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World Series Recap

(by Paul Weltz)

Following is a summary of the Brassball World Series. Stanley Sioux (111-51) faced Cook County (115-47) for the title. This was the Sioux's first visit to the Series, having finally gotten by the Empire...err Ocala... in the NLCS (it took 3 years in a row but the third time was the charm). Kevin's Mauler's were certainly no novices to the World Series atmosphere.

Stanley at Cook County WS game 1

Having been extended to 7 games by Ocala, Paul's Stanley Sioux would go with Randy Johnson in game one (Schilling was ineligible due to lack of rest – though it would have been a tough choice to make had he been rested). Cook County was fully rested with a 5 game ALCS and therefore started their ace Pedro Martinez in game 1. The question would be - would the Sioux come in tired or the Maulers be rusty? Game 1 was a pitching masterpiece. Stanley appeared to know a bit about Pedro in the 2nd inning as Rafael Palmeiro and Jermaine Dye led off the inning with back to back doubles, giving the Sioux a 1-0 lead. That seemed to incite Pedro a bit – as the Sioux would not see another base runner until the 7th inning! Meanwhile Randy Johnson was even tougher – mowing down the tough Mauler lineup through four innings with 12 up, 12 down, including 6 K's. Vladimir Guerrero solved the Unit to lead off Mauler fifth with a mammoth 475 foot shot to tie the game at 1-1.

The 7th inning would draw much interest from both managers. The top of the 7th would see Tom Prince finally breaking the base runner drought for the Sioux – by drawing a 2 out walk. Weltz saw the fleet footed Tony Womack on the bench, but decided to leave the reserve catcher Prince in since he was calling a great game. Randy Winn flew out to end the Sioux 7th. After a harmless groundout by Steve Finley, Jason Giambi found the gap for a one out double. Seeing first base open and Vlad back at the plate – the Unit didn't even need a visit by the catcher to decide to walk him and set up a potential double play and face the lefty Jim Thome. Wildness stuck for another batter, and Thome drew a walk to load the bases. This brought everyone to the mound for consultation – it was decided Johnson was not tired, and the infield was brought in for Mike Piazza. After a series of foul balls, a 3-2 slider was swung on and missed by Piazza to make it two outs. Troy Glaus stood in with the bases loaded, but could only ground out to end the threat.

Still a 1-1 score going into the 8th – Jose Valentin led off with a flyout. Mike Bordick reached base on a hit batsman. Bernie Williams came up and checked for signs – would be bunt, hit and run, or steal against Piazza who was still smarting from the 7th. Off to the races went Bordick – and nailed he would be. Threat over, and Williams would fly out the end the Sioux 8th. Again the pitchers settled in batter

by batter – with the pitchers continuing to win each matchup through the 9th! After 9 innings the linescore was

Stanley 1-2-0
Cook County 1-2-0

“Wow” I believe was a quote, as well as “A World Series Classic”.

With no signs of tiring – Pedro trotted out to start the 10th. Jermaine Dye lined out to start the inning. Veteran Tom Prince managed a bloop single to reach first base. With only one out – Tony Womack was summoned to pinch run. Though Piazza had nailed his last base runner, defensive specialist Doug Mirabelli was summoned to catch for the Maulers. Trying to scratch out a run somehow, somehow, Womack found a decent lead and was off to the races... SAFE he would be at 2nd. Randy Winn, 0-3 in the game, continued his at bat knowing he needed to find a small hit somewhere to try and get to Pedro. WHAP – he found the gap... and the ball cleared the fence for a 2 run HR! Pedro couldn't believe it, and neither could most of the Mauler (and Sioux) faithful. Pedro would finish the inning and looked toward the dugout for help from his offense.

With Chris Hammond and Jose Mesa warming – Randy Johnson would still ask for the ball to start the 10th. Against left Jim Thome Johnson managed to get his 13th strikeout. Defensive sub Doug Mirabelli would bat next and did his job – grinding out a walk to bring the tying run to the plate in Troy Glaus. Sensing no need to replace Johnson, Wertz stuck with him and was rewarded with the 14th strikeout of the game. Kolb wasn't done with his deep bench though – and brought in Adam Hydzu to swing for the fences. This would be the Unit's night to remember – and down went Hydzu to be the 15th strikeout victim.

