







Illinois Coaches Association

Hall of Fame Banquet



Sunday, February 18, 2018

1:00 p.m.

The Chateau Bloomington, Illinois

2018 ICA Banquet Agenda		ICA Softball
12:00	Social	Website www.icasoftball.org
1:00	Lunch	Twitter @ica_softball
1:45	 Presentations IESA Class 1A & 2A SIJHSAA Class L & M IHSA Class 1A, 2A, 3A & 4A Umpire Hall of Fame Sportswriter of the Year Coaches Hall of Fame 	Facebook https://www.facebook.com/ICASoftball Polls All State Teams
3:00	Closing Comments	Coach of the Year Hall of Fame
		Open Dates
		And More

2018 ICA 1A Pre-Season Poll

- 1. Goreville
- 2. Princeville
- 3. Heyworth
- 4. Calhoun
- 5. Camp Point Central
- 6. Galva
- 7. Somonauk
- 8. Ottawa (Marquette)
- 9. Dakota
- 10. Strasburg (Stewardson-S.) [Coop]
- 11. Dwight
- 12. New Athens
- 13. Toledo (Cumberland)
- 14. Altamont
- 15. Springfield (Calvary) [Coop]
- 16. Brussels
- 17. Orangeville
- 18. Ashton (A.-Franklin Center)
- 19. Amboy
- 20. Granville (Putnam County)

Others Receiving Consideration: Lena (L.-Winslow), Milledgeville, Lanark (Eastland), Glasford (Illini Bluffs), Pearl City, Peoria (P. Christian), Abingdon (A.-Avon), Fisher, LeRoy

2018 ICA 2A Pre-Season Poll

- 1. Beecher
- 2. St. Joe Ogden
- 3. Herscher
- 4. Williamsville
- 5. Rockridge
- 6. Eureka
- 7. Morrison
- 8. Bishop Mac
- 9. Pinckneyville
- 10. Reed Custer
- 11. Bloomington Central Catholic
- 12. Sherrard
- 13. Casey Westfield
- 14. Tuscola
- 15. Seneca
- 16. Flora
- 17. Brimfield
- 18. Nashville
- 19. Sterling Newman
- 20. Harrisburg

Others Receiving Consideration: Gillespie, Olympia, Maroa Forsyth, Spring Valley Hall, Illini West, Dupo, Johnson City, Teutopolis, IC Catholic, Tri City, Breese Mater Dei, Robinson, Waltonville

2018 ICA 3A Pre-Season Poll

- 1. Marengo
- 2. Sterling
- 3. Montini
- 4. Nazareth
- 5. Burlington Central
- 6. Kaneland
- 7. Wheaton (St. Francis)
- 8. Arlington Heights (St. Viator)
- 9. Richmond Burton
- 10. Woodstock North
- 11. Oak Forest
- 12. Tinley Park
- 13. Providence Catholic
- 14. Freeport
- 15. Washington
- 16. Aurora (Central Catholic)
- 17. Highland
- 18. Antioch
- 19. Manteno
- 20. Stillman Valley

Others Receiving Consideration: Grayslake Central, Genoa Kingston, Glenbard South, Ridgewood, East Peoria, Rochester, Chatham Glenwood, Sycamore, Mt. Zion, Mattoon, Herrin, Lemont, Columbia

2018 ICA 4A Pre-Season Poll

- 1. Oak Park (O.P.-River Forest)
- 2. Frankfort (Lincoln-Way East)
- 3. Barrington
- 4. Chicago (Marist)
- 5. Belleville (East)
- 6. St. Charles (North)
- 7. Aurora (West Aurora)
- 8. Gurnee (Warren)
- 9. Lockport
- 10. Downers Grove (North)
- 11. Orland Park (Sandburg)
- 12. Edwardsville
- 13. St. Charles (East)
- 14. Normal (Community West)
- 15. Huntley
- 16. Libertyville
- 17. Geneva
- 18. Plainfield (North)
- 19. Oswego (East)
- 20. New Lenox (Lincoln-Way Central)

Others Receiving Consideration: Rock Island, Springfield (Sacred Heart-Griffin), East Moline (United), Joliet (West), Plainfield (East), Moline, LaGrange (Lyons Township), Palatine (Fremd), Palatine, Hoffman Estates (Conant), Normal (Community), Bartlett, Plainfield (Central), Elmhurst (York), Crystal Lake (South), Chicago (Mother McAuley), Tinley Park (Andrew), Bradley (B.-Bourbonnais), O'Fallon, River Forest (Trinity), Downers Grove (South), Arlington Heights (Hersey), Elk Grove Village (E.G.), Fox Lake (Grant), Machesney Park (Harlem), Alton, Palos Heights (Shepard), Batavia, Chicago (Lane Tech)

