



BUILDING CHANCES

Bo Jackson - ESPN's All-time Greatest Athlete - has many facets to his life. Many know the public persona and everyone has a favorite Bo moment. Just like the man, Bo's foundation also has many sides and we reach out to help and inspire young men, in pursuit of a life with meaning based in academics and sports.

This summer the foundation held two camps for kids in need. Four area little league teams were able to benefit and joined us for Bo's Baseball and Beyond Summer Camp at the Bo Jackson Elite Sports Dome in Lockport, with 120 boys and girls participating. The children enjoyed four days of expert instruction by Cangelosi Baseball with transportation generously provided by the Illinois School Bus Company and lunch each day.

The foundation also supports a scholarship program for off-season instruction and summer leagues with Cangelosi Baseball. We spend an average of \$1500 per player with our annual awards. From Fall Ball through Spring Training and into the summer with U-Dawgs, our kids receive valuable playing instruction as well as academic tutoring to up their game on and off the field.

Throughout the year we were able to help local underprivileged little league teams, by collecting gently used and new baseball equipment to pass on to programs in need. The foundation also held its first annual little league coaches clinic this spring and we look forward to making this an annual tradition.

Our foundation continues to strive to give kids a chance by continually looking for ways to inspire them to excel.



BO'S CORNER

From the beginning, the cornerstone of my vision was to establish a charitable organization dedicated to enhancing

the lives of youth by actively supporting educational and athletic programs that guide disadvantaged kids through the challenges of achieving successful personal and professional growth.

The driving force behind my dream was to "Give Back"...give back time, understanding, and guidance that so many underprivileged kids never have the chance to experience.



“ ONLY A LIFE LIVED IN THE SERVICE TO OTHERS IS WORTH LIVING. ”

ALBERT EINSTEIN



2013 SUMMER CAMPS

"Awesome!" was Tyler Thompson's response to Summer Camp 2013. Tyler, Director of Baseball Operations for Cangelosi Baseball and his staff worked with our 120 kids from Jackie Robinson West, Brighton Kelly, Harvey and Southside Little League teams.

During the camps that lasted two days each, the kids were instructed by Cangelosi Baseball in a variety of skills. The batting cages were busy and a great learning experience. Infield work included instruction in forehands, backhands, slow-rollers and double plays. When the kids moved to the outfield, proper crowhops, drop steps and finding the wall were reviewed. Base running was exciting to watch and the children took a few harmless tumbles, but kept on moving!

Snacks and lunch were served each day and we offer a big shout out to all of the volunteers that helped. Also, many thanks to our scholarship guys who assisted the Cangelosi staff with camp instruction. Our kids reported that it was "neat to be called coach!"

One final thank you to our camp donors: Wal-Mart, Target, Mariano's and Jewel.

The four days of camp at the Bo Jackson Elite Sports Dome, were magic for the kids and they can't wait for 2014.



GOOD READS

Great Expectations

by Charles Dickens

As a small boy, Pip meets two people who will affect his whole life:

Magwitch, an escaped convict he is forced to help, and Miss Havisham, whose beautiful, but cold ward Estella young Pip adores. In a mysterious churchyard, orphan Pip gives food to Magwitch and unknowingly sets forth the events of his life.

Over time Pip receives riches and from a mysterious benefactor, abandons his friends for high society and great expectations, and gains an education through misfortune and sorrow.



SUMMER UPDATE FROM OUR GUYS!

Joe Lucas

Joe played for the RBI's Chicago Cubs All-Star Traveling Team and was a leader for his team all season long. He was instrumental in leading his team to win the RBI Regional Tournament held in St. Louis. At the bottom of the 7th inning, Joe smashed a two-run homer to win the series and advance his team to the RBI World Series hosted in Minnesota!

Jalin McMillan

Jalin was named July Player of the Month for the Chicago White Sox ACE Team!

Rashid Shepard

This summer Rashid played with Northbrook Braves 19U Summer Team. He finished as the Best Overall Offensive Player! He led the team in hits, walks, RBI, runs scored, and finished 2nd in home runs, stolen bases, and batting average.

Deandre Williams

Deandre plays for Harvey Little League and led the team in home runs and on-base percentage. Much improvement in his hitting and fielding was achieved in the Fall Ball League with Cangelosi Baseball.

FIFTH ANNUAL CELEBRITY CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC

The fifth annual Bo Jackson Celebrity Charity Golf Classic held on June 21, 2013, at the prestigious Bolingbrook Golf Club was a success and we had a fantastic turnout.

Guests golfed and mingled with sport celebrities and radio and TV personalities. The outing was packed with raffles, refreshments, a reception and a live and silent auction.

The event raised \$200,000 which helps support the valuable camps, leagues and tutoring programs sponsored by the foundation.

Special thanks to Nike, our Platinum, and Gold sponsors, the Bolingbrook Golf Club and everyone that made this outing a success! As always, we couldn't do it without you!

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None of our programs are possible without financial support! Your donations go toward the development of programs to enhance the lives of disadvantaged youth by actively supporting educational and athletic programs. Our goal is to help guide our kids through their challenges in order to achieve personal and professional growth.

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A WORD FROM THE GMACF PRESIDENT



The Give Me a Chance Foundation provides hundreds of kids with assistance in after school tutoring, mentoring, and coaching/sports programs to handle many of life's challenges.

Having an opportunity to be a part of the foundation and experiencing the profound change that we make in children's lives, is more gratifying than I can put into words.

“Baseball is a commitment, the foundation's training and tutoring sessions gave me the skills I needed for my first year in college, like managing my time and staying focused. I am going into my second year as an Education Math major with a 3.2 GPA. I know without an education I will not have a successful future. I am happy the foundation gave me a chance, because I would not have the tools or skills without it.”

-Jabari Brown
GMACF Alumni

