

# HUSKY DUGOUT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Alumni Weekend, Another Success!



## OCTOBER BRINGS AN END TO FALL BALL.

As the temperature cools off and the leaves change colors this brings an end to another successful fall ball season at St. Cloud State. This also means that the Red White World Series has wrapped up. The Series is a best of seven games series. The Huskies are divided up into two equal teams with assistant coaches coaching each team. The Red Team won this fall series in six games. A three pitcher, no hitter was thrown to clinch game six. The White team will have to enjoy their fair share of beans and franks for dropping the series, as Team Red will enjoy a steak dinner.



**Captain Joey Benke**

Quick Fact: Joey has never been on the winning World Series team in his five years at St. Cloud. "I've grown to love the beans and franks, I guess!"

Come join our Dugout Club if you are not already a member!

[www.stcloudstate.edu/athletics/support/dugout.asp](http://www.stcloudstate.edu/athletics/support/dugout.asp)

# October 2011

SAVE THE WEEKEND DAYS

SCSU Baseball fans and supporters, please save the date of February 3, 2012 on your calendar for the annual St. Cloud State Baseball First Pitch Banquet.

This annual event will take place at the Coyote Moon Banquet Center, which is on the Territory Golf Course in St. Cloud. The social hour will begin at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the evening's program will start at 7:15 p.m.

Coach Pat Dolan will offer a complete look at the upcoming 2012 season at the banquet, and the event will also include a keynote speaker (details will be announced soon). The evening will also include the always popular auction and prizes. The cost is \$50 per person.

For complete information or to purchase your tickets, please call the SCSU Baseball Office at 320-308-3541 or 320-333-3336. You can also e-mail Coach Dolan at [pldolan@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:pldolan@stcloudstate.edu) for more details.

The weekend will continue with the inaugural SCSU Baseball Grand Slam on Grand Lake Ice Fishing Tournament on Feb. 4 (weather and ice conditions permitting). This ice fishing contest will take place on Grand Lake in nearby Rockville, Minn. More details on this exciting and fun-filled event will be coming soon!

To round out the busy SCSU baseball weekend, the Huskies will open their 2012 season on Feb. 4 with an 7p.m. doubleheader at the Metrodome in Minneapolis against Judson University (an NAIA powerhouse, that were 42-21 laster year, out of Elgin, Ill.).

For complete information or to purchase your tickets, please call the SCSU Baseball Office at 320-308-354. You can also e-mail Coach Harwerth at [hami0802@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:hami0802@stcloudstate.edu) for more details.



#### FIRST PITCH BANQUET

FEBURARY 3RD  
AT 5:30PM  
COYOTE MOON  
BANQUET CENTER

#### GRAND SLAM ON GRAND LAKE ICE FISHING TOURNAMENT

FEBURARY 4TH  
GRAND LAKE NEAR  
ROCKVILLE, MN

#### 2012 SEASON OPENER

Feburary 4th at  
7:00PM  
Double Header in  
the Medtrodome  
against Judson  
University

## Metrodome Schedule Is Up

St. Cloud, Minn. - Head Coach Pat Dolan and the 2011 St. Cloud State University baseball squad has announced the release of its 2012 Mall of America Metrodome schedule. After a year off not playing in the MOA Metrodome due to the dome's collapse the team will be back for 13 games under the Dome.

"We are very fortunate to again get a great set of games in the Metrodome. We've played over 50 games in the dome over the previous three years before the unfortunate collapse. Being on the road to Arkansas, Oklahoma, Indiana and Illinois was fun, but I think we are all glad it was only for one year. It will be nice to get back playing games in Minnesota! The Metrodome is kind of our home away from home," said Dolan.

"It really helps give us a jump start, as we know we'll be

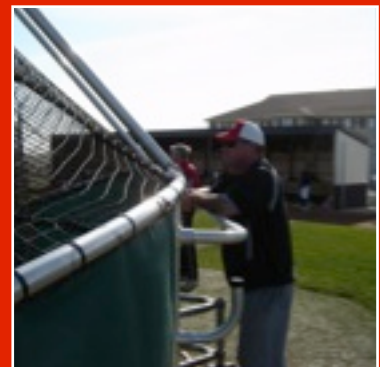
getting games in. Our dome schedule starts on February 4th, and it will keep us busy throughout March before we begin NSIC action."

The season opener will match up the Huskies vs. Judson University, who were 42-21 last year and 21-8 in the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference and advanced to the NCCAA World Series. This will be one of the first games played in the entire country.

The Huskies then take on NSIC foes, the University of Mary in a three game set, and Minot State University and Augustana College in doubleheaders. Sandwiched between these games on the last weekend of February is a four game set with St. Joseph's College, who was 22-25 last season.



