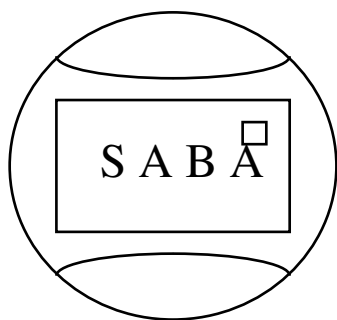
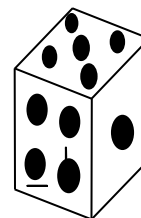




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OREGON THREATENS RIVERSIDE LEAD

The Oregon Ducks, underperforming for most of the year, put together a 12-4 February, jumped past Carmel, and moved within three games of Riverside's Carolina Division lead. The Carolina race is now the closest in SABA.

The Ducks hit 29 homeruns during February, second only to Charleston. Thirdsacker Eric Chavez was the leading batsman, belting 8 homers and driving in 18 runs. He was backed up by Sammy Sosa, who hit six homeruns and collected 12 RBI. Oregon's starting pitching was particularly strong. Their 3.03 ERA was second only to Summit's. Matt Clement earned only two starts, but both were complete game shutouts. Overall, Oregon pitchers tossed four shutouts. Top winners were Barry Zito, 3-1, 3.30 ERA, and Ramon Ortiz, 4-0, 4.76 ERA. They didn't need much bullpen help, but Octavio Dotel filled the role, saving three games with a 3.18 ERA.

Elsewhere Summit, Charleston, and Walled Lake maintained their division leads. The battle for the top seed between the league's last two champions continued to be tight. Charleston currently holds a one game lead over Summit.

Wild card playoff spots are still up for grabs. Dixie and Platte Valley are holding the American Conference spots, with Oregon and Red Hook the Capitol Conference leaders. Mudville is close behind.

SABA STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

GREAT LAKES	W-L	PCT	GB
Walled Lake	52-50	.510	--
Evanston	47-55	.461	5
Green Bay	44-58	.431	8
Zukey Lake	34-68	.333	18

CORNHUSKER	W-L	PCT	GB
Summit	65-37	.637	--
Dixie	54-43	.529	11
Platte Valley	54-48	.529	11
Galveston	48-54	.471	17
Greenville	40-62	.392	25

CAPITOL CONFERENCE

CONTINENTAL	W-L	PCT	GB
Charleston	66-36	.647	--
Red Hook	59-43	.578	7
Mudville	54-48	.529	12
San Diego	48-54	.471	18

CAROLINA	W-L	PCT	GB
Riverside	60-42	.588	--
Oregon	57-45	.559	3
Carmel	51-51	.500	9
Cleveland	49-53	.480	11
Houghton	36-66	.353	24

PLAYER OF THE MONTH: AUBREY HUFF, CHARLESTON
PITCHER OF THE MONTH: CURT SCHILLING, RIVERSIDE

.326 7 HR 22 RBI
4-0 1.91 ERA

TWO NEW MANAGERS FOR 2003

SABA has added two new managers for the 2003 season. Gary Hutton will be taking over the Walled Lake team. His e-mail is: usa_uk_2007@yahoo.co.uk

Dr. Keith Schellenberger (embb@leansixsigmaservices.net) is the other new manager. He hasn't chosen his team yet.

FEBRUARY MVPs BY TEAM

Team	Player	BA	HR	RBI	Pitcher	W-L	ERA	SHO
DX	Carlos Delgado	.325	4	14	Bartolo Colon	3-0	1.69	0
GA	Nomar Garciaparra	.281	7	16	Jon Garland	2-1	4.50	0
GR	Pat Burrell	.200	3	9	Jayson Durocher	2-0	1.50	2 SV
PL	Jeff Conine	.319	6	16	Mike Remlinger	1-0	0.59	8 SV
SU	Brad Fullmer	.322	7	15	Cory Lidle	2-0	0.60	0
EV	Albert Pujols	.382	4	16	Tim Hudson	3-1	2.97	0
GB	Lance Berkman	.262	6	12	J. C. Romero	1-1	1.80	4 SV
WA	Bret Boone	.271	4	13	Tomo Ohka	3-0	1.55	1
ZU	Jim Thome	.277	9	14	Troy Percival	0-1	0.77	2 SV
CA	Eli Marrero	.292	4	13	Jamie Walker	1-1	6.48	4 SV
CL	Gary Sheffield	.262	2	9	Roy Halladay	3-0	3.29	0
HO	Bobby Abreu	.288	4	13	Orlando Hernandez	2-0	3.00	0
OR	Eric Chavez	.246	8	18	Barry Zito	3-1	3.30	1
RI	Manny Ramirez	.323	5	10	Curt Schilling	4-0	1.91	0
CR	Aubrey Huff	.326	7	22	Mark Buehrle	2-0	1.93	1
MV	Bernie Williams	.333	1	8	Russ Ortiz	2-1	2.89	0
RH	Carlos Beltran	.381	3	12	Mark Mulder	2-0	3.00	0
SD	John Olerud	.315	2	9	Carlos Zambrano	2-1	3.12	0