



## History of DYB Scholarships

In 1955, the founders of Dixie Youth Baseball established a college scholarship program for high school seniors who previously played in the program. Dixie Youth has awarded scholarships to former participants for fifty-nine (59) consecutive years. In 1961, the first eligible players graduated high school and a \$500 scholarship and a \$250 scholarship were awarded. This year, one hundred (100) \$2,000 scholarships were awarded for the second consecutive year. Total awards since inception of the scholarship program now number 1,786 with an aggregate value of \$3,340,950. Dixie Youth funds its scholarships through donations received annually to the Scholarship Fund and interest earned on those funds.

Qualifications are simple; actually, there is only one qualification - the person must have at one time played on a team in a Dixie Youth Baseball league. There is no relationship between the award of a scholarship and athletic ability. All awards are based on academic achievement. Only students entering college for the first time may apply for a scholarship.

February 1 is the deadline for a high school senior to submit his or her application for a scholarship to Johnny Berthelot, Chairman of the DYB Scholarship Committee. Over 400 applications are received each year and the Scholarship Committee receives a copy of each application. Each Committee member recommends the top applicants to receive the award and the aggregate of all recommendations are compiled to select the winners. The process is completed by May 1, in time for the recipients to be notified, and plans may be requested for recognitions to take place at the recipients' Class Day, Awards Day at their high schools or at a DYB tournament.

**DIXIE YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:** Johnny Berthelot, LA (Chairman); Vann Saltz, AL; Charles Jackson, AR; Don Morris, FL; David Gloyd, GA; Tommy Rheams, MS; Kenneth Britt, NC; Phil Parnell, SC; Tony Brown, TN; Jason Mitchell, TX; Phyllis Johnson, VA.

| YEAR | YEAR BY YEAR<br>NO. OF AWARDS | TOTAL<br>VALUE      | YEAR                | YEAR BY YEAR<br>NO. OF AWARDS | TOTAL<br>VALUE     |
|------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1961 | 2                             | 750                 | 1991                | 20                            | 40,000             |
| 1962 | 4                             | 1,500               | 1992                | 20                            | 40,000             |
| 1963 | 4                             | 2,000               | 1993                | 20                            | 40,000             |
| 1964 | 4                             | 2,000               | 1994                | 20                            | 40,000             |
| 1965 | 4                             | 2,000               | 1995                | 20                            | 40,000             |
| 1966 | 4                             | 2,000               | 1996                | 20                            | 40,000             |
| 1967 | 4                             | 2,000               | 1997                | 20                            | 40,000             |
| 1968 | 4                             | 2,000               | 1998                | 21                            | 42,000             |
| 1969 | 4                             | 2,000               | 1999                | 22                            | 44,000             |
| 1970 | 4                             | 2,000               | 2000                | 22                            | 44,000             |
| 1971 | 6                             | 3,000               | 2001                | 23                            | 46,000             |
| 1972 | 6                             | 3,000               | 2002                | 25                            | 50,000             |
| 1973 | 6                             | 3,000               | 2003                | 27                            | 54,000             |
| 1974 | 6                             | 4,200               | 2004                | 30                            | 60,000             |
| 1975 | 6                             | 4,200               | 2005                | 50                            | 100,000            |
| 1976 | 6                             | 4,200               | 2006                | 60                            | 120,000            |
| 1977 | 8                             | 5,600               | 2007                | 70                            | 140,000            |
| 1978 | 10                            | 7,000               | 2008                | 65                            | 130,000            |
| 1979 | 10                            | 7,000               | 2009                | 70                            | 140,000            |
| 1980 | 10                            | 7,000               | 2010                | 70                            | 140,000            |
| 1981 | 10                            | 15,000              | 2011                | 70                            | 140,000            |
| 1982 | 12                            | 18,000              | 2012                | 70                            | 140,000            |
| 1983 | 12                            | 18,000              | 2013                | 70                            | 140,000            |
| 1984 | 15                            | 22,500              | 2014                | 75                            | 150,000            |
| 1985 | 18                            | 27,000              | 2015                | 81                            | 162,000            |
| 1986 | 20                            | 30,000              | 2016                | 81                            | 162,000            |
| 1987 | 20                            | 30,000              | 2017                | 80                            | 160,000            |
| 1988 | 20                            | 30,000              | 2018                | 85                            | 170,000            |
| 1989 | 20                            | 30,000              | 2019                | 100                           | 200,000            |
| 1990 | 20                            | 40,000              | 2020                | 100                           | 200,000            |
|      |                               | <b>GRAND TOTALS</b> | <b>1,786 Awards</b> |                               | <b>\$3,340,950</b> |

Total cumulative scholarship awards by state are: North Carolina 241, Alabama 238, South Carolina 224, Tennessee 212, Texas 192, Mississippi 171, Louisiana 155, Florida 103, Virginia 99, Georgia 90 and Arkansas 61.