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TWO LAKES SHARE GREAT LAKES LEAD

The Great Lakes was the only SABA division lead that changed during December. Zukey Lake and Walled Lake now share the lead, both going 14-8 to pass Evanston. Two rookies sparked the Boll Weevil attack. Ichiro Suzuki hit .351, scoring 19 runs, while Marlon Anderson drove in 22 runs. Veteran Jim Thome added nine homeruns and 17 RBI. The powerful Zukey Lake bullpen racked up fourteen relief points.

Walled Lake had their late acquisition of veteran slugger Mark McGwire pay off, as the big guy hit .298 with 9 homers and 20 RBI in only 13 games. Ruben Rivera was the surprise RBI leader for the Walleyes with 23. Bob Wickman had a perfect month out of the bullpen, saving six games without allowing a run in six appearances.

Charleston continued to have the league's best record, 48-22, and maintained the largest division lead, eleven games over Mudville. Barry Bonds hit .329 with 10 homeruns and 29 RBI to earn Player of the Month honors.

Dixie and Riverside maintained their division leads without any major challenges. Carmel had a strong month, moving into second place in the Carolina Division. In a month where the league hit .242, the Cascades batted .291. Rookie Alfonso Soriano hit .361, Roberto Alomar hit .337, and Mike Sweeney hit .307. Miguel Tejeda added 25 RBI.

SABA STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE CAPITOL CONFERENCE							
GREAT LAKES	W-L	PCT	GB	CONTINENTAL	W-L	PCT	GB
Zukey Lake	39-31	.557		Charleston	48-22	.686	
Walled Lake	39-31	.557		Mudville	37-33	.529	11
Evanston	37-33	.529	2	Red Hook	35-35	.500	13
Green Bay	32-38	.457	7	San Diego	27-43	.386	21
CORNHUSKER	W-L	PCT	GB	CAROLINA	W-L	PCT	GB
Dixie	44-26	.629		Riverside	40-30	.571	
Platte Valley	39-31	.557	5	Carmel	36-34	.514	4
Summit	35-35	.500	9	Oregon	35-35	.500	5
Galveston	27-43	.386	17	Houghton	27-43	.386	13
Greenville	27-43	.386	17	Cleveland	26-44	.371	14
PLAYER OF THE MONTH: BARRY BONDS, CHARLESTON .329 10 HR 29 RBI						9 RBI	
PITCHER OF THE MONTH: CURT SCHILLING, RIVERSIDE 4-0 1.09 ERA 1 SHO					1 SHO		

DECEMBER MVPs BY TEAM

Team	Player	BA	HR	RBI	Pitcher	W-L	ERA	SHO
DX	Jose Vidro	.288	3	12	Danys Baez	2-1	1.26	7 SV
GA	Mark Grace	.320	5	10	Armando Benitez	1-0	1.12	2 SV
GR	Jose Cruz	.247	6	11	Mike Mussina	3-1	2.51	1
PL	Aramis Ramirez	.258	5	24	Brad Penny	3-0	1.86	2
SU	Brad Fullmer	.298	5	16	Randy Johnson	3-0	1.78	1
EV	Jeromy Burnitz	.260	6	15	Terry Adams	2-1	3.75	0
GB	Lance Berkman	.277	6	22	Danny Patterson	3-0	3.55	1 SV
WA	Mark McGwire	.298	9	20	Bob Wickman	0-0	0.00	6 SV
ZU	Marlon Anderson	.247	4	22	Jamie Moyer	3-0	1.41	1
CA	Alfonso Soriano	.361	6	20	Aaron Sele	4-3	4.22	0
CL	Mike Piazza	.271	7	15	Mariano Rivera	0-1	3.12	4 SV
НО	Vladimir Guerrero	.304	9	20	Mike Williams	0-2	4.50	4 SV
OR	Sammy Sosa	.286	8	20	Cory Lidle	2-1	2.74	1
RI	Luis Gonzalez	.298	7	19	Curt Schilling	4-0	1.09	1
CR	Barry Bonds	.329	10	29	Javier Vazquez	3-0	2.75	1
MV	Magglio Ordonez	.282	6	18	Jeff Zimmerman	1-1	3.27	4 SV
RH	Jason Giambi	.353	6	17	Steve Sparks	3-0	2.30	0
SD	Juan Gonzalez	.250	7	14	Mike Morris	1-1	2.45	0