

# Add Olympic game to Durham's triumphs

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For one night in June, the Olympics will come to Durham. Twenty-five athletes will display their talents as they play America's favorite pastime against a foreign team that has learned the sport well, the South Korean National baseball team.

Last April, the U.S. Olympic Soccer Team defeated Duke University, 2-1. On June 29, at the Durham Athletic Park, the U.S. Olympic baseball team, featuring UNC stars Scott Bankhead and B.J. Surhoff, will play the defending amateur world champions as part of a 35-stop national tour. The tour is designed to promote the U.S. team, which will compete in a demonstration tournament at the L.A. Olympics.

But for Durham Bulls management, the game is just another notch on an impressive string of accomplishments.

"Even though we're a late addition to the

schedule, I think that a game of this stature being played in the Durham area speaks well of the city and local business leaders," said Rod Dulgozima, general manager of the Bulls and one of the organizers of the event. "After our recent success with the ACC Baseball Tournament, I would say that this places us up with the top Single A organizations in the country."

Although Dulgozima may seem like a lofty thinker, he does have sound evidence to substantiate his claims. ACC Commissioner Bob James likes the idea of Durham as a permanent site for future baseball tournaments due to the financial success of the 1984 baseball tournament held for the first time off a campus facility.

The Bulls management, which coordinates these special events, is regarded as one of the top Single A organizations in the Southeast, due mostly to their ability to keep the Triangle area fans coming back to the park.

Dulgozima said the success formula of hard

work and hustle is practiced every night of every season by Bull's management.

"When Miles Wolff purchased the team, he solicited the support of local business, and we did the same thing with the ACC tournament," said Dulgozima. "Now, General Electric has stepped forward to join the U.S. Baseball Federation to underwrite the expenses of the Olympic game, which was a big boost for us."

General Electric is the national sponsor of the U.S. Olympic Baseball Team and has purchased most of the tickets to the Durham game to distribute to their dealers for local promotional sales.

It was by chance that Durham was able to lure the Olympic baseball squad to Durham. Bull's Ticket Manager Miles Adesman found out that there was an open date on the tour following a game that was to be played in Norfolk, Va.

Wolff was able to coordinate the sponsorship that would cover the \$10,000 guarantee, so Durham became one of only two Single A

minor league facilities to host the team.

Dulgozima said that part of the reason that the Durham Athletic Park was chosen for the game is due to the park's ancient design. In an era of artificially turfed stadiums and symmetrical fields, Durham Athletic Park offers both the player and the fan a chance to relive the nostalgic days of Ebbets Field and the Polo Grounds in New York City. Durham's short right field porch and the odd angles of the outfield wall help give the park character and makes the action more exciting.

The organizers of the event are depending on the local media to support the game by playing up the local element — college All-Americans Bankhead, a pitcher with a three-year record of 24-3 at UNC, and Surhoff, a catcher on the 1983 Pan American Games team who hit a school record .400 clip this season. Surhoff had 11 homer's and 51 RBIs this year for the Tar Heels.

In the meantime, Durham Athletic Park awaits its chance to shine its lights on some of America's brightest young stars.



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## UNC coaches highest paid

The Associated Press

GREENSBORO—Salaries of Atlantic Coast Conference coaches have more than doubled in the last 10 years, and North Carolina basketball coach Dean Smith has been at the front of the increase.

According to a survey conducted by the Greensboro News & Record, Smith is the highest-paid basketball coach among those surveyed while Tar Heel coach Dick Crum is the

highest-paid football coach.

Smith, who has been at North Carolina for 23 years, was paid \$75,000 in fiscal 1982-83 and \$81,000 in 1983-84, while Crum made \$60,000 in 1982-83 and \$66,000 in 1983-84, the survey said.

North Carolina State basketball coach Jim Valvano was second to Smith at \$53,000 for fiscal 1982-83 but received a raise of almost \$12,000 after the Wolfpack won the NCAA title in 1983.

Wake Forest and Duke declined to disclose individual salary information, but the survey indicated that their head coaches are believed to be paid slightly less than Smith and Valvano.

The lowest salary among basketball coaches in North Carolina was East Carolina's Charlie Harrison at \$30,000. North Carolina A&T coach Don Corbett, who has taken his team to three straight NCAA tournaments, makes \$32,876.

A&T Athletic Director Orby Moss said that a raise is in the works for Corbett, pending state approval.

Among football coaches, Tom Reed of N.C. State is just behind Crum. Reed made \$58,000 in fiscal 1982-83 and \$60,000 in 1983-84.

The survey revealed that East Carolina coach Ed Emory benefited the most from successful seasons in 1982 and 1983. Emory's salary was \$35,000 last year but after the Pirates went 7-4, he received a 15,000 raise.

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