Hall of Fame Coaches

Lori Blade (Edwardsville HS)

Marissa Chovanec (Lockport HS)

Bob Pettit (Geneseo HS)

Anne Campbell (Plainfield Central HS)

Hall of Fame Umpires

Scott Sobeski (Elgin)

Bruce Mayhew (Marion)

Chris Schaefer (Chicago)

Linda Wilson (Jacksonville)

Roger Pfister (Murphysboro)

Sportswriter of the Year

Alex Kantecki (Northwest Herald)



IESA Class 1A

Jenifer Schafer (Illini Bluffs)
Dalton McFarland (Casey)

IESA Class 2A

Mitch Stein (Hickory Creek)
Patrick Vaughan (Germantown Hills)

SIJHSAA Class L

Kim Cook (Murphysboro)
Joy Neal (Marion)

SIJHSAA Class M

Jeremy Schmittling (Smithton)

Drew Franklin (Trico)

SIJHSAA Class S

Allison Keith (Elverado)
Matt Knox (Woodlawn)

IHSA Class 1A

Brittany Holsapple (Strasburg)
Chad Gardner (Princeville)
Jatt Baalman (Calhoun)
Rosemary Briesch (Woodlands Ac.)
Doug Hageman (LeRoy)
David Tkach (Marquette)
Shanna Massey (Goreville)
Galen Slover (Oblong)

IHSA Class 2A

John Nelson (Rockridge)
Trent Schalk (Lisle)
John Kiselewski (Waltonville)
Randy Wolken (St. Joseph Ogden)
Kevin Hayhurst (Beecher)
Mindy Ashbaugh (Williamsville)
Tammy Deter (Morrison)
Leonard Sementi (Tuscola)

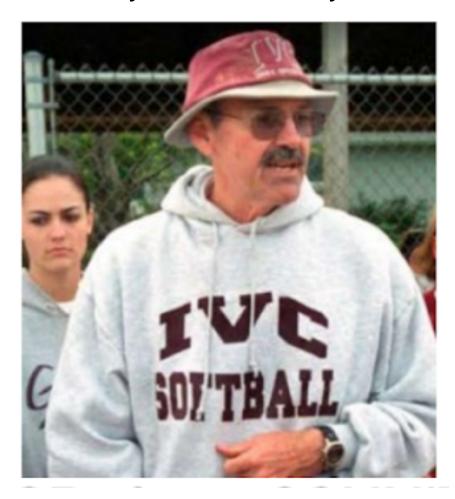
IHSA Class 3A

Chris Traina (Lemont)
Jim Kowzan (Herrin)
Greg Blakey (Mt. Zion)
Ralph Remus (St. Francis)
Denee Menzione (East Peoria)
Katy Dammer (Oak Forest)
Dwain Nance (Marengo)
Jason Schaal (Grayslake Central)

IHSA Class 4A

Molly Freeman (Hersey)
Lori Blade (Edwardsville)
James Fabianski (Sandburg)
Marissa Chovanec (Lockport)
Mel Kolbusz (Oak Park River Forest)
Greg Dierks (Geneva)
Perry Peterson (Barrington)
Jarod Gutesha (St. Charles East)

Thank You **Greg Easter** for your Years of Service to the ICA. We would not be here today if it was not for you.



2018 Greg Easter Invitational

May 11 - 12

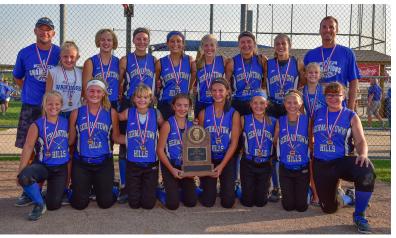
Barrington (Field of Dreams)

Congratulations Coach Patrick Vaughan!!!









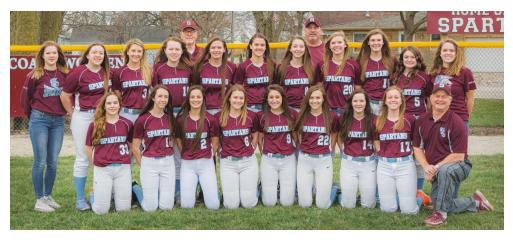
Thank you for all your amazing leadership and dedication!

