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CLEVELAND, CARMEL SURGING

The Carolina Division race got a lot more interesting in February as both Cleveland and Carmel posted league-best 13-3 records. Coupled with Lawrenceville's 9-7 record, the month ended with the Spiders in a tie for the division lead and the Cascades only three games back. Andruw Jones led the Cleveland attack with a .364 average. Mariano Rivera was his usual bullpen ace and the Spiders got a shutout from veteran Terry Mulholland. Matt Lawton hit .304 with 17 RBI to pace the Cascade offense. He was backed up by Miguel Tejada's .362 batting.

All four division leaders lost ground during February, although the other three leaders retained solid leads. In the Cornhusker Division, Summit had an unusual losing month, going 6-10, which allowed Galveston to pick up five games on them. The Grey Sox hit .285 for the month, well above the league average of .253. Player of the Month Edgardo Alfonzo was the hitting star with a .382 average, 7 HR, and 25 RBI. Alfonzo got plenty of support, especially from Moises Alou (.354, 5 HR, 20 RBI), Nomar Garciaparra (.314, 4 HR, 15 RBI), and Jose Valentin (.302, 15 RBI).

Charleston had a solid 10-6 month, but still lost ground to hot Red Hook. Troy Glaus continued to deliver the long ball for the Turtles (.309, 9 HR, 22 RBI) with help from Richard Hidalgo (.297, 4 HR, 16 RBI). Walled Lake stumbled to a 5-11 month, but their lead seems safe, as none of the other Great Lakes Division teams has a winning record.

SABA STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFI	CAPITOL CONFEREN	CAPITOL CONFERENCE					
GREAT LAKES	W-L	PCT	GB	CONTINENTAL	W-L	PCT	GB
Walled Lake	53-44	.546		Charleston	64-38	.627	
Green Bay	49-53	.480	$6\frac{1}{2}$	Red Hook	57-45	.559	7
Zukey Lake	41-61	.402	141/2	Mudville	49-53	.480	15
Evanston	40-62	.392	15½	San Diego	46-56	.451	18
CORNHUSKER	W-L	PCT	GB	CAROLINA	W-L	PCT	GB
Summit	66-36	.647		Lawrenceville	55-47	.539	
Galveston	58-44	.569	8	Cleveland	55-47	.539	
Dixie	55-47	.539	11	Carmel	52-50	.510	3
Greenville	52-50	.510	14	Houghton	43-59	.422	12
Platte Valley	40-62	.392	26	Oregon	41-61	.402	14
PLAYER OF THE M	.382	7 HR 2	25 RBI				

PITCHER OF THE MONTH: JAY WITASICK, CHARLESTON

FEBRUARY MVPs BY TEAM

Team	Player	BA	HR	RBI	Pitcher	W-L	ERA	SHO
DX	Trot Nixon	.417	6	15	Bartolo Colon	2-0	1.69	1
GR	Jeff Cirillo	.406	2	12	Kenny Rogers	3-1	3.65	0
GA	Edgardo Alfonzo	.382	7	25	Scott Schoeneweis	4-0	3.82	0
PL	Glenallen Hill	.364	6	10	Pete Harnisch	1-2	3.95	0
SU	Frank Thomas	.306	3	18	Glendon Rusch	2-0	3.86	0
EV	Paul Konerko	.300	2	10	Greg Maddux	2-0	3.52	1
GB	Steve Finley	.277	7	16	Kevin Brown	3-1	2.67	1
WA	Quilvio Veras	.353	2	5	Felix Rodriguez	0-0	0.00	3 SV
ZU	Jim Thome	.345	6	16	Brian Meadows	1-1	1.80	1
CA	Matt Lawton	.304	2	17	John Rocker	1-1	2.61	5 SV
CL	Andruw Jones	.364	4	10	Mariano Rivera	2-0	1.80	4 SV
НО	Bobby Abreu	.304	5	10	Gabe White	3-0	1.00	1 SV
LA	Luis Gonzalez	.322	10	19	Woody Williams	2-0	3.91	0
OR	Sammy Sosa	.275	3	12	Dave Veres	1-1	0.00	4 SV
CR	Alex Rodriguez	.434	5	23	Jay Witasick	3-0	2.25	0
MV	Magglio Ordonez	.313	6	16	Justin Speier	0-0	3.72	3 SV
RH	Troy Glaus	.309	9	22	Brian Anderson	3-0	3.81	0
SD	Jeffrey Hammonds	.306	4	8	Billy Koch	0-0	0.00	3 SV