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I love this game. It has been half century since I started to fall in love with baseball. The romance is still going strong. Playing, coaching, watching, listening, and reading about baseball has been part of my every day life sine I was 15 years old. Even in the dead of winter when baseball is on the back pages of the newspaper I will find out what new development has occurred or who has been signed or traded.

I want to write and read about all types of baseball stories that are inspiring. Why not? Isn't being inspired a great way to live? Isn't offering others an expression of what you love the ultimate gift?

I discovered my need to write and gather inspiring stories about baseball as I drove on route 80 in Northen New Jersey in February 2004. I started thinking about the movies I have seen and the stories I have read that I loved. Like The Lou Gehrig story Pride of the Yankees. or stories about Babe Ruth. Why did I like these stories? What was "My" definition of a great story? I was fixed on finding an answer .I started thinking about the movie Field of Dreams, one of my all time favorites. Why did I like this corny movie so much? Was Field of Dreams a metaphor for living out of your field of dreams? Was creating a clearing done to ALLOW the dreams to show up? In the movie they cleared away a crop of corn to build a baseball field. Do we need to clear away some of our own corn fields to see the dreams that capture our hearts and then create a path to reach those dreams?

It was then I decided to open up a new road for myself. The direction I was meant to travel on. I love baseball. Oh I said that. I love great stories. I said that as well. Let me fuse these two passions, together. Sounds good." I said to myself. I guess I am pretty corny, huh. That is the birth of Baseball's Pride and Joy. Talk about a labor of love. This baby has been living inside me for over 30 years.

What could be better than finding your love and then nurturing it. I have discovered my essence. Pretty good. When I write these words I see that I am on the field I want to play on. While I am not a N Y Yankee, I am playing fantasy baseball through these stories.

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A fantasy I had 40 years ago was to play baseball for the New York Yankees. While I did not make the Yankees or Mets or any other team I have always remained a baseball lover. I am making my fantasy baseball story real by giving people the opportunity to write their Major League baseball story. Whether your story is NCAA Baseball or Minor League Baseball or from high school. It does not matter. Write your inspiring baseball story.

Now I can provide a place for others to tell their tale of baseball inspiration. Tell your Field of Dreams or be like The Natural even if you are The Rookie.

Make your story sing.

Make it vibrant.

Aron Wallad has been a baseball lover for over 40 years. Writing about his favorite subject, baseball, has been a blessing. You will enjoy the heartwarming stories, the unusual statistics and inspiring quotes. But mostly you will love the heartwarming stories that hit a home run to your heart. Join his ezine <http://www.baseballsprideandjoy.com/index.php?tag=goart>

Important Aspects Of A Baseball Coach

By Sintilia Miecevole

Being a baseball coach can be very rewarding. It is a big responsibility, though. You are basically the 'leader' of your team, and how you act will directly affect how the assistant coaches and the players act. There are some tips you can follow to make yourself a better baseball coach. These tips are:

1. Give everyone on your baseball team a responsibility. Make each and every person on the team feel if they don't do something, it won't get done! Any accomplishments made by a member of the team are shared by the whole team. (It is important to give recognition to individuals, though.)
2. Help everyone on your baseball team make good, informed decisions. As the baseball coach, you need to guide and teach the players to make the good decisions you want them to make. Don't bully the baseball team to do what you want them to do, just encourage them to do what is best.
3. Always treat your baseball team like they are winners! If your baseball players feel like winners, they will be more likely to win.
4. Let everyone on your baseball team know you care. Be interested in every individual baseball player. Encourage them and show them your support. Look at your behavior around your baseball team and evaluate it carefully.
5. Help your baseball team understand the meaning of playing with good sportsmanship! Good sportsmanship is just as important as winning. Make sure your baseball players understand the meaning of fair play from the moment you become their baseball coach.

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6. Make sure you motivate and reward your baseball team players. Just knowing the basic skills and strategies of baseball won't necessarily make you a very good baseball coach. Being a baseball coach is truly more than just teaching these things. A really good coach can motivate a baseball team to do its best! Good baseball coaches understand and can empathize with the players' feelings of joy, anger, anxiety, frustration, and pride.

7. Don't make your baseball practices boring or repetitious. Shake up practices by playing games and teaching new techniques and plays. Since only 9 players can play at a time, make sure to keep the rest of the baseball team feeling useful by having them keep score or charting pitching and offence. Make sure to keep each baseball player feeling they have an important role in winning.

8. Make sure you have a plan for your baseball team. Just like a teacher needs to plan for the school year, a baseball coach needs a plan for the season. Having no plan is a sure road to failure.

9. Give your baseball team enough time to review things they have learned. Whether at the end of a practice or the end of a game, give your players time to review what has been learned and what could be improved upon. Keep the review as positive in tone as possible.

10. Make sure you communicate with your baseball team. If you cannot get across to your baseball team what you want, how will they know what to do?

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