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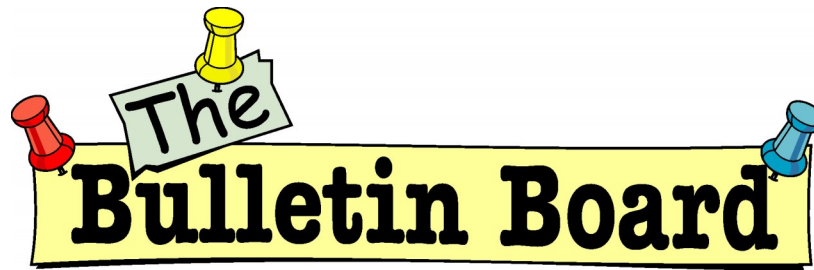
RCBC Newsletter

“Intangibles” By Coach DeFendis

Some, if not all recruiters are not there solely to see you hit, catch or throw. They also look for what’s called intangibles, things that cannot be measured but make all the difference. Here’s some of what I’m talking about.

1. Are you one thing in person and another online.
2. Are you a great teammate.
3. Do you make a good first impression.
4. Are you working when no one is watching, because that guy standing in right field behind the concession stand is your ticket to college.
5. And last but not least, are you coachable Do you respect the game, your teammates and officials.

If you want to get noticed, make sure you have the necessary intangibles that get you recognized.

A graphic of a yellow bulletin board with a black border. The word "The" is written on a small white tag pinned to the top left with a yellow pushpin. The words "Bulletin Board" are written in large, bold, black letters across the center of the board. A red pushpin is pinned to the top left corner, and a blue pushpin is pinned to the top right corner.

The Bulletin Board

- The next close date for the Marucci online store is October 10. Check out our special holiday gift packages for players and parents on pages 12-13.
- Interested in being a PG tournament Game Changer or DiamondKast game scorer for our remaining fall events, contact Charlie Quinn at 718-702-8417.
- For any interested players who missed the August or September tryouts for the fall season, submit the Registration Interest form on the RCBC website and you will be put in touch with the coach for your age group. Additional tryouts for spring 2020 will also be scheduled for sometime over the winter.
- Stay tuned for information on our annual Winter Workouts.
- Join Coach DeFendis for the Moore Catholic High School Open House on October 6 from 12 to 3 pm.

Tournament Update

September Results - In the PG Super25 Northeast Fall Super Qualifier, Knights Nation took top honors in 12U, the Nor East Clippers were champs in 13U and the Diamond Jacks Super 15s topped the field in 15U. In the 17U PGBA Staten Island Fall Invitational, the 9ers Baseball Club were crowned champs. And in the PG Super25 Staten Island Fall Super Qualifier, the 11U division was taken by Baserats Baseball while the NY Angels were champs in 12U.

Upcoming tournaments in October:

October 4-6 - RCBC October Slugfest (9U, 11U)

October 4-6 - PG Super25 Northeast Fall Super Qualifier (16U)

October 18-20 - RCBC Staten Island Fall Classic (10U, 12U)

October 18-20 - PGBA Northeast Fall Championship (15U, 18U)

October 25-27 - PGBA Northeast Fall Championship (10U, 11U, 12U, 13U)

Visit www.rctournaments.com for more information on our events.

