



Calumet County Historical Society Museum

**Open Sundays June-September 1:00 to 4:00
or by appointment**

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME

By Debbie Barany

Did you know that at one time Calumet County had a connection to Major League baseball?

The Chicago White Sox organization had a baseball camp for boys located in Calumet County. In June of 1963 the camp opened up for its first season on a peaceful, wooded 62 acre tract of land on the east shore of Lake Winnebago at the Brothertown Harbor. The camp would host between 200 -600 boys from the ages of 10 to 16 for three weeks of baseball and sports activities.

The camp was conceived by White Sox President Arthur Allyn Jr. in 1962. Sox General Manager, Ed Short, Manager, Al Lopez, Farm Director, Glenn Miller and Allyn decided on the

Lake Winnebago location and with about \$250,000 new buildings and facilities were built. The camp included sleeping cabins, a bathhouse, a dining lodge, a swimming pool and three baseball diamonds. A basketball court, three tennis courts, and a soccer field were also built on the grounds. Horseback riding, fishing, boating, and hiking was also available for additional activities.

**CHICAGO WHITE SOX
BOYS' CAMP**

Located on 62 acre wooded tract on Lake Winnebago
at Brothertown, Wis.
**FOR YOUNG MEN AGES 10-16
IN THREE SESSIONS . . . THREE WEEKS EACH
JUNE 25 TO AUGUST 26, 1967**

The purpose of the White Sox Boys Camp, which is starting its fourth season, is to provide boys from the ages of 10 thru 16 with expert instructions in the fundamentals of a variety of sports and camping. Regularly scheduled competition in all sports, with all boys participating, is also a vital part of the program. The camp staff stresses sportsmanship as it is the belief that good sportsmanship goes hand in hand with achieving success as an athlete.

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Boys Camp Director
Former Notre Dame All-American Basketball Star, now a Big Ten Coaches Official and former Dean of Boys at Thornton Fractional High School.



Chicago **CHICAGO WHITE SOX** Chicago

SPORTS CAMP

ENROLLMENT—The camp is open to all boys from the ages of 9 to 16 years. The cost for a three-week session is \$255.00, exclusive of the bus transportation fee of \$15.00.

CAMP SESSION DATES—1970
 First Session—Sunday, June 28 to Saturday, July 18
 Second Session—Sunday, July 19 to Saturday, August 8
 Third Session—Sunday, August 9 to Saturday, August 29

Camp Director, George Sobek, was coach and Head of Boys at Thornton-Frostholm High School, Calumet City, Illinois, for 8 years. He is a veteran Big Ten Baseball Coach, has played and managed in the White Sox Minor League System and was an All-American baseball player at Notre Dame.

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CAMP LOCATED AT BROTHERTOWN, WIS.

Boys from all over the country attended the camp during the summers of 1963 and it's close in 1970. George Sobek was the director of the camp. He was a baseball scout for the White Sox organization from 1950 to 1984. The camp would host several major league players like Tommy John, Johnny Mostil and Carlos May to make appearance and help with camp activities.

If anyone has memories of the baseball camp we would love to hear about them. Please give us a call or sent an Email!