

BYA PRIDE

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SPECIAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITION EDITION

This month we would like to recognize individuals who have gone above and beyond in their service to both the BYA and the Brentwood Community. We are proud to have such upstanding people as part of our organization. Their volunteer efforts have helped to strengthen our ability to provide recreational activities for the youth of this community. BYA Board Members, coaches, committee members, and team parents all play a huge role in the day to day operation of each sport. Although some activities only last about four months, the volunteer aspect can last throughout the year. Not only are we seeing our volunteers excel on the field, but they are also sharing their wisdom in other parts of our society like the NAACP, school board, local colleges, as well as other nonprofit organizations.

Our recent Football and Cheerleading Awards Ceremony not only celebrated the achievements of the players, it also recognized the efforts of the following key coaches who have contributed greatly to the program:

Tyrone Pannell – Coach of the Year
Neil Jenkins – Assistant Coach of the Year
Larry Clark – 10 Year Service Award

The February NAACP Awards Ceremony recognized two BYA members for their outstanding service to the Islip Community. Once again, our very own **Larry Clark** has been recognized for his work in developing and mentoring youth. This special honor was also bestowed upon our current Baseball and Softball Commissioner, **Muhammad Small** for his dedication and devotion to the children of Brentwood. Both Larry Clark and Muhammad Small have played a significant role in the lives of so many youth and we are proud to have them recognized by the NAACP as well.

The Positive Coaching Alliance has recently selected BYA Baseball Coach, **Rich Gonzalez** as a national Coach of the Year. Rich Gonzalez will receive the Double Goal Coach Award, presented by Liberty Mutual. He has been an integral part of our baseball program for many years and has helped to educate other coaches in the fundamentals of coaching. Mr. Gonzalez, like all other award winners, is a leader and we are proud to have him here at the BYA. Congratulations to all honored individuals and those who continue to work hard, even without the reward.



UPCOMING BYA EVENTS

- 2/23 Special General Membership Meeting
- 2/26 7/8 Boys Basketball All Star Game
- 3/2 Board of Directors Meeting
- 3/4 13/14 Boys Basketball All Star Game
- 3/5 9/12 Girls Basketball All Star Game
- 3/6 10 – 12 Girls Softball Draft
- 3/8 11/12 Boys Basketball All Star Game
- 3/13 13 – 18 Girls Softball Draft
- 3/16 General Membership Meeting
- 3/19 9/10 Boys Basketball All Star Game
- 3/20 13 – 16 Boys Baseball Draft
- 3/27 17 – 18 Boys Baseball I Draft
- 4/17 Baseball and Softball Opening Day
- June Football and Cheerleading Registration

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