

**Alabama Baseball Coaches Association - 2018 Convention Itinerary**

**Thursday, January 18 –**

- 5:00 - 10:00 p.m.: Pre-registration Check-In/On-Site Registration
- 5:00 - 11:00 p.m.: Exhibits Open
- 7:00 - 11:00 p.m.: Hospitality Suite / Vendors Appreciation (Exhibitor Area)  
*\* Name badges must be worn*

**Hot Stove Session:**

- 7:