What a game to inaugurate the Sioux to the World Series. Both starters went 10 innings – box of:

[1]BOXSCORE: 2003 Stanley Sioux At 2003 Cook County Maulers 11/1/2003

[1] Sioux	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	Maulers	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG
B.Williams LF	3	0	0	0	.000	A.Soriano 2B	4	0	0	0	.240
R.Klesko DH	4	0	0	0	.000	S.Finley CF	4	0	0	0	.194
J.Kent 2B	4	0	0	0	.000	J.Giambi 1B	4	0	1	0	.429
R.Palmeiro 1B	4	1	1	0	.250	V.Guerrero RF	3	1	1	1	.340
J.Dye RF	4	0	1	1	.250	J.Thome DH	3	0	0	0	.323
T.Prince C	3	0	1	0	.333	M.Piazza C	3	0	0	0	.095
C-T.Womack PR	0	1	0	0	----	D-D.Mirabelli C	0	0	0	0	----
E-P.Lo Duca C	0	0	0	0	----	T.Glaus 3B	4	0	0	0	.111
R.Winn CF	4	1	1	2	.250	N.Garciaparra SS	3	0	0	0	.304
J.Valentin 3B	3	0	0	0	.000	G-A.Hyzdu PH	1	0	0	0	.000
F-A.Sheets 3B	0	0	0	0	----	K.Lofton LF	2	0	0	0	.276
M.Bordick SS	3	0	0	0	.000	A-T.Greene PH	1	0	0	0	.000
						B-R.Taylor LF	0	0	0	0	----
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[1] Totals		32	3	4	3	Totals		32	1	2	1

- A-Pinch Hit For Lofton In 8th Inning
- B-Subbed Defensively (LF) For Greene In 9th Inning
- C-Pinch Ran For Prince In 10th Inning
- D-Subbed Defensively (C) For Piazza In 10th Inning
- E-Subbed Defensively (C) For Womack In 10th Inning
- F-Subbed Defensively (3B) For Valentin In 10th Inning
- G-Pinch Hit For Garciaparra In 10th Inning

Sioux..... 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 - 3 4 0
Maulers..... 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 - 1 2 0

[1]Sioux	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	ERA	SCORESHEET
R.Johnson WIN(1-0)	10	2	1	1	3	15	1	0.90	A1
[1]Totals	10	2	1	1	3	15	1		

[1]Maulers	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	ERA	SCORESHEET
P.Martinez LOSS (3-1)	10	4	3	3	3	11	1	2.21	A1
[1]Totals	10	4	3	3	3	11	1		

ATTENDANCE- 47,604 DATE- TIME- Night WEATHER- Average
T- 2:43

LEFT ON BASE- Sioux: 3 Maulers: 4

DOUBLE PLAYS- Sioux: 0 Maulers: 1

DOUBLES- R.Palmeiro (1st), J.Dye (1st), J.Giambi (2nd)

HOME RUNS- R.Winn (1st), V.Guerrero (3rd)

STOLEN BASES- T.Womack (1st)

CAUGHT STEALING- M.Bordick

WALKS- B.Williams, T.Prince, J.Valentin, V.Guerrero, J.Thome, D.Mirabelli

HIT BY PITCH- M.Bordick

STRIKE OUTS- B.Williams-2, R.Klesko, J.Kent, R.Palmeiro, J.Dye-2, T.Prince-2,
J.Valentin, M.Bordick, A.Soriano-2, S.Finley, J.Giambi-3,
J.Thome-3, M.Piazza, T.Glaus-2, N.Garciaparra, A.Hyzdu, T.Greene

GIDP- J.Kent

Stanley at Cook County WS game 2

Fresh from a game 1 win, Weltz and the Sioux sent NLCS MVP Curt Schilling (23-9) to the mound in an attempt to take two consecutive road games from the Maulers. Kolb's Maulers countered with their tough lefty Tom Glavine (22-6). With both offenses having been kept quiet in game 1, it would figure to be a wakeup call type game for the hitters. After a one out double by Nomar Garciaparra in the bottom of the first, Jason Giambi gave the Maulers a quick 1-0 lead with an RBI single. Stanley countered immediately in the top of the 2nd with a solo HR by the playoff quiet Ryan Klesko to tie at 1-1. The offenses remained quiet until the bottom of the 3rd when Jason Glambi launched a 2 out solo HR to give the lead back to the Maulers at 2-1. Vlad Guerrero followed with an infield single and error by Jose Valentin to advance to 2nd. Jim Thome was intentionally walked to bring up Piazza – who failed to deliver in this 2 out situation to end the bottom of the 3rd.

