










Husky Dugout Club Newsletter

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SCSU Banquet A Grand Slam

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The 2008 St. Cloud State University Baseball Kick-Off Banquet and Tourette's Syndrome Fundraiser, which was held on Feb. 9 in St. Cloud was a grand slam success.

A crowd of almost 500 Husky baseball boosters and fans crowded the ballroom at the St. Cloud Holiday Inn that night, which featured new SCSU baseball coach Pat Dolan and keynote speaker Jim Eisenreich - a former SCSU baseball player and major league baseball player with the Minnesota Twins, Kansas City Royals, Philadelphia Phillies, Florida Marlins and Los Angeles Dodgers.

SCSU graduate and longtime Minnesota Twins television announcer Dick Bremer served as the event's emcee.

The evening also included a salute to the 1958 SCSU Baseball Team, which was coached by John Kasper, and appearances by several professional ball players with ties to SCSU and St. Cloud. Those players included Dana Kiecker, Greg Thayer, Ben Hendrickson and Robb Quinlan.

The day of SCSU baseball in the winter kicked off with the SCSU Coaches Clinic and a

Meet the Starz Youth Baseball Clinic. Both events were held on the campus at SCSU, and they included training sessions in the fabulous Husky Stadium Dome - one of the upper Midwest's top indoor facilities. The coaches clinic and youth clinic had over 150 participants.

"I was amazed by the turnout in such bad weather conditions, but if this doesn't show there is some interest in the SCSU Husky Baseball tradition and excitement...I don't know what will," Dolan said. "There's too many people to thank that helped set this great event up. All I know is I don't deserve the credit, Husky baseball supporters do.

"I will say this, next year we will be having all three events, but not on the same day. The feet were a little sore on Sunday."

A big highlight of the banquet at the Holiday Inn was the keynote address by Eisenreich. His foundation, which helps support Tourette's Syndrome research, received part

of the proceeds from the event.

"Jim (Eisenreich) gave a great speech. He's been one of my favorite players the past 25-plus years I've been involved in Major League Baseball," Bremer said. "The Huskies are going in the right direction and I'm just glad to be a part of this great event,"

Eisenreich expressed his appreciation for this special event in his hometown of St. Cloud.

"Pat and his entire staff really put together a great day of baseball. To have 150 coaches and players at the clinic and then the sellout crowd at the banquet was quite amazing. I was amazed about the turnout," said Eisenreich.



Baseball Banquet DVDs Now Available

The SCSU Baseball season opening banquet is now available in a DVD series. The DVD will be on sale for \$20.00. It comes in a two part series. For more information or to order the DVDs please contact production director Matt Leither at 612-730-4164 or mattleither2002@yahoo.com





SCSU Opens 2008 Baseball Campaign



The St. Cloud State University baseball team opened its season on Feb. 3, with a 6-5 and 9-0 double-header loss against Rockhurst College. Both games were played at the Metrodome in Minneapolis.

In game one the Huskies could not overcome a four-run, Rockhurst first inning: A three-run triple punctuated the early outburst for the Hawks.

“Game one was really a well played game after we spotted them three first inning runs. Anytime you give any good team more than three outs to work with you are asking for trouble and that’s what really hurt us in one inning of each of the games,” said head coach Pat Dolan.

The Huskies started to chip away in the fifth inning with two runs. Kyle Resser (Bonney Lake, Wash.) knocked in one run with a bases loaded single and Ryan Sturm (Springfield) came on to pinch hit, delivering a sacrifice fly to cut the RU lead to 6-2.

The Huskies continued to battle, scoring three runs in the sixth. The first three batters of the inning reached, and Sam Radbil (Whitefish Bay, Wis.) delivered with a two-RBI single. Ryan Tschida (Greay Eagle) connected on another sacrifice fly to follow Radbil, as that was all the Huskies could muster. With the tying run at second the Hawks induced a strike out and ground out to get out of the inning with the one-run lead.

The Huskies again put the tying run on second with two outs in the seventh but Rockhurst held on for the 6-5 win.

Cody Forrester (San Diego, Calif.) led the Husky offense, going 2-4 with a double and a run. Radbil was 1-1 with two RBI’s, reaching base in all three plate appearances.

Time Scott (Ely) took the loss for the Huskies, while Pat DeLaHunt came in and held the Hawks at bay, pitching 4.2 hitless innings in relief. The Hawks had just three hits in the game.

“Pat kept us in the game and gave us a chance to win,” said Dolan. “It just

shows you don’t have to throw 88mph to be an effective pitcher. He was working ahead of the hitters and he pitched with good tempo.”

Rockhurst rode another big inning, a five-run sixth, to a 9-0 victory in game two.

The Hawks scored one in the first, three in the fourth and the big sixth sealed the RU sweep. Chris Koenig (St. Cloud) took the loss and five different Huskies has one hit to account for the offense.



Home Game Schedule



The Huskies will play 13 home games, at Joe Faber Field, during the 2008 season and eight games will be played at the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome.

