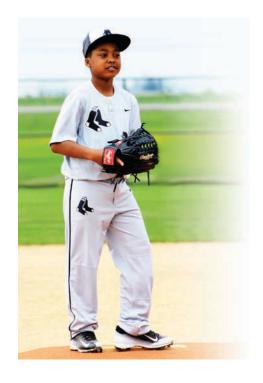


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### **GMACF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

We have grown!! Thanks to the outstanding support of our generous donors, we've expanded our scholarship program tremendously in the past year. We exceede the plan by 68% and also added young ladies from the softball program.

The foundation is excited to report that twenty-two of our players are involved in this year's summer teams at the dome. Eight of our young ladies are team members of TaylorMade Softball, three of our young men will represent the foundation on UDawg's teams, and ten players are Black Sox team members.

Tryouts are held in late summer for these prestigious spots.

Tyler Thompson, Director of Operations at the dome, remarks, "We are excited about the prospects for this year's teams and expect a high level of competition".

Scholarships are awarded to deserving student athletes for participation in Cangelosi Baseball and TaylorMade Softball at Bo Jackson's Elite Sports Dome in Lockport, Illinois, which offers advanced training. In addition, and most importantly the foundation also provides academic tutoring for our kids.

### **BO'S CORNER**



"Through my foundation I'm trying to, as the great Maya Angelou said, be a rainbow in somebody else's cloud. Everyone who is involved in the foundation is dedicated to our kids and

programs. We work to make deserving kids' lives a little better by providing opportunities for them to be the best that they can be through education and sports training.

I would like to say thank you to our supporters, educators, sponsors and volunteers, it is because of all of you that we can continue to make meaningful differences in the lives of many."



Do you know what my favorite part of the game is?

The opportunity to play.

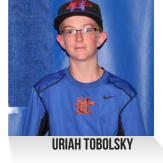
~Mike Singletary

### SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE













- Devon plays on the Rizzo Cubs City All Star's Team that is part of MLB's RBI program. His team was chosen to attend the Chicago Cub's spring training where he took in-field with the Cubs and played against the Arizona All-Star team. The trip highlights were captured in footage by ESPN entitled "Spring Training Surprise." Devon is a junior at Kenwood Academy. He recently made a 28 on his ACT and continues studying to better his score and is the starting 3rd baseman for his high school team.
- Uriah has maintained his high honor roll academically and won the starting position as catcher on the school's varsity team as a sophomore.
- Sultan has committed to Parkview Community College. He's had an outstanding senior year and has thrown back-to-back no-hitters this year while being named to the Pre-Season Central Region Team.
- Demetrius was selected to the USA 2016 14U National Team Development Program. He is one of 12 players nationally to be chosen for the 14U program. Out of 300 participants, he had he second fastest 40 time.

## **EDUCATION WILL TAKE YOU FARTHER**

### **TUTORING OPPORTUNITIES**

A big welcome and many thanks to our tutors this year: Ken Reynolds, Jim Franco and Eugene Eyeson. Our dynamic trio spent the school year tutoring our scholarship participants at the dome.

On Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays our kids participated in everything from grade school studies to advanced math and physics. Eugene even made physics understandable for a novice like me! Ken raised our English game and Jim was all things elementary for our kids.

ACT Training was once again on our tutoring agenda. Six of our student athletes took part in the sessions. Books were purchased, practice tests taken and an edge given in upcoming testing.

We also added a downtown location to the program this year. Liz and Jodi at IIT have been remarkable in their dedication to the foundation. This program will be expanded next year so that tutoring is close to home for many of our student athletes.



Many thanks to our team for an excellent year!

## SEVENTH ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC

The seventh annual Bo Jackson Celebrity Charity Golf Classic held on June 19, 2015, at the prestigious Bolingbrook Golf Club was a tremendous success and we had an amazing turnout.

Guests golfed and mingled with top sport celebrities, radio and TV personalities. The outing was packed with games and raffles, refreshments and an array of prizes and gifts at each hole.

*\$250,000* which helps support the various programs sponsored by the Foundation.









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## REMEMBER TO SAVE THE DATE FOR 2017

Mark your calendar now for **June 30, 2017** 

#### Join us for Bo's Annual Celebrity Charity Golf Classic!

Bo Jackson and the Give Me A Chance Foundation are dedicated to enhancing the lives of Chicago's youth by actively supporting educational and athletic programs that guide deserving kids through their challenges of achieving successful personal and professional growth. Your donations go toward the design and development of programs for deserving youth. With your help, our programs will have a positive and lasting impact on the future of many kids.



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Team sports teach you how to get along with other people.
A true mark of your character, will be in how you treat that person who is the weakest link, when you are the strongest link.

-Chris Jordan



### A WORD FROM THE GMACF PRESIDENT

The essence of Bo Jackson's Give Me a Chance Foundation is to continue enhancing the lives of young people by actively supporting educational and athletic programs that guide our kids through the challenges of achieving successful personal and professional growth.

"The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather in a lack of will"

-Vince Lombardi

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