The offenses could only muster 2 out singles and an occasional scratch hit until the top of the 6th. Bernie Williams led off with a base hit and took 2nd on a stolen base. Game 1 hero Randy Winn reached on a short single to put runners on 1st & 3rd with no out. Kolb had seen enough of Glavine with lefty killer Jeff Kent coming up so Antonio Osuna was summoned from the pen. After some mixed up defensive and offensive signals from coaches – Kent managed to tie the game but killed the rally with a double play. The Maulers would not wait long to respond. A leadoff single by Mike Piazza started the 6th. Kolb went to the bench and brought in Kenny Lofton to pinch run. 1 pitch later Lofton was at 2nd base with a successful steal. He wouldn't stand there long as Steve Finley hit a 2 run HR to give the Maulers a 4-2 lead. Frustrated – Schilling beamed Desi Relaford to follow. While no bench clearing brawls were to be seen – Relaford was not happy. The excitement would finally get Schilling buckle in and strike out Carl Everett and Alfonso Soriano, and get Nomar to pop out to end the 6th. Even so – Schilling was down 4-2.

Relievers Dave Williams and Mike Timlin would mow down the Sioux 1-2-3 in the 7th. Jason Giambi led off the Mauler 7th with his 2nd HR of the game – giving Cook County a 5-2 lead. Vlad took Schilling to the wall with the next at bat – but it was hauled in by Randy Winn. Having seen enough of Schilling looking a bit tired and not wanting to extend him – Weltz brought in specialist Chris Nighting to face a couple of lefty hitters. Kolb countered with Todd Greene who made good contact but also flew out, and Kenny Lofton ended the inning on another flyout.

Down 5-2 the Sioux were lifted by a leadoff triple by Mike Bordick against Timlin. Jose Valentin could not deliver though – and struck out. Bernie Williams followed with a fly out deep enough to score Bordick and make the game 5-3 Maulers. Randy Winn managed a 2 out walk, so the Maulers went to perennial World Series tough guy Mariano Rivera to put down the rally. Having not pitched in a few

days Rivera could certainly attempt to get the final 4 outs. But the rest must have hurt. Jeff Kent scratched a single to put runners on 1st and 2nd. Ryan Klesko was up next and also scratched a single but no RBI to go with it – so the bases became loaded for Rafael Palmeiro. DEEP he would go and blast a grand slam off Rivera! This gave Stanley a 7-5 lead and quieted the heretofore happy Mauler crowd. Rivera remained in the game but was definitely shaken – an infield single by Dye to the pitcher was also thrown into the stands to give Dye 2nd base. Kolb had seen too much – and summoned Eddie Guardado into the game. Paul LoDuca greeted Guardado with a 2 out run scoring single to give the Sioux an 8-5 lead. Mike Bordick, who started the 8th with a triple, ended the 8th by striking out. The Sioux had managed to bat around in the 8th and score 6 (A similar game 2 rally occurred in the 7th against Ocala – the game 2 magic continued for Stanley).

Stanley immediately went to lefty Chris Hammond (3-2, 6sv, 1.97 ERA) to start the 8th. After retiring Steve Finley and PH Troy Glaus, Doug Mirabelli hit a 2 out double which was followed by Alfonso Soriano's own 2 out double to make the score 8-6 Stanley. With Shig Hasegawa and Jose Mesa ready, Stanley stuck with Hammond to face Nomar. Garciaparra made good contact but it ended in a lineout to end the Mauler 8th.

Trying to add insurance, the Sioux went quietly in a 1-2-3 top of the 9th. Weltz decided to stick with Hammond, and would be rewarded with the decision. Giambi flew out, Guerrero fouled out, and Greene struck out to finish the game. Stanley had done the unthinkable and taken two straight games on the road.