April 5	*University of Minnesota-Duluth	1:00
April 5	*University of Minnesota-Duluth	4:00
April 6	*University of Minnesota-Duluth	1:00
April 6	*University of Minnesota-Duluth	4:00
April 18	*Minnesota State University Mankato	2:00 (Alumni Day)
April 18	*Minnesota State University Mankato	5:00
April 23	St. John's University (1-9 inning) (Fill Faber Field Fundraiser)	6:00
April 26	*University of Nebraska-Omaha (Youth Baseball Clinic)	1:00 (Parents Day)
April 26	*University of Nebraska-Omaha	4:00
April 27	*University of Nebraska-Omaha	1:00 (Senior Day)
April 27	*University of Nebraska-Omaha	4:00 (Putz Field)
April 30	University of Sioux Falls	2:00 (Cold Spring)
April 30	University of Sioux Falls	4:00



Huskies Gain First Wins of Pat Dolan Era



The St. Cloud State University baseball team (2-2) won the first games of the Pat Dolan era, as the Huskies picked up a 7-4, 3-0 twin bill sweep over Peru State on Feb. 23. The games were played at Ottawa, Kan.

In game one, the Huskies collected two runs in the third inning on three hits and then sealed the game with five runs in the fifth inning on four hits. Peru State added its three runs in the sixth inning on one hit. In the game, SCSU had seven runs on nine hits with just three errors. Peru State had three runs on six hits with two errors.

SCSU's Kyle Resser was 3-of-4 in the game, while Bruce Thompson was 2-of-4 with two RBIs. To complete the offensive barrage, Ryan Tschida was 2-of-3 with two RBIs.

On the mound, Chris Koenig pitched 5 2/3 innings with one strikeout, four

runs allowed, one earned run allowed and five hits allowed. He was the pitcher of record, as Mitch Staley was the reliever with one hit and one strikeout in the final 1 1/3 inning of play.

In game two, Tim Scott was the star with a complete game shutout. He pitched all seven innings with just two hits allowed and nine strikeouts to his credit.

"That's the type of performance we need out of (Scott). Playing DI ball at Nebraska, he knows what this game is all about. We are very fortunate to have Tim for three years," said coach Dolan

SCSU gained the game winning runs with two in the third inning of play. The Huskies padded the score with one more run in the fourth. In the game, SCSU had three runs on four hits with no errors. PSU had two hits and one error in the

Offensive standouts for the Huskies were Cody Forrester with one hit and one RBI, Kent Koch with one hit and Brandon Peyer with two hits.

"Both Chris and Tim had great performances on the mound and that's where it starts. Other than one bad defensive inning in the first game where we had 3 errors, we really played solid baseball," said Coach Dolan.

These marked the first wins for new SCSU baseball coach Pat Dolan, who now sports a 2-2 record with the Huskies this season.



The Huskies will return to action on Feb. 24, with another doubleheader against Peru State. The games will be played at Ottawa, Kan



Starz Of Tomorrow "Spring Training" Clinics In March



The St. Clouds State baseball program will be hosting the 15th Annual Starz of Tomorrow "Spring Training" Clinics for area students ages 8-18 beginning the first weekend in March and running every Saturday and Sunday for the next three weekends at the Husky Stadium Dome.

"We are very excited to again offer our Starz of Tomorrow Spring Training Clinics to the area ball players," said clinic director and Husky Head Baseball Coach Pat Dolan. Dolan started the clinics in 1993 before handing the operating duties over to the St. Cloud River Bats prior to tak-

ing a coaching position at St. Andre's College in North Carolina.

The cost for the clinic is \$150.00 per player and \$100.00 for additional family members. The camp's format will be primarily hands on, drill work and simulated games with short baseball lectures mixed in. Each session will be limited to 150 campers, as each day will be divided in two sessions. The first session will be for players in grades 9-12 from 8:00am-10:30am and the second session for players in grades 3-8 from 9:00am-11:30am.

All sessions will be held on the campus of St. Cloud State University.

The first and third weekends the clinic will take place in the SCSU Husky Dome, while the second weekend the clinics will be held in the SCSU Field House.

"We would like to thank Joel Sutherland and the River Bats for working with us and allowing us to purchase the Spring Training clinics back. They are great clinics to get the area players ready for their spring seasons," said Dolan.





Welcome to the Husky Dugout Club



Welcome to the Husky Dugout Club Newsletter. This newsletter is designed to provide you with the current information about the Husky Dugout Club, and how you can help support St. Cloud State University baseball.

The Board of Director's number one goal is to have Husky baseball parents, Husky baseball alumni and Husky baseball boosters join in the excitement and camaraderie of Husky baseball.

The proceeds, as designed in our by-laws, will go directly to the operations of the baseball program. There are a number of projects that we need financial help with to update our program and we feel this club can give us the funds to keep our program competitive as SCSU moves to the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference in 2008.

We are asking for your contribution to support our ability to remain competitive with the best Division II baseball programs in the country. We thank you for your support and hope that you will follow the exciting Husky baseball season.

For complete information about becoming a member of the Husky Dugout Club, please contact Pete Pratt, Husky Dugout Club Vice President at: p.pratt18@yahoo.com or call the SCSU baseball office at (320)-308-3541.



A Letter From Head Coach Pat Dolan



It's an exciting time to be involved with the SCSU Husky baseball program!

The Huskies are primed to be a strong competitor in the very competitive Northern Central Conference, before joining the NSIC next year.

We are excited to be entering our first year of the Husky Dugout Club. The Dugout Club has been very instrumental in a number of endeavors that have benefited the Huskies. Hope to see you at the Ballpark!

Head Coach Pat Dolan



2008 Husky Baseball Team