Go Germantown Hills Warriors

2017 IESA Class 2A Coach of the Year

<u>Congratulations</u> <u>Coach Randy Wolken</u>

2017 IHSA Class 2A Coach of the Year

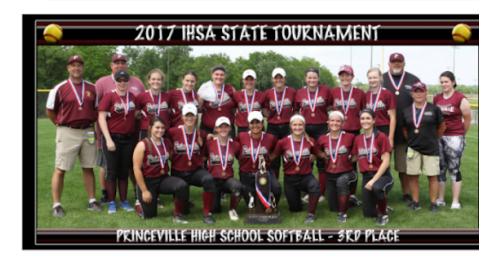


1012 Wins and Counting.....

2017 IHSA Class 2A State Runner Ups



Congratulations
Coach Chad Gardner
2017 ICA Sectional
Coach of the Year!



Princeville High School Softball Coaching Career Bio

- Head Coach 2013 Present
- Assistant Coach 2010 2012
- 137-39 Head Coaching Record
- 3 Lincoln Trail Conference Championships
 - 5 Regional Championships
 - 3 Sectional Championships
 - 3 Elite 8 Appearances
 - Elite 8 Championship 2016, 2017
 - State Appearance 2016, 2017
 - State Runner-Up 2016
 - State 3rd Place 2017

Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication. Princeville Sports Boosters



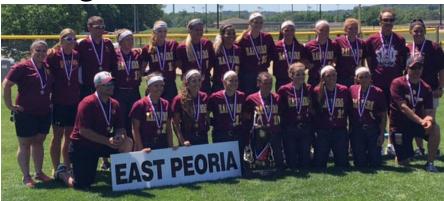
<u>Congratulations</u> <u>Smithton School</u> 2017 SIJHSAA Class M



Coach Jeremy Schmittling Coach of the Year



Congrats Coach Menzione!

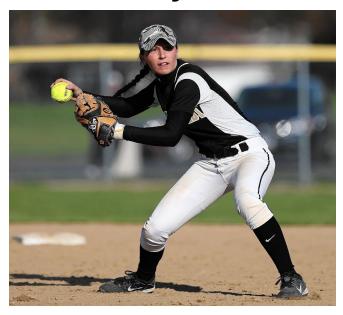


On behalf of the athletic department as well as all of EPCHS, congratulations on this honor and for the countless other attributes you provide the students at East Peoria Community High School!

We are lucky to have you.



<u>Congratulations</u> <u>Coach Katy Dammer</u>



2017 IHSA Class 3A Sectional Coach of the Year



Thanks for leading the Bengal program. You have done an amazing job!!!





Congratulations to Coach Marissa Chovanec on her induction into the Illinois Softball Coaches Association Hall of Fame. All Porters are proud of you!

From The Lockport Township High School Athletic Department

In 15 seasons, Chovanec's teams have gone 408-140-2 for a .745 winning percentage, with 11 regional titles and two sectional titles. Her teams have played in six sectional championship games. Under Chovanec, the Porters also have reached state twice, highlighted by winning the Class AA state championship in 2004. As an assistant, Chovanec also made three other state appearances, winning the Class AA state title in 1997 and placing third in Class AA in 1999. Her tenure as the head coach has produced three seasons of 30 wins or more, four 29-win seasons and 12 seasons of 25 wins or more.

Along the way, Chovanec always paid homage to her influences. Her dad was her first coach. Her younger sister, Ali, was her pitcher at Rantoul and then at St. Francis. She took lessons in high school from St. Joe Ogden's Randy Wolken and Casey-Westfield's Denny Throneburg and played for Terry Workman, Ray Smith and Dick Hood at Rantoul. She played softball under Dick and Ernie Smith and Bruce Foote at St. Francis, but also watched how baseball coaches Gordie Gillespie and Tony Delgado went about their business. At Lockport, Burk handled the motivational aspects like giving out "gum for gumption," allowing Chovanec the experience of doing what she calls "lesson plans" for practice. The nuts and bolts, the details, the time management, the fundamentals. And now, she's coaching with and against players that she once coached.

"It's the kids and the relationships, and teaching them the values and standards that were taught to me," Chovanec said. "That's what I get the most out of coaching. It's the discipline and the learning to be a better player as well as being a better person. Those are the important things. It goes beyond the numbers because I've never been a 'records' person. It's about developing great people, great teams."

Biography Excerpt Written By: Bill Scheibe, Suburban Sports Editor, Chicago Tribune Media Group







Coach Marissa Chovanec

Congratulations to All Award Winners!!! JOIN THE ICA!!!

