



IN THE NEWS

April and August, 2008: Former Bulldog, Billy Zitelli Award Winner, and Duke pitcher, Chris Manno, is named Player of the Week by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers.

Thurs., April 24: The National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association, working in conjunction with the St. Petersburg Area Chamber of Commerce, has released the watch list of 50 candidates for the Dick Howser Trophy, given to the top player in collegiate baseball. The 2008 winner will be announced at the College World Series in Omaha on Saturday, June 14.

- Complete release | About the Dick Howser Trophy | Official Site
- Stopper of the Year Midseason Watch List | About the Stopper of the Year Award



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Miami is No. 1

Mon., April 28: With a 36-5 record, the Miami Hurricanes held on to the top spot in the NCBWA Top 30 Poll. With North Carolina and Florida State following the 'Canes, the ACC still has the top three ranked schools in the poll.

- Complete poll
- Div. II Poll | Div. III Poll

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Louisiana-Monroe's Fontenot, Duke's Manno are Pro-Line Athletic National Players of the Week



Dexter Fontenot had 15 RBI this week while Christopher Manno struck out 16 over 7 2/3 innings.



Tues., April 22: The NCBWA released the Pro-Line Athletic National Player of the Week awards. Louisiana-Monroe OF Dexter Fontenot was named National Hitter of the Week, while Duke left-hander Christopher Manno was named National Pitcher of the Week.

- Complete release | Pro-Line Athletic Preseason All-America
- Wed., April 24: Angel, Rubens are Division III Players of the Week

MORE IN AUGUST 2008:



The 78th Pct. Brooklyn Bulldogs instituted the Billy Zitelli Memorial Award in 2001 to honor the memory of one of the first and best Brooklyn Bulldogs players. The annual Zitelli winner, who is chosen each year by the Bulldogs director, is described as follows on this website under the Bulldogs section: **One player from all the Bulldog teams who was the heart and soul of his team - a great competitor, a good winner, a feared opponent, and a good friend. He/she is highly respected by teammates, coaches, and opponents and is a good role model for younger Bulldogs and an inspiration to all.** The first recipient of the award, in 2001, was lefty pitcher Chris Manno, now in college and living up to the spirit of the Zitelli . Chris, 6' 1" and 160lbs., recently completed a very successful sophomore season at Duke University, where he led the team with 80 Ks and a 6-2 record (3.38 ERA) in one of the toughest Division 1 conferences. And this summer Chris played for the Harwich Mariners in the prestigious Cape Cod Baseball League, where he went 2-0 in six starts (2.06 ERA), fanned 40 batters in 35 innings, and was named to the Cape Cod League All Star Game on July 26. Way to go, Chris!!