## HUSKIES



February 4 - 7:00 PM – 11:30 PM - St. Cloud State – Judson University  
February 11 - 8:00 PM – 12:30 AM- St. Cloud State University– University of Mary  
February 12 - 3:00 PM – 7:30 PM - U. Mary – St. Cloud State (one 9 inning game)  
February 17 - 10:00 AM – 2:30 PM - St. Cloud State – Minot State  
February 25 - 7:00 AM – 11:30 AM - St. Cloud State – St. Joseph's  
Feb. 26- 6:00 AM – 10:30 PM St. Joseph's - St. Cloud State  
March 19 - 5:00 PM – 9:30 PM - St. Cloud State – Augustana College

For the entire Husky Baseball schedule goto: [www.stcloudstate.edu/athletics/sports/baseball/schedule.asp](http://www.stcloudstate.edu/athletics/sports/baseball/schedule.asp)



Kyle Lieser, Albany



Garrett Anderson, Blue Earth

"Yes it is early, but we are all about playing games," Dolan said. "Players want to play and this helps split up the time practicing in our own Husky Dome. We treat our early season games somewhat like MLB spring training games where pitchers will be throwing 1-2 innings each.

"Our series' with U of Mary and Minot State are great in that they are NSIC teams we don't get to play in conference play and we always have great battles with Augie. Augustana is well coached and fun to play against. We don't know much about St. Joe's, but it's always nice to play some new opponents."



All of these games will help the Huskies prepare for a full slate of 2012 games in the highly respected Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference. The Huskies will again play four game sets vs. the four of the other top five finishers (SCSU was runner-up in the NSIC regular season and won the NSIC Tournament) in the NSIC.

"It really helps our strength of schedule, when it comes to regional rankings, to be matched up in four games sets vs. teams like Winona, Mankato, Augie and Wayne. We take it as a challenge...and to be one of the best you have to play the best," Dolan noted.

Travis Cariveau, Sauk Rapids



Garret Harrison, Champlin



Ryan Diers, Belle Plaine

# COACH PICHA



A special thanks goes out to Coach Ken Picha! The Huskies would not be where they are today without all the hard work and dedication that you put in.

## Thanks Coach Picha

Longtime Central Minnesota prep baseball skipper Ken Picha leaves the St. Cloud State University baseball staff as an assistant coach after the 2010-11 season. Picha served as the head varsity baseball coach at nearby Melrose High School for 29 years (1979-2007) and compiled an impressive 427-181 career record. He ranks eighth on the all-time win list among Minnesota high school baseball coaches, and his .702 career winning percentage ranks sixth among Minnesota high school coaches who have a minimum of 350 wins.

In 29 years at Melrose, Picha never had a losing season. His teams won 11 conference titles, seven district championships and his squads advanced to four state tournaments. His 1997 and

1998 teams finished second in the state baseball tournaments.

Picha was voted the MSHSL Class AA Coach of the Year in 1998, and he received the Dick Siebert award in 2004.

Ken Picha was inducted into the Minnesota State High School Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2007.

"It was truly a special evening for Ken and his family," said SCSU head baseball coach Pat Dolan. "We are so proud of him and all of his accomplishments and we are very fortunate to have him as part of our Husky baseball family," Coach Dolan.



## BASEBALL: HUSKIES EARN TOP 20 PRESEASON RANKING

The St. Cloud State University baseball team has already gained some recognition in the 2012 Division II preseason national polls. The Huskies were ranked 17th in the DII preseason poll released by collegebaseballlineup.com - a nationally based website that covers the world of college baseball.

"This type of recognition for our program is always nice to receive," SCSU coach Pat Dolan said. "We should have a very competitive club once again in 2012, but we have to keep things in perspective and execute on the field. The rankings are nice but you have

to make the plays to win the games."

To check out the complete poll, please click on the link listed below:

[http://www.collegebaseballlineup.com/rankings/dii\\_top30.php](http://www.collegebaseballlineup.com/rankings/dii_top30.php)

SCSU for the third straight year set the all-time victory total with a 43-11 record and also captured the NSIC tournament championship after finishing runner-ups in the rugged NSIC regular season. The Huskies also hosted their first ever NCAA regional tournament winning game one vs Augustana before losing two heartbreaking games to close one of their best ever seasons in 2011.



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# Missing Alumni Info















We are missing some of our Alumni Information. If you know how we can contact them could you please get back to me at [hami0802@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:hami0802@stcloudstate.edu)



(Address, Email, or Phone)

CST's mean you helped us find our Missing Alumni's info.

