

IOWA BASEBALL

CAMP FOR THE DEAF



2016

DIRECTOR'S LETTER

Hello friends,

Welcome to Deaf Night at Principal Park, home of the Iowa Cubs! We are pleased to have you celebrate our second annual **Iowa Baseball Camp for the Deaf (IBCD)**, a half-day, week-long baseball camp for deaf and hard of hearing children from the Midwest, ages 7-14, sponsored by Sertoma Club of Des Moines, the Iowa Cubs, and various supporters from all over North America.

Last year's camp was a massive success, as the camp had 21 campers, but this year we have increased to 26 campers, which exceeded our expectations. This wouldn't have been possible if it wasn't for the connections that I developed as a former camper at the Fantasy Baseball Camp run by Sertoma from 1999-2010. The influence on me was so life-changing, and I wanted to "play it forward" to the deaf and hard of hearing community.

The impact of the camp is widespread and we are ecstatic that you get to share tonight as we watch our campers sign the National Anthem on the field prior to the game; also, be sure to catch their performance of "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" during the seventh-inning stretch.

As you enjoy this display, please bear in mind that not all children experience the "crack of the bat" as some do. Mainstream sports sometime do not accommodate the specific needs of a child who is deaf or hard of hearing. At **IBCD**, each camper is assured a safe, learning environment and will be taught the fundamentals of baseball through demonstration and sign language interpretations. **IBCD** arranges for professional coaching and provides full uniforms for a complete camp experience. The Iowa Cubs game is the camp week highlight for many campers and their families.

Once again, our camp is being held at Johnston Little League Park and we thank them for their generous gift for the use of the park. Professional coaches, collegiate players, interpreters, and community volunteers work together with Sertoma and the Iowa Cubs to give us the support needed to allow our campers to develop during the week.

Please join us in thanking the volunteers who have given their time and expertise to provide our campers with a solid knowledge of baseball skills, etiquette and inspiring love of the game! This winning combination provides the campers with exemplary role models.

With a focus on hearing safety and education, the Des Moines Sertoma Club has paved the way for the success of **IBCD**. Please share this booklet with anyone that could benefit from participation with the camp or has an interest in joining Sertoma.

Thank you!!

Dylan Heuer
Camp Director

CAMP VOLUNTEERS

Camp Director
Camp Coordinator
Deaf Community Liaison
Interpreters Coordinator

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Coaching Staff

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Dylan Nulph
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Community Volunteers

Michelle Channon
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Julie Ehasz
Katy Faircloth
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Grant Heuer
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Interpreters

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Ellen Hayes
Ann Hively

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Jeff Reese
Adam Stempin
Deb Toomey
Maranda Turner



HIGHLIGHTS



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CAMP ROSTER



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1ST ROW: Joshua Baldwin, Aidan Carter, Noah Fink, R.J. Channon, Aliya Kluck, Isaac Cutwright

2ND ROW: Lani Dirks, Cheyenne Lynch-Dobbins, Brian Martinez-Ramirez, Nathan, Sembetu Dalay, Caleb Glodt

3RD ROW: Elyssia Win, Joshua Janni, Evan Routh, Bo Gerbracht, Bryan Lopez, Jebb McElroy

4TH ROW: Siul Lopez, Sophia Cronk, Aden McCullogh, Lucas Johnston, Jerry Johnson

5TH ROW: Elliot Grimard, Eddie Hamann, Madison McAninch

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My wife, Toni, was on the phone with a friend and she said the Sertoma Club is thinking of starting a baseball camp for deaf and hard of hearing children. The friend knew that Dylan, our grandson was deaf. Toni said, “Grant would be interested in that.” This was in November 1998. The friend’s husband called me fifteen minutes later to invite me to a Sertoma lunch. I joined the Sertoma Club and was on the committee to organize and raise funds for the baseball camp, which started in the summer of 1999. Dylan was a member of that first camp. He was ten years old.

Grant Heuer
Dylan’s grandpa

The organizers of the Iowa Baseball Camp for the Deaf want to thank Sertoma Club of Des Moines for their continuing support of the camp.

Sertoma Club’s mission is:

**To improve the quality of life today for those at risk
or impacted by hearing loss through education and support.**

To learn more about Sertoma
and joining this fine organization,
please visit Sertoma.org.



TWO-MILE WALK

Clive, IA • September 17 • 9:00 AM

The Iowa Baseball Camp for the Deaf is proud to announce the first annual IBCD Two-Mile Walk in association with Sertoma Club of Des Moines. After the walk, enjoy a pick-up game of wiffleball and picnic lunch (bring your own food and drinks) at Campbell Recreation Area.



Date Saturday, September 17th, 2016
Time 9:00 AM
Place Campbell Recreation Area Shelter
 12385 Woodlands Parkway
 Clive, Iowa 50325
Course Clive Greenbelt Trail, out-and-back
Register Mail in the entry form below by Sept. 10th
Cost \$10 without shirt
 \$20 with shirt
 Donations also accepted!



All proceeds go to the baseball camp

For more info, please visit www.iowadcafbascball.com

Mail To: Sertoma Club PO Box 8418 Des Moines, IA 50301	Name _____ Address _____ E-Mail _____	Age _____ Phone _____	
Checks Payable to: Sertoma Club of Des Moines		T-Shirt Sizes: YM YL S M L XL 2XL	
<i>Please put IBCD on memo line</i>		<i>\$10 without shirt • \$20 with shirt (please circle size)</i>	
<p>In consideration of your acceptance of this entry, I herby fore myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators waive any and all rights and acclaims for damages I have against Sertoma, IBCD, and any invidious associated with this event, their agents, representatives, sponsors and the City of Clive, for all and any injures to me in this event. I attest and verify I have full knowledge of the risks involved in this event and that I am physically fit and in good health to participate. By signing this form I hold no parties liable for my participation in this event and do so under my own risk. I also give permission to use my name and picture in any publicity matters.</p>			
Signature _____ If Under 18 Parent or Guardian _____			

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