[1]BOXSCORE: 2003 Stanley Sioux At 2003 Cook County Maulers 11/2/2003

[1] Sioux	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	Maulers	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG
B.Williams LF	4	1	2	1	.286	A.Soriano 2B	5	0	1	1	.236
R.Winn CF	4	1	1	0	.250	N.Garciaparra SS	5	1	1	0	.294
J.Kent 2B	4	1	1	0	.125	J.Giambi 1B	5	2	3	3	.447
R.Klesko DH	4	2	2	2	.250	V.Guerrero RF	5	0	3	0	.365
R.Palmeiro 1B	4	1	1	3	.250	J.Thome DH	2	0	0	0	.303
E.Perez RF	2	0	0	0	.000	D-T.Greene PH	2	0	0	0	.000
C-J.Dye PH,RF	2	1	1	0	.333	M.Piazza C	3	0	1	0	.111
P.Lo Duca C	4	0	2	1	.500	A-K.Lofton PR,LF	1	1	0	0	.267
M.Bordick SS	4	1	1	0	.143	S.Finley CF	4	1	1	2	.200
J.Valentin 3B	3	0	1	0	.167	D.Relaforf 3B	2	0	0	0	.000
E-A.Sheets 3B	1	0	0	0	.000	F-T.Glaus PH,3B	1	0	0	0	.108
						C.Everett LF	3	0	1	0	.333
						B-D.Mirabelli C	1	1	1	0	1.000
[1] Totals		36	8	12	7	Totals		39	6	12	6

A-Pinch Ran For Piazza In 6th Inning
 B-Subbed Defensively (C) For Everett In 7th Inning
 C-Pinch Hit For Perez In 7th Inning
 D-Pinch Hit For Thome In 7th Inning
 E-Subbed Defensively (3B) For Valentin In 8th Inning
 F-Pinch Hit For Relaford In 8th Inning

Sioux..... 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 6 0 - 8 12 1
 Maulers..... 1 0 1 0 0 2 1 1 0 - 6 12 1

[1]Sioux	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	ERA	SCORESHEET
C.Schilling	6 1/3	10	5	5	1	6	3	7.11	A1 D4
C.Nichting WIN(1-0)	0 2/3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	D5 D6
C.Hammond SAVE(1st)	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	4.50	D7
[1]Totals	9	12	6	6	1	8	3		

[1]Maulers	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	ERA	SCORESHEET
T.Glavine	5	6	2	2	0	2	1	3.42	A1 C2
A.Osuna BS(1st)	0 2/3	0	0	0	0	0	0	5.40	C3 C3

D.Williams	0 2/3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	C4	C5
M.Timlin HOLD(1st)	1 1/3	1	2	2	1	2	0	6.00	C6	D2
M.Rivera L(2-1) BS(1st)	0	4	4	3	0	0	1	7.71	D3	D6
E.Guardado	1 1/3	1	0	0	0	3	0	0.00	D7	
[1]Totals	9	12	8	7	1	7	2			

ATTENDANCE- 46,560 DATE- TIME- Day WEATHER- Average

T- 3:02

LEFT ON BASE- Sioux: 3 Maulers: 8

DOUBLE PLAYS- Sioux: 0 Maulers: 2

ERRORS- J.Valentin, M.Rivera

DOUBLES- A.Soriano(2nd), N.Garciaparra(6th), C.Everett(2nd), D.Mirabelli(1st)

TRIPLES- M.Bordick(1st)

HOME RUNS- R.Klesko(1st), R.Palmeiro(1st), J.Giambi-2(8th), S.Finley(3rd)

STOLEN BASES- B.Williams(1st), K.Lofton(5th), D.Relafor(1st)

SACRIFICE FLIES- B.Williams

WALKS- R.Winn, J.Thome

HIT BY PITCH- D.Relafor

STRIKE OUTS- R.Winn, E.Perez, J.Dye, M.Bordick, J.Valentin-2, A.Sheets,
A.Soriano, N.Garciaparra, J.Giambi, J.Thome, T.Greene, S.Finley,
T.Glaus, C.Everett

GIDP- J.Kent-2

Cook County @ Stanley, WS game 3

Game 3 would bring fresh scenery to both teams. Could the Sioux continue their World Series success? Or would the Maulers rebound on the road?

Lefty Jamey Moyer (16-10, 3.82) would start for the Maulers against off injured Sioux starter Woody Williams (11-4, 3.27). The Sioux crowd had barely been seated when Nomar Garciaparra hit a 1 out single and was immediately sent scurrying to the plate on a long double by the Sioux killer Jason Giambi. Cook County had quieted the crowd – and Moyer was successful in limiting the Sioux to only 1 base runner in three innings – that being an early error by Alfonso Soriano.