Bob Altuvilla 1991	Bill Anderson 1985	Roger Anderson 1971	Ron Anderson 1967	Matt Anthony 1989
Jake Asher 2003	Neil Athmann 2000	Bruce Atkinson 1970	Dennis Backes	Bill Banke 1956
Chad Bartlett 1988	Donald Bauer 1971	Mark Belz 1991	Greg Bemboom 1991	Don Benson 1965
Brad Van Bergen 1987	Dennis Bergner 1957	Neal Berthe 1960	Zach Bertschi 2003	Matt Beyer 2002
Troy Bjoetklund 1996	Mul Bolduc 1960	Brain Boll 1996	Jerome Boog 1966	Luis Borges 1989
Craig Breitkreutz 1990	Dean Brinkman 1984	George Bryan 1966	George Bryan 1966	Paul Buboltz 2003
Scott Buege	Jim Buege 1968	Peter Burkstrand 2002	Car Burlton 1989	
Paul Burt 1977	Al Burtman	Carl Burton 1985	Darrell Bushard 1973	Matt Butala 1986
Dale Caemisheal 1961	Keith Carlson 1983	David Carlson 2005	William Carlson	
Donald Carruth 1967	Chad Griffin 1973	Steve Christianson 1996	Mike Cich 1988	Josh Coe
Bob Coons 1966	Dave Craft 1981	Craig Wilson 1971	Jim Crowley 1998	Gary Cummings 1960
Noah Czech	Dave Dahl 2003	Joe Delarco 2001	Jeff Demarco 2003	Joe Delarco 2001
Jeff Demarco 2003	John Dill 1971		Mark Didmann 2002	Ben Dirkes 1996
Bert Dold 1969	Roger Duininck 1960	Linus Dumont 1977	Hunter Duncar 1994	Dustin Fenwick 2004
Kevin Eckmann 1993	Pat Egan 2003	Pat Egan 2003	Chuck Engel 1978	Dave Engesser 1987
Brain Von Eschen 1988	John Evanish 1961		Michael Fair	Jim Ferguson 1982
Pete Fineelli 1956		Mike Flanigan 1988	Craig Flippen 2002	Brad Fobbe 1995
Greg Fobbe 1986	Gary Frericks 1978	Mike Freske 1996	Stephen Fuchs 1971	Jerome Gallagher 1971
Wyatt Garnett 2000		Vernon Gaughan	Tim Gillson	
Gordon Schmidt 1972	Bob Graden 1978	Andy Graf 2005	Theodore Grams 1970	Shawn Grande 1988
Bobby Gregoire 2005	Andy Gretz 2002	Chris Griffin		Darrin Haala 2005
Jim Haben 1956	Josh Hadley 2005	Roger Hagstrom 1956	Kevin Haire	Bob Hakes 1978

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Troy Halford 1985	Mike Hammer 1989	Luke Hanegraaf 1988		Cory Hanson 1992
Clifford Hanson	Dave Hartung 1980	Chris Hedlund 1991	Wade Hefter 1992	
	Dan Hennen 1981	Mark Herves	Geoff Hibison 1979	Bob Higgins
Robert Hoekstra 1968		Robert Hokkanen 1970		Andy Houle 1996
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Nathan Jacobson 2001	Jay Jahnke 1997	Don James 1971	Joe Jarvis 1989	
	Steve Johnson 1984	Greg Johnson 1974	Kyle Johnson 2005	Chris Jurek 1997
Theran Kahl 2002		Tyan Kapsner 2005	Shane Kavanagh 1999	Robert Kelly 1971
	Dan Kinney 1989	Mark Kleinschmidt 1985	Steve Knapp 1976	Konor Knudsen 2002
Scott Kragh 1997	Chris Kratochvill 2002	Dick Kuzel	Robert Lacroix 1968	Greg Laplante 1996
Darrell Larison 1956	Nathan Larson 2005	Steve Lauber 1984	John LeGare 1982	Doug Lemke 1978
Mark Lemme 1982	Herb Libbsmeier 1961	Jeremy Liebherr 2005	Eric Lindstrom 1989	Matt Lisbeth 2001
Reggie Litke 2002	Jim Lohmann 1975	Kevin Macdonald 2005	William Makinen 1965	Dan Marshall 1976
Matt McDonough 1996	John McFarland 1972	Mark McGuire 2005		Kevin Meier 1995
Cory Mergan 2000	Todd Mettler 1975	Nick Miller 2003	Eugene Mills	
Jay Ness 1976	Dave Neubauer 1980	Tom Newman 2002	Kasey Niemuth 2003	Matt Oelschlager 1998
Bob Olson		Gregg Pederson 1981	Blayne Penney 2004	John Peppel 1974
Aaron Perkovich 1996	Jack Peterson 1968	Travis Peterson 2003		Adron Pitmon 1971
Prian Poepping 1986	Tom Popp 1997	Chad Pribyl 1991	Thomas Pryor 1970	Ryan Quinn 2001
Tom Quiring 1996	Jefry Reichstadt 2001	Todd Reid	Michael Rippberger 1965	Richard Robak 1973
Jim Ross 1956	Brad Sarauer 2001		Chris Schwartz 1992	Mark Selisker 1982
Jamie Skjeeseth 1997	Mike Skorich 1961	Jerry Sobaski 1974	Will Spencer 2003	Mark Stalpes 1968

Lerry Stenstad 1976		Travis Thompson 2005	Jim Tollett 1986	Mike Tomsche
Rob Trurk 1997	Karl Turnlund	Dave Vetsch 1981		Bobby Wick 1997
Timothy Wiens	Chad Wimmer 2004	Nathan Winter 1988	Mark Wold 1984	Darryle Ziegler 1986

Thank you for  
your support!



Go Huskies!

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