

# College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin Baseball Notes (3/19/08)



Augustana • Carthage • Elmhurst • Illinois Wesleyan • Millikin • North Central • North Park • Wheaton

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## Upcoming Games

### March 19

Carthage vs. Dallas (DH), Noon  
Ill. Wesleyan @ Rhodes, 3 p.m.  
North Central vs. Clarkson, 2 p.m.  
North Park @ Benedictine, 4:30 p.m.  
Aurora @ Wheaton, 2:30 p.m.

### March 20

Augustana @ Monmouth, 3 p.m.  
Carthage vs. McDaniel, Noon  
Ill. Wesleyan @ Christian Bros., 2 p.m.  
Millikin vs. Loras (DH), 9 a.m.  
North Central vs. Endicott, 8:30 a.m.  
Dominican @ North Park (DH), 2 p.m.  
Wheaton @ Judson, 4 p.m.

## Recent Scores

### March 18

Millikin 11, Plattsburgh State 7  
Millikin 12, Plattsburgh State 7  
Greenville 9, North Central 6  
Millsaps 21, Ill. Wesleyan 16  
Concordia (Ill.) 11, North Park 5

### March 17

Carthage 3, Centenary 2  
Carthage 10, Centenary 3  
North Central 12, MCLA 4  
Stevens Tech 6, Millikin 1  
Millikin 10, Stevens Tech 1  
Mississippi College 8, Ill. Wesleyan 6

### March 16

Augustana 9, St. Norbert 3  
Carthage 6, Mt. St. Joseph 0  
Carthage 11, Mt. St. Joseph 2  
Rowan (N.J.) 13, North Central 10

### March 15

Carthage 7, Mt. Aloysius 2  
North Central 12, Sewanee 0  
Messiah 13, Wheaton 6  
Messiah 9, Wheaton 5  
Adrian 12, Ill. Wesleyan 3  
Ill. Wesleyan 5, Rose-Hulman 4  
Marian 7, North Park 2  
RPI 15, Augustana 5

### March 14

Ill. Wesleyan 6, Rose-Hulman 1  
Adrian 9, Ill. Wesleyan 2  
Augustana 6, RPI 3  
North Park 6, Doane 2

### March 13

Augustana 17, Arcadia 0  
Millikin 12, Robert Morris-Springfield 1  
North Park 21, Monmouth (Ill.) 1  
Wheaton 3, Becker 2  
Wheaton 8, Becker 7

## National rankings

Three College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin (CCIW) teams were recently ranked in the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association (NCBWA)/D3Baseball.com Top 25 Poll. Carthage, off to a 5-0 start, was ranked third in the country followed by Augustana (12th) and Illinois Wesleyan (21st). D3Baseball.com is a website devoted strictly to the coverage of NCAA Division III baseball. The top 25 poll is voted on by a panel of 25 coaches, Sports Information Directors and media members from across the country, and is published weekly.

## CCIW Player of the Week

North Park's **Brady Josephson**, a senior infielder from Strathmore, Alberta, Canada and Strathmore High School, had a .642 batting average in seven games played at the Russ Matt Tournament in Arizona where the Vikings finished with a 4-3 record last week. He also had an .857 slugging percentage, a .714 on-base percentage, eight RBI, 13 runs scored and two stolen bases. He went a perfect four-for-four with an RBI and a run scored in North Park's final game of the tournament against Marian (Wis.) College on March 15. Defensively, Josephson didn't commit an error in 43 chances.

## CCIW Pitcher of the Week

Wheaton's **Josh Weaver**, a sophomore pitcher from Franklin Park, Ill., and East Leyden High School, posted a record of 1-0, with a save in two appearances last week. He accumulated an ERA of 0.00 in 10 innings of work, with 14 strikeouts. Weaver pitched a complete game in eight innings of work (a scheduled seven-inning game) in helping Wheaton to a 3-2 victory against Becker College last Thursday in Orlando, Florida. Weaver held Becker to just three hits and struck out 13 batters and both Becker runs were unearned. On Tuesday, he earned a save in one inning of relief as he struck out a batter in Wheaton's 6-3 win against New Jersey City University.

## Illinois Wesleyan's Aronson picks up where he left off

After earning CCIW Pitcher of the Year honors in 2007, Illinois Wesleyan's **Matt Aronson (LaGrange, Ill./St. Ignatius)** got 2008 off on the right foot. He threw eight innings of five hit baseball, striking out five and allowing one run in the Titans' 6-1 win at Rose-Hulman on March 14. Aronson faced 32 batters and walked none in his season opening appearance. Reigning CCIW Player of the Year **Ricky Angel (Glen Ellyn, Ill./Glenbard West)** went two-for-four with two runs and one RBI.

## Bastien, Millikin start season with power surge

Millikin kicked off the 2008 season with a 12-1 win over Robert Morris-Springfield behind the bat of junior **Tom Bastien (Chicago, Ill./Marist)**. Bastien was instrumental, scoring three runs and tallying five RBI in the win. He also recorded a home run and double for the Big Blue. **Bill Leffler (Tinley Park, Ill./Andrew)** went two-for-four from the plate and drove in four runs for the Big Blue.

## Augustana completes spring trip on winning note

Augustana completed a successful 9-2 spring trip to Tampa, Florida with a 9-3 win over St. Norbert on March 16. The Vikings looked to pitcher **Eric Knott (Huntley, Ill./Marian Central Catholic)** who went eight innings and scattered eight hits, striking out four and walking one to move to 2-1 on the season. After St. Norbert took a 1-0 lead on an unearned run, the Vikings quickly pulled ahead, scoring two runs in both the first and second innings to put the game away.

## Carthage not slowing down in 2008

Carthage advanced to the College World Series in 2007 and has shown no signs of slowing down in 2008 as the Red Men are off to a 5-0 start to the season. In its most recent game, Carthage swept a double-header from Centenary (N.J.) 3-2 and 10-3 on March 17. In the first game, **Mark Sobol (Woodstock, Ill./Marian Central Catholic)** hit a two-run double in the sixth inning for the game's final score. In the nightcap, **Jason Acevedo (Vernon Hills, Ill./H.S.)** went four-for-four and hit for the cycle with a two-run home run in the first inning, a single in the third, a double in the fifth, and a triple in the sixth inning.

## This and that

North Central is off to a 2-2 start to its spring trip to Orlando, Fla., including a 12-4 win over the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts on March 17. Cartcher **Dustin Gilbreth (Inverness, Ill./Barrington)**, making his first start of the season, finished the day three-for-five with four RBI ... Elmhurst continues its season March 21 against Western New England College in Chandler, Ariz. The Bluejays have not played since going 1-3 on a trip to Minneapolis, Minn., March 2-3.

## CCIW Standings

School	CCIW	Overall
Carthage	0-0	5-0
Augustana	0-0	9-2
Millikin	0-0	4-1
Wheaton	0-0	7-2
North Park	0-0	4-7
North Central	0-0	2-4
Ill. Wesleyan	0-0	2-4
Elmhurst	0-0	1-3

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