After 2 quiet outs in the 4th, Mike Piazza extended the Mauler lead to 2-0 with a solo HR. After a slow trot around the bases, Williams would not retaliate and with any inside pitches but went a little wild and walked Steve Finley. Finley went immediately toward 2nd but was called out on a disputed close call.

Stanley got its first hit with a one out single by Jeff Kent in the bottom of the fourth. Ryan Klesko took advantage of Moyer working from the stretch and blasted a 2 run HR to tie the game.

The HR balls continued with Mike Bordick leading off the bottom of the 5th with a HR, and 2 outs later Randy Winn added another solo shot to make it 4-2 Sioux. Cook County wouldn't give up though – and Mike Piazza hit a solo HR in the top of the 7th to close the gap to 4-3. After striking out Steve Finley for the 2nd out of the 7th, Wertz went to the bullpen and brought in Shig Hasegawa to finish the inning. A leadoff single by defensive replacement Andy Sheets chased Moyer in the bottom half. Mike Timlin was summoned to keep the game close. After getting Bernie Williams on a pop out and Randy Winn on a force out, Jeff Kent doubled and advanced to third on the close play at the plate which scored one. Ryan Klesko continued his hot streak with an RBI double to make it 6-3 Sioux. The Sioux would take on another in the bottom of the 8th to make it 7-3 and Cook County wouldn't recover in this game to go down 3-0 in the series.

[1]BOXSCORE: 2003 Cook County Maulers At 2003 Stanley Sioux 11/4/2003

[1] Maulers	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	Sioux	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG
A.Soriano 2B	4	0	2	0	.500	B.Williams LF	5	0	0	0	.235
N.Garciaparra SS	4	1	1	0	.250	R.Winn CF	5	2	1	1	.218
J.Giambi 1B	4	0	1	1	.250	J.Kent 2B	4	2	2	1	.357

V.Guerrero RF	4	0	0	0	.000	R.Klesko RF	4	1	2	3	.226
J.Thome DH	4	0	1	0	.250	B-J.Dye RF	0	0	0	0	.143
M.Piazza C	4	2	2	2	.500	R.Palmeiro 1B	2	0	1	0	.162
S.Finley CF	2	0	0	0	.000	O.Saenz DH	4	0	0	0	.333
T.Glaus 3B	3	0	0	0	.000	P.Lo Duca C	3	1	1	0	.250
A.Hyzdu LF	3	0	1	0	.333	M.Bordick SS	3	1	1	1	.289
						J.Valentin 3B	2	0	0	0	.231
						A-A.Sheets 3B	2	0	2	1	.313
[1] Totals	32	3	8	3		Totals	34	7	10	7	

A-Subbed Defensively (3B) For Valentin In 7th Inning
B-Subbed Defensively (RF) For Klesko In 8th Inning

Maulers..... 1 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 - 3 8 1
Sioux..... 0 0 0 2 2 0 2 1 - 7 10 0

[1]Maulers	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	ERA	SCORESHEET
J.Moyer LOSS(0-1)	6	6	5	5	2	3	3	7.50	A1 C9
M.Timlin	1	2	1	1	1	0	0	9.00	D1 D6
A.Osuna	1	2	1	1	0	1	0	9.00	D7
[1]Totals	8	10	7	7	3	4	3		

[1]Sioux	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	ERA	SCORESHEET
W.Williams WIN(1-1)	6 2/3	6	3	3	1	7	2	5.50	A1 C7
S.Hasegawa HOLD(2nd)	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0.00	C8 D2
C.Hammond SAVE(3rd)	1 1/3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.86	D3
[1]Totals	9	8	3	3	1	8	2		

ATTENDANCE- 45,547 DATE- TIME- Night
T- 2:43

LEFT ON BASE- Maulers: 3 Sioux: 7
DOUBLE PLAYS- Maulers: 0 Sioux: 1

ERRORS- A.Soriano

DOUBLES- A.Soriano(1st), J.Giambi(1st), J.Kent(5th), R.Klesko(3rd)

HOME RUNS- M.Piazza-2(2nd), R.Winn(1st), R.Klesko(5th), M.Bordick(2nd)

