



2007 NAFA World Series August 16-26 West Des Moines and Des Moines

Day Two - Friday August 17

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Welcome to Day Two of the 2007 NAFA World Series.

Competition in Class A-Major marked the start of the 2007 NAFA World Series.

16 teams moved forward and stayed undefeated after Thursday's game.

After Friday's games in Class A-Major, only four teams will remain undefeated while five teams will be eliminated as the tournament moves toward crowning it's 2007 Champion on Sunday.

This afternoon, Class AA begins play at Racoon River Park.

With the addition of Class AA-Major to the NAFA World Series, this year's 20-team Class AA tournament looks to be one of the most competitive of any class in recent memory.

Five of the top seven teams in last year's Class A-Major event in Appleton have traveled here to play in Class AA.

Cerro Gordo/RWP (Dawson, Minn), last year's Class A-Major Champions, and Village Inn (Hudson, Wisc), last year's A-Major Runner-Up, highlight the field.

Play in Class AA will continue through Monday when it's 2007 Champion is crowned.

This evening also marks the induction of Bill Huss and Todd Malnory into The Eagle Club, NAFA's Hall of Fame.

Huss and Malnory are among members of the fifth induction class into The Eagle Club.

1999 marked the inaugural class of Eagle Club inductees with 8 people going in.

2000, 2002, 2003 and 2006 are the previous years NAFA recognized the greats in the history of it's organization.

Huss and Malnory join a short list of players in The Eagle Club as only three players have been previously inducted.cog

Over the coming years, NAFA's Executive Committee will be expanding it's Eagle Club membership in an effort to recognize those who have served NAFA as players, coaches, umpires, administrators and sponsors in an extraordinary manner.

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Huss, Malnory Enter Eagle Club

Today, a pair of Wisconsin players enter The Eagle Club, NAFA's Hall of Fame.

Bill Huss and Todd Malnory were teammates on the Denmark Dukes of Denmark, Wisconsin during that teams four appearances in the NAFA Class AAA World Series.

Those appearances culminated with championships in 1997 and 2000 (both events were held in Fargo, North Dakota).

Huss was named First Team All World in 2000 at first base while also catching for the Dukes during one of the most impressive runs in NAFA history.

One of the most decorated players in NAFA history, Malnory has been First Team All World four times and was also named the AAA Most Valuable Player in 1997 and 2000.

Malnory's other First Team All World honors came with Circle Tap in 2001 (Hutchinson, Kan) and last year (Kimberly, Wisc) for the Open level of play, once again with Circle Tap.

2000 saw Malnory post one of the most impressive World Series' in the history of NAFA when he hit .600 with 13 RBI, seven runs scored and hit four home runs in helping lead the Dukes to their second World Title.

Did You Know?

That only four teams have won multiple NAFA World Titles? They are:

Denmark Dukes (Denmark, Wisc), 1997 and 2000 AAA

Fine Line Painting (Victoria, BC), 1998 and 2001 AAA

Kegel Black Knights (Fargo, ND), 2000 A and 2003 Open

Team Lyons (Fresno, Cal), 1999 AA and 2003 AAA

Following the Locals

Class AA-Starts today

RR=Racoon River Park

DM=Des Moines Softball Complex

Winterset A's (Winterset), 0-0

vs Scarletts Sox (SD) 7pm, RR #1

Class AA-Major-Starts Saturday

Reasnor RPMs (Monroe), 0-0

vs Wilkomm Mobil (Wisc) 9:45am, RR #2

Palazzo's Java House (Des Moines), 0-0

-vs Blackhawk AC (Ill) 9:45am, RR #3

2007 NAFA Events

Wood Bat World Series

Sept. 1-3, Longmont, Colorado

Masters Eastern Zone Championships

September 8 and 9, Rockford, Illinois

35-, 40-, 45- and 50-and-Over Divisions

Masters Eastern Zone Championships

September 15 and 16, Carson City, Nevada

35-, 40-, 45- and 50-and-Over Divisions

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