

## 2009 NAFA AA-Major World Series in Bay City, Michigan

After not being able to play a single game on Saturday, the Tournament Committee had the fields ready for play and for the completion of the Double Elimination Bracket. But through all their efforts, it rained again at 4am and the fields were again deluged. The Tournament was converted to a Single Elimination Bracket and two of the teams were unable to continue. Games began at 7am on one field, and at 8 am on the other field. The Championship game was an awesome pitching duel with no earned runs and the only runs scored were on a pickoff play that was just off barely off target. The Championship game was won 2-0 by New Image over Marshall Lightning. Most people expected the two teams that dominated Friday in round robin play to do the same, but in single elimination anything can happen, and it certainly did, with 3 upsets in the quarterfinals. It made the day very exciting.

Thanks to the Host Committee and their leader Heather Bauman and to Shirley Roberts of the Bay County Convention and Visitors Bureau, and to Bay City and Bay County Parks and Recreation and to the Bay City Softball Association for their support.

The umpiring was tremendous and the event was enjoyed by all, despite the weather, and several hundred fans attended the event making it one to remember. Thanks to UIC Steve Vail from Wisconsin and the great umpire staff of Rick Havercrof, Dave Seldon, Joe Squires, Ted Germain, Mike Clark, Jeff Yorke, Mark Larson, Jim Fittrakis, Steve Jahnke, Larry Tait, and Vic Cena.

Thanks to the NAFA Tournament Staff of Vice President, Loren Lathrop, Wisconsin, Dewey Yoke, Washington, and Jan Tokorcheck of Southern California doing the statistical analysis.

Benjie Hedgecock  
Executive Director

### **Final Order of Finish**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – New Image, Wisconsin, 4-1
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Marshall Lightning, Michigan, 4-1
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Munger Softball, Michigan, 2-2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Twisters, Michigan, 1-3
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Hickson Reds, Ontario Canada, 2-1
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Ingersoll Crush, Ontario Canada, 2-1
- 7<sup>th</sup> – Keating Fitness, Pennsylvania, 1-2
- 8<sup>th</sup> – Tiffany's, Michigan, 0-3
- 9<sup>th</sup> – CPI, Ontario, Canada, 1-2
- 10<sup>th</sup> – UTD, Michigan, 0-3

### **Quarter Finals:**

- New Image-2 – Tiffany's-1
  - Winning Pitcher – Bryan Lathrop
  - Losing Pitcher – Pete Loachridge
- Munger Softball-4 – Ingersoll Crush-3
  - Winning Pitcher – Mike Joseph
  - Losing Pitcher – Ryan Cummings
- Marshall Lightning-3 – Hixson Reds-0

Winning Pitcher – Sean Kelly  
 Losing Pitcher – Mark Vanvliet  
 Twisters-7 – Keating Fitness-6  
 Winning Pitcher – Rick Engle  
 Losing Pitcher – Dave Stokes

**Semi-Finals**

New Image-3 – Munger Softball-2  
 Winning Pitcher – Jeremy Holman  
 Losing Pitcher – Mike Joseph

Marshall Lightning-9 – Twisters-2  
 Winning Pitcher – Sean Kelly  
 Losing Pitcher – Rick Engle

**Championship Game**

New Image-2 – Lightning-0  
 Winning Pitcher – Jeremy Holman  
 Losing Pitcher – Sean Kelly

**All-American Team Selections**

Most Valuable Player Jeff Jahn, Catcher, New Image  
 Most Valuable Pitcher, Sean Kelly, Lightning

Name	Team	Avg	RBI	HR
Eric Scott	Ingersoll Crush:2009	700	1	0
Adam Learn	Hickson Reds:2009	667	3	1
Frank Keating Jr	Keating Fitness:2009	500	0	0
Steve Myers	Marshall Lightning:2009	500	4	0
Shea Bryant	Munger Softball:2009	455	1	1
Sean McLaren	Hickson Reds:2009	444	4	2
DJ Latford	Ingersoll Crush:2009	444	2	0
Jeff Jahn	New Image:2009	385	1	0
Todd Moore	Munger Softball:2009	385	0	0
Trevor Kelly	Marshall Lightning:2009	333	2	0
Todd Burlage	New Image:2009	313	4	1
Chris Rivard	Marshall Lightning:2009	267	5	2
Adam Fishbach	Hickson Reds:2009	333	4	2

Name	Team	ERA	SO
Bryon Lathrop	New Image:2009	0.00	12
Sean Kelly	Marshall Lightning:2009	0.49	42
Mike Joseph	Munger Softball:2009	1.59	14
Jeramie Holman	New Image:2009	1.64	29