CAUGHT STEALING- A.Soriano, S.Finley

SACRIFICE HITS- M.Bordick

WALKS- S.Finley, R.Palmeiro-2, P.Lo Duca

STRIKE OUTS- N.Garciaparra, J.Giambi, V.Guerrero, J.Thome, S.Finley-2,
A.Hyzdu-2, R.Winn, O.Saenz, M.Bordick, J.Valentin

GIDP- M.Piazza

Cook County at Stanley WS game 4

With momentum on their side – the Sioux sent game 1 winner Randy Johnson back to the mound to face off against Mauler knuckleballer Tim Wakefield (12-5, 3.43). The Unit started off the game with consecutive K's to fire up the crowd. A 2 base error by Jose Valentin allowed Jason Giambi to reach second, but Johnson got Guerrero to ground out to end the threat. A one out double by the hot Ryan Klesko put a runner on for Jeff Kent, who promptly knocked him in to give the Sioux a 1-0 edge. Wakefield settled down and struck out the next two batters. Mike Piazza led off the 2nd and touched Johnson for a deep HR to tie the score. A 2 base error by Troy Glaus in the bottom of the inning proved costly as Mike Bordick delivered a 2 out double to knock in Jose Valentin with an unearned run and a 2-1 Sioux lead.

Both pitchers were in control until the bottom of the fifth when Wakefield lost control of the knuckler. Mike Bordick led off with a single. After a slow roller by Bernie Williams advanced Bordick to second, Ryan Klesko launched a blast over the CF wall to boost the lead to 4-1. Jeff Kent immediately followed with a blast of his own to chase Wakefield who left down 5-1.

The Maulers could not answer in the top of the 6th, and the wheels kept coming apart for the Mauler defense and pitchers in the bottom half of the 6th. Jose Valentin led off with a solo HR. Randy Winn followed with a single and advanced on another Glaus error. Two outs later reliever Eddie Guardado hit Bernie Williams which seemed to be in retaliation for some of the earlier beanings in the series. However this HBP proved costly as Ryan Klesko and Jeff Kent each followed with 2 out RBI singles to boost the Sioux lead to 8-1.

After 2 quick outs in the top of the 7th Johnson seemed destined to once again finish what he started. But a triple by Garciaparra, a walk to Lofton, and then a 3 run shot by Alfonso Soriano brought the Maulers back within striking distance at 8-4 and chased the Unit from the game. Mike Fyhrie came in to face Steve Finley who promptly singled, but was thrown out at first after rounding the bag too far. It would turn out to just be one of those series for the Maulers.

Stanley added insurance with a 2 out triple by Randy Winn in the 7th who then scored on a wild pitch. Sioux reliever Shig Hasegawa took care of the Maulers in the 8th. Sensing a need to hold the Sioux at 8-4 the Maulers went with Mariano Rivera to hold the Sioux in the 8th, but Ryan Klesko continued his MVP drive with his 2nd HR of the game and 4th of the series to make it 10-4 Sioux.

Hasegawa finished the 9th to complete the unbelievable Sioux sweep in 4 games.

[1]BOXSCORE: 2003 Cook County Maulers At 2003 Stanley Sioux 11/5/2003

[1] Maulers	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	Sioux	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG
A.Soriano 2B	4	1	1	3	.375	B.Williams LF	4	1	0	0	.218
S.Finley CF	4	0	1	0	.167	R.Klesko DH	5	3	4	4	.276
J.Giambi 1B	2	0	0	0	.167	J.Kent 2B	5	1	3	3	.377
V.Guerrero RF	4	0	0	0	.000	R.Palmeiro 1B	4	0	0	0	.146
M.Piazza C	3	1	1	1	.429	J.Dye RF	4	0	0	0	.128
J.Thome DH	4	0	1	0	.250	J.Valentin 3B	3	2	2	1	.276
T.Glaus 3B	4	0	1	0	.143	A-A.Sheets 3B	1	0	0	0	.294
N.Garciaparra SS	4	1	1	0	.250	R.Winn CF	4	2	2	0	.237
K.Lofton LF	3	1	1	0	.333	P.Lo Duca C	4	0	0	0	.227
						M.Bordick SS	4	1	2	1	.310
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[1] Totals		32	4	7	4	Totals		38	10	13	9

A-Subbed Defensively (3B) For Valentin In 7th Inning

Maulers..... 0 1 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 - 4 7 2
Sioux..... 1 1 0 0 3 3 1 1 - 10 13 1