Tournament Champs



10U Nationals
USABL 11U
Labor Day
Classic

13U Americans
USABL 14U
Labor Day
Classic



Tournament Champs



10U Nationals
USABL 11U
Back 2 School
Fall Frenzy

11U Americans
USABL 12U
Back 2 School
Fall Frenzy



Tournament Champs



7U Nationals

USABL 8U Back 2 School Fall Frenzy

10U Nationals

USABL 11U

Leather & Lumber
Classic



Tournament Champs



11U Americans
James McElroy Memorial Tournament

RCBC Member Update



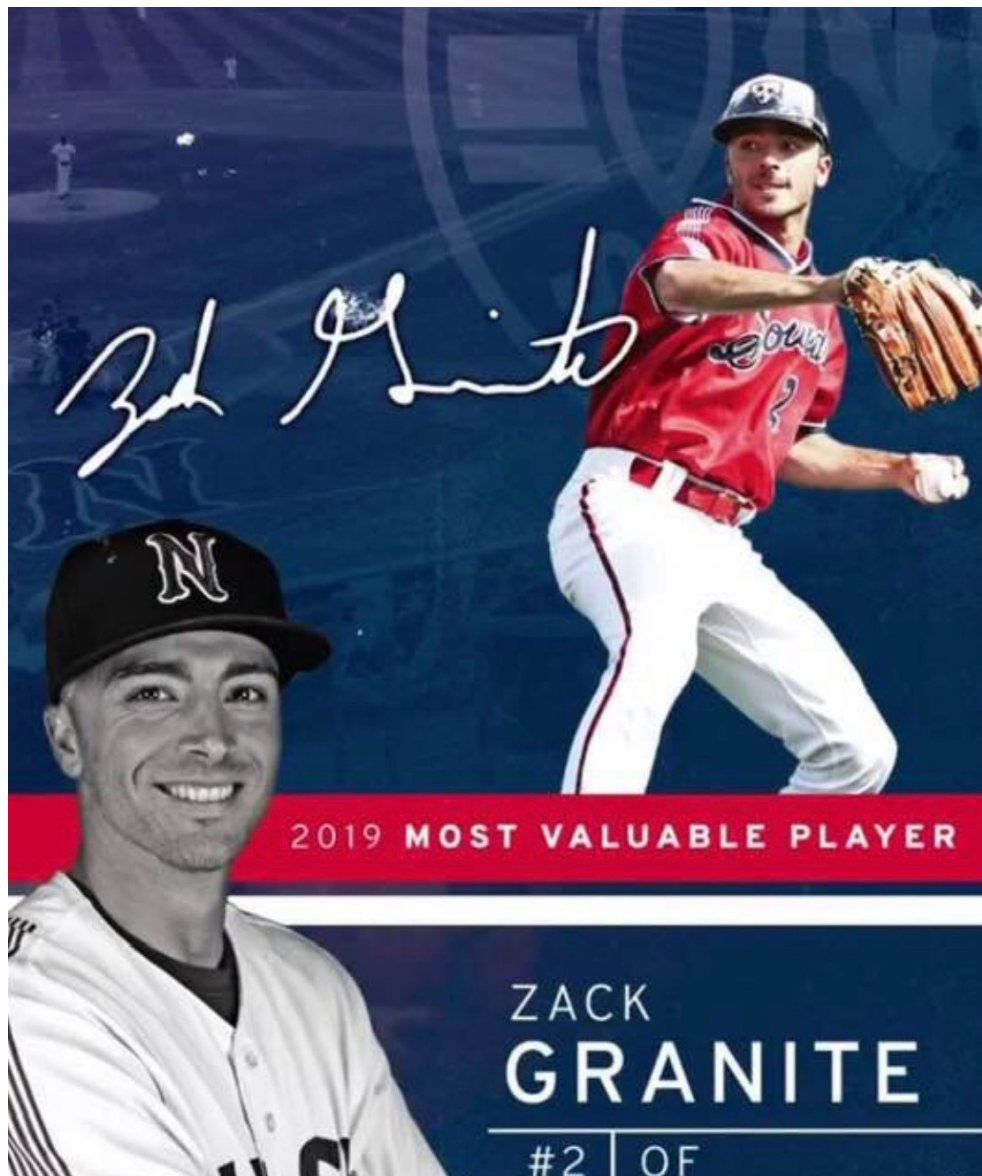
Congratulations to
Anthony Manisero
on committing to
Molloy College



Congratulations to
Jackson Tucker
on committing to
St Johns University



RCBC Member Update



Congrats to Zack Granite who was named
2019 MVP of the Nashville Sounds.

Zack batted .290 with 25 stolen bases for
the Texas Rangers' AAA affiliate.



RCBC Ranked By Perfect Game Again

2019 Mid Atlantic Ranking



PERFECT GAME

16U New Jersey - # 15

2019 Mid Atlantic Ranking



PERFECT GAME

17U Nationals - # 16

Both teams also received Honorable Mention in the
2019 Perfect Game National Rankings



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Coach Lope's Baseball Thoughts

In This Issue - Leave The Sports Officials
And Coaches Alone!!!!

Quote of the Month - A manager once said about umpires:

"I never questioned their integrity; just their eyesight."

The National Federation of State High School Associations is raising a "red flag." 80% of school sports officials (e.g., umpires) leave the job after their first two seasons. The reason: verbal abuse that's spewed out by the players and coaches and mostly fans, especially parents. I actually think a majority of RCBC parents are well behaved.

Part of the problem in my opinion, is that parents in any sport are never going to say their son or his team are at fault when the team loses. It's the coach and/or the officials doing the game. I sometimes laugh at the excuses. And yes....girl sports have the same problem.

Verbal abuse isn't the only problem. How about threats and even attacks on officials. Games break out into fights between parents on both teams (remember the parents of the two 7 year old teams duking it out like George Forman and Muhammad Ali!).

The Federation does say officials make more calls than ever before which can spark nasty reactions. I've always felt an umpire or referee should be low key and not try to be the "center of attention." In a recent survey of youth sports officials, the Federation found that 13% say they've been assaulted, 47% fear for their safety, 57% say they've broken up fights between parents, and 64% have had to have a fan ejected for being unruly.

Coaches are also quitting more regularly according to the National Federation. They attribute this to parental criticism, verbal abuse and even attacks on coaches. They feel the job is less satisfying even when they are coaching a winning team. We know not every coach is Tony LaRussa, or Greg Popovich or Bill Belichick, but the job isn't easy.

Finally, it's important that sports officials are well trained on the rules (of course) on handling player and coach complaints and turning a deaf ear with the fans.

Let everyone Lower Their Voices!!!!

Marucci Featured Items

Holiday Gift Packages

Great Marucci products at an even lower bundled discount price

Player/Dad/Sibling Apparel Package



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Mom's Apparel Package



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Marucci Featured Items

Holiday Gift Packages

Hitter's Package



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Youth Bat Pack Package



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