisers by joining us for one, two, or all three games. Thanks to Target Field and the Twins popularity, last year we sold over 750 tickets and still had a Waiting List for each of the three games our group attended. Look for additional details from SABA on tickets, pricing, and seat location sometime around mid-February when the Twins release their Group Fundraising Program for 2011.

Other Dates to Remember

Cub Foods Bagging

Dec 31 2010 and Feb 6 2011

St. Olaf Baseball Clinic

January 29th 8am to 3pm
SAVHS Coaches to present as clinicians

U of M Baseball Clinic

February 12th 12-5pm at the Metrodome

High School Baseball Signups

March 7 2011

Spring Field Workday

April 9 2011

SAVHS Alumni Day & Barbeque

May 13 2011

High School Captains Practices

8pm Mondays & 8:30pm Wednesdays

What is SABA?

The St. Anthony Baseball Association was founded in 2005 with the intent to support and promote baseball in St. Anthony Village. The support and promotion includes improving facilities, providing training resources, providing instruction, and aid in funding and communication. At this time, participation in the St. Anthony Baseball Association includes teams in the Youth Sports Boosters Program (T-Ball through Traveling teams), St. Anthony Village High School teams, VFW Post #230, Tri City Blue American Legion, St. Anthony Hogs (Class A Amateur Men's Baseball), and St. Anthony Norsemen (Senior Men's Baseball).

The SABA board members are all volunteers with representation from each level of participation. The board meets quarterly at St. Anthony Village High School. Further information on SABA or any of the teams mentioned can be found at SABA's webpage: www.stanthonybaseball.org.

Please Help Update Our Directory

Former players and parents – we realize some of our contact information may need to be updated. Please mail, email (turdahl@stanthony.k12.mn.us), or call (612 706-1105) Troy Urdahl to update any contact information, or to add or remove any names from our mailing list. Thank you for your help!

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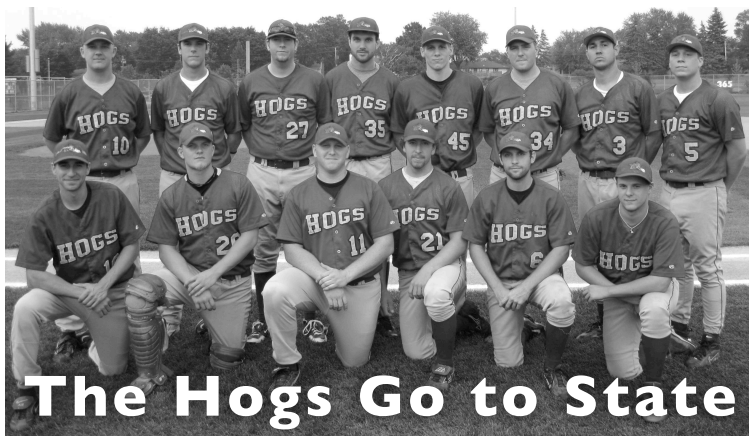
HIGH SCHOOL WINS CONSOLATION CHAMPIONSHIP

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A big rainstorm traveled through the St. Cloud area that evening postponing the Huskies second game and canceling their third.

With the change in tournament format, a win in the second game versus Cloquet would mean a Consolation Championship. Steven Wehr and Jordan Wiggins controlled the way to an 8 to 3 win on the mound while Nicho Roessler leading the offensive charge with a three-hit game.

The Consolation Championship win gave the Huskies a 23 and 6 record for the season. St. Anthony Village High School graduated Devin Ferguson, Kyle Kaminski, Steven Wehr, James Rush, and Dan Johnson but looks to have a strong 2011 season with seven starters returning to the lineup.



High School Baseball Statistics

To view the current list of records, please visit the St. Anthony Baseball Association's webpage at www.stanthonybaseball.org and click on the High School page. Records were updated December 1, 2010. St. Anthony Village has many records in the state's top-ten lists. To view complete lists of Minnesota High School Baseball records, please visit www.mshsbca.com.

Building off a successful 2009 campaign, the Hogs came into the 2010 season with increased optimism and the deepest roster in team history. This combination led to a memorable 2010 season, with the Hogs finishing with an overall record of 21-12 and advancing to their first Minnesota Class A State Amateur Baseball Tournament.