[1]Maulers	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	ERA	SCORESHEET
T.Wakefield LOSS(0-1)	4 1/3	7	5	4	0	3	2	8.31	A1 C3
E.Guardado	1 1/3	4	3	3	0	2	1	20.25	C4 D3
M.Stanton	1 1/3	1	1	1	0	0	0	6.75	D4 D8
M.Rivera	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	9.00	D9
[1]Totals	8	13	10	9	0	6	4		

[1]Sioux	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	ERA	SCORESHEET
R.Johnson WIN(5-0)	6 2/3	5	4	4	2	10	2	3.79	A1 D1
M.Fyhrie	0 1/3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0.00	D2 D3
S.Hasegawa	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0.00	D4
[1]Totals	9	7	4	4	4	10	2		

ATTENDANCE- 47,838 DATE- TIME- Day
T- 3:00
LEFT ON BASE- Maulers: 5 Sioux: 5
DOUBLE PLAYS- Maulers: 0 Sioux: 2
ERRORS- T.Glaus-2, J.Valentin
DOUBLES- R.Klesko(4th), M.Bordick(3rd)
TRIPLES- N.Garciaparra(1st), R.Winn(1st)

HOME RUNS- A.Soriano(1st), M.Piazza(3rd), R.Klesko-2(7th), J.Kent(7th),
 J.Valentin(4th)
 STOLEN BASES- K.Lofton(1st), J.Valentin(1st)
 WALKS- J.Giambi-2, M.Piazza, K.Lofton
 HIT BY PITCH- B.Williams
 STRIKE OUTS- A.Soriano-2, S.Finley-3, V.Guerrero-2, J.Thome-2, N.Garciaparra,
 J.Kent, R.Palmeiro, J.Dye-2, M.Bordick-2
 GIDP- V.Guerrero, N.Garciaparra
 WILD PITCHES- M.Stanton

Congratulations to Kevin on a fine season. His powerful lineup and great team made this first World Series title for me all the more special, as I'm sure not many managers (including myself) could have envisioned a 4 game series with the Sioux winning.

Ryan Klesko was named MVP going 8 for 17, 9 RBI, 6 runs, 4 HR performance. Honorable mention goes to Randy Johnson with wins in game 1 & 4, including an amazing 10 inning performance with Mauler ace Pedro Martinez in game 1.

Iowa and Columbus under New Management

The Iowa Rubes and Columbus Buckeyes are now under new management. Effective immediately, the Iowa team has been moved to New Hampshire and will be known as the Derry Heifers. Henry Vance has taken over leadership of this talented team. His e-mail is lambicman@comcast.net. Rene Custeau, the new owner of Columbus, is still researching all possible destinations for his ball club. You can reach Rene at the following e-mail, rcusteau@maine.rr.com.

Raw Draft Order

1. Plaza	7. Brooklyn	13.LaCrosse	19.Minnesota
2. Hessville	8. Bloomington	14.GemCity	20.Springfield
3. Charlevoix	9. NorthGeorgia	15.Iowa	21.Bakersfield
4. Metropolis	10. Moline-*	16.Fleetwood	22.Ocala
5. BoxCity	11. Columbus-*	17.SantaBarbara	23.Cook County
6. PortRichey	12. Toledo	18.GlenAllen	24.Stanley

* indicates these two teams tied and will alternate their positions in each round

Trades

19. Fleetwood trades Frank Catalanotto to Gem City for Gem City's 2004 2nd round draft choice and Gem City's 2004 4th round draft choice.
20. North Georgia trades Eric Gagne, Brian Jordan and \$500,000 to Metropolis for Brandon Duckworth and Tim Redding.
21. Minnesota trades Ricky Rincon, Mark Guthrie and Tim Worrell to Metropolis for Kevin Cash and Metropolis' 2004 3rd round draft choice.
22. Minnesota trades Scott Williamson to Santa Barbara for Darren Dreifort and Joe Valentine.
23. Toledo trades Brett Tomko, Raul Ibanez and Billy Traber to Box City for Esteban Loaiza.

Upcoming League Deadlines

December 15 th	Free Agent Signing Report sent out by Free Agency Conductor.
December 20 th	Rosters (including Free Agent signings) sent out by the League Director.

Articles

None this month (other than Paul's World Series Recap)