The Hogs started slowly in Skyline League play this year, and were 3-7 in the league before winning seven of their last eight league games to finish 10-8, earning the 6th seed in the Skyline playoffs. The hot streak continued in the playoffs, as the Hogs bested longtime rival Tri-City Shark two games to one in the first playoff round before sweeping White Bear Township—the Skyline League regular season champions—two games to none to advance to the State Tournament as the Skyline's 3rd tournament seed.

In game one of the State Tournament, the Hogs rode the arm of Chris Peterson to beat former Skyline League foe North End 3-2 for the opening round victory. Although the Hogs were eventually ousted from the double-elimination tournament, playing in the State Tournament was an experience that the team hopes to repeat and improve on in future years.

Continuing St. Anthony's baseball tradition, ninety percent of the Hogs' 2010 roster graduated from St. Anthony Village High School, played Legion Baseball for Tri-City Blue, or currently live in the St. Anthony area. As we eagerly look ahead to 2011, the Hogs continue to look for quality players, especially pitchers, to fortify their roster. If you are interested in joining the Hogs, please contact Mike Dunn at michael.dunn3@gmail.com.

BOOSTERS SEASON RECAP

St. Anthony Sports Boosters had another great year of baseball. We had seven in-house teams participate in the North Suburban Baseball League. The top three teams at the 3rd and 4th grade level were all from St. Anthony. The final playoff game pitted the St. Anthony All Starz against the St. Anthony Blue Sox. A tight game was won by the All Starz 3-2.

We had five 11-14U teams play traveling baseball. Four participated in the MYAS league and one played MBL. Four of these five teams played well enough in tournaments to be invited to play in year-end state tournaments.

This year we had two former St. Anthony students, Mark and Dan Halstensgard step up to coach one of our 13U traveling teams. Both attended and played baseball at Northwestern College. Dan graduated this past year and Mark is now a junior. A new program was introduced this past year by the Twins Community Fund to distribute grant money to get high school and college students interested in coaching baseball while supplying them with a summer job. The Boosters applied and were awarded the grant request. Mark and Dan were the happy recipients. Go Twins! Thanks, Mark and Dan.

We are looking forward to the upcoming year!

Photos

Top: St Anthony in-house 3rd/4th grade All Starz

Middle: St. Anthony in-house 11U

Bottom: St. Anthony traveling 13U AAA



Post #230 VFW Season Recap

The 2010 St. Anthony VFW squad was very young and went through many growing pains in the first half of the summer season. After starting the season 3-9, Post #230 rallied to finish the season by winning 14 of their last 19 games and finish with a 17-14 overall record.

Post #230 only returned two starters from its 35-5 2009 team that finished 4th in the State Tournament. The 2010 version improved greatly over the summer and started clicking at the right time. They won 10 of 11 games heading into the post-season. The young VFW squad upset top ranked Maple Grove in round one of the finals before stumbling in the semi-finals and finishing 4th of 27 teams in District 7.

Tri-City Blue Season Recap

The Tri-City Blue American Legion team wrapped up another successful season in 2010 finishing with a record of 9-13. Tri-City consists of 16 to 19 year old players from St. Anthony or Columbia Heights. This year's team featured 15 players from St. Anthony and two from Columbia Heights. The team plays a very competitive schedule against some of the biggest high schools in the state.

Highlights from the season included a weekend trip to Duluth to compete in the Lakeview classic and also participating in the Stars and Stripes classic in Delano over the 4th of July.

Unfortunately, the season ended with 4-2 and 7-6 losses to eventual state tournament representative, Maple Grove. Tri-City looks forward to another strong season in 2011 as 14 of the 17 players from the 2010 team are eligible to return.

Norsemen Season Recap

The Norsemen's 2010 season was their best since joining the Federal League in 2007. The Norse won a club-record 11 regular season games, and ended the season one game shy of the 500 mark. In the playoffs, the Norsemen caught and took second place in the Federal League's double-elimination championship tournament. The hardware is housed in a shrine at team headquarters, the Village Pub.

The Norsemen pitching staff was anchored in 2010 by starters Steve 'Goose' Jahnke and lefty Chris Nogosek, while perennial workhorse Steve Peterson recovered from a shoulder injury. Jahnke continued to baffle opposing hitters with his 'round the bend curve ball, while the southpaw used his typical repertoire of smoke-and-mirrors to keep batters off balance.

Norsemen offense got a boost with the return of Tony Carpenter to the lineup, and the addition of rookie sensation Ken Fry at the hot corner. Both had strong seasons at the plate, and added much needed speed on the bases.

As winter bears down on Palm Field, the Norsemen look forward to early May and the start of the 2011 season.

PALM FIELD GETS A FACELIFT

Over the past year, Palm Field has undergone some major upgrades including field lighting, a rightfield spectator deck, and stadium seating behind homeplate. Also included in the project list was lighting for Central Park Field C3 (used for JV and youth baseball, soccer, and football), and stadium seating for the varsity softball field.

Major funding came from the Hennepin County Youth Sports Program. Included in the Twin's stadium bill was a provision to include grant monies for youth sports facility improvements to local governmental units of Hennepin County. St. Anthony – New Brighton Schools received a \$345,000 grant supplemented by matching contributions totaling \$40,000. Significant public donors to meet this required matching amount included the St. Anthony Sports Boosters, St. Anthony Baseball Association, Huskies Dugout Club (high school baseball), and the Huskies Diamond Club (high school softball).

A ribbon cutting ceremony was held on May 17th to celebrate the field renovations and improvements. The event was highlighted by a helicopter delivering balls for the ceremonial first pitches thrown by City of St. Anthony Mayor Jerry Faust, ISD #282 Board Chair Barry Kinsey, and Hennepin County Commissioners Mark Stenglein and Peter McLaughlin.

To view photos of the ribbon cutting ceremony and field improvements, please visit the Field Information section at www.stanthonybaseball.org



PALM FIELD NAMED FIELD OF THE YEAR

Palm Field received a great honor in 2010 being named Field of the Year by the Minnesota Sports Turf Managers Association. Congratulations to the players, coaches, parents, and SABA members for maintaining such a great field. A special recognition and thanks to the City of St. Anthony and St. Anthony – New Brighton maintenance crews. School District employees Jon Hummel and Mike Johnson exert incredible care to maintain a first-class field in St. Anthony.



Concessions Update



The 2010 baseball season at the St. Anthony concession stand was a huge success. With the help of the Dugout Club and the Diamond Club we were open at almost every home High School baseball and softball games.

During the summer season we were open almost every Monday through Thursday when the fields in Central Park had multiple activities. Some new food option and increased hours of operation were proven keys to success.

The profits from the season will go toward some new concession stand equipment and saved for future field improvements and community activities.

Come spring all baseball groups will again be looking for volunteers to staff the concession stand. If you have never worked at the stand before, please consider taking a shift or two. It is a great way to meet people in the community while supporting a wonderful baseball program. Feel free to email Amy Kraus at aimdoll14@hotmail.com if you would like to volunteer your time.

Come check out the stand next season and see what new additions we have added to it. See you all in the spring!

Your happy hostesses,
Jessica & Amy

Shop Online with SABA

Show your support for SABA while you save money and earn cash back!

The St. Anthony Baseball Association is participating in an exciting new fundraising program. The group now has its own website featuring thousands of partner stores like Walmart, Sears, Best Buy, Apple, The Home Depot and many more. When you make a purchase on www.marketamerica.com/saba, the St. Anthony Baseball Association receives royalties and you earn up to 35% cash back on qualified purchases.

The benefits don't stop there. You earn 0.5% cash back on the purchases of everyone you refer to our website. Now, you can take advantage of the ease and convenience of Internet shopping to buy the products and services you want, while feeling good about helping one of your favorite organizations.

Our new fundraising website has a variety of benefits.

Check out the Hot Deals page to get access to coupons and exclusive deals to help you save even more.

Go to the Partner Stores page to find specific stores that you'd like to shop from.

Use the Search feature at the top of the page to search over 35 million different products and services for things you're looking for.

Discover unique products and services like GENE SNP™ DNA Analysis, Isotonix® line of high quality nutritional supplements, Cellular Laboratories® luxurious skin care line, Transitions™ Life Style System for weight management, Motives cosmetics and many more. Find the perfect gift in our Gift Ideas area.

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- You are now eligible to earn up to 35% on qualified purchases
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- Use the search box at the top of the screen to find a specific item or type of product you're looking for
- Use Shop Partners to find a specific partner like Target or Walmart
- Use "Shop All Departments" to shop via category
- Use Hot Deals to find special deals and coupons to save even more money
- Look for the icon to find out exactly how much cash back you'll earn from purchases made from that store or on a particular product



Alumni News

St. Anthony Alumni Playing College Baseball

Devin Ferguson
Freshman IF
St. Olaf College (Northfield, MN)

Steven Wehr
Freshman RHP
Southwest MN State University
(Marshall, MN)

Jarron Farah
Sophomore Pitcher
Augsburg College (Mpls, MN)
Jarron appeared in 16 games all in relief, and had a record of no wins and no losses. He logged a total of 18 innings, and recorded 10 strikeouts.

Chris Peterson
Sophomore Pitcher
Concordia College (St. Paul, MN)
Chris finished the year with 3 wins and 2 losses. Of his 11 appearances, he started 8 games and tallied 3 complete games. He threw a total of 46 innings and logged 33 strikeouts while holding his opponents batting average to just .254.

Dan Zurbey
Sophomore 3B
Hamline University (St. Paul, MN)

In limited action, Dan appeared in 8 games and had 7 at-bats with 2 walks.

Dan Halstensgard
Senior Catcher/1B/DH
Northwestern College
(Roseville, MN)

Dan completed his senior season batting .338 with 45 hits, 27 RBI, and a .982 fielding percentage. In addition to being named All-Conference Honorable Mention, Dan completed his college career tied for 7th in hits with 124, and 5th in RBI with 78 on Northwestern's All-Time leader board.

Chad Peterson
Junior SS
College of St. Scholastica
(Duluth, MN)

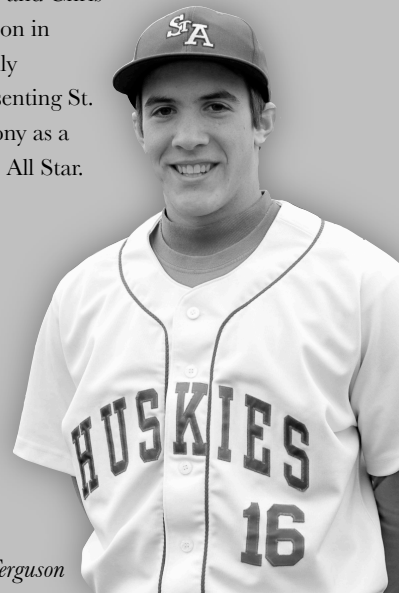
Chad was named All-Conference Honorable Mention after batting .303 with 3 doubles, 3 triples, 3 homeruns, and 31 RBI. One of his homeruns was a grand slam in a game at Wade Stadium in Duluth that also included a career-high 6 RBI.

Joe Stark
Senior DH/1B
UW Superior (Superior, WI)

Joe appeared in 17 games while starting 6 times. He had 4 hits, 2 doubles, 4 walks, and a .977 fielding percentage.

Ferguson Plays in Lion's All-Star Tournament

SAVHS Class of 2010 graduate Devin Ferguson played in the 35th annual Lion's All-Star Baseball Tournament held on June 25th and 26th at Athletic Park in Chaska, Minnesota. This tournament brings together 80 players from across the state to play in a four team round robin contest showcasing Minnesota baseball talent for college coaches, pro-scouts, and avid baseball fans from across the state. The players are drafted onto four teams representing high school programs from the Metro East, Metro West, North, and South regions of the state. Devin was selected to play on the Metro West team as a middle infielder and played second base in games one and two against the North and South. He was assigned the role of designated hitter in pivotal game three in which the West defeated the East to claim the tournament title. Devin hit .429 on the tournament and scored a key run in the championship game on spectacular play at home plate. Devin joins St. Anthony Alumni Mark Hess, Chad Peterson, Tim Duffy, and Chris Peterson in proudly representing St. Anthony as a Lion's All Star.



Devin Ferguson





Kaczrowski Promoted to AA Mobile BayBears

St. Anthony Village High School class of 2005 graduate Dan Kaczrowski (*above*) finished a strong second year of professional baseball playing with the BayBears of Mobile, Alabama. After playing the first half of the season for the Visalia Rawhide, Kaczrowski was promoted to the AA affiliate of the Arizona

Diamondbacks. Kaczrowski's play was focused at shortstop and second base for Mobile, where he enjoyed the completion of a strong season and playoff appearance. On the year, Kaczrowski batted .266 in 119 games, hitting 19 doubles, three homeruns, and stealing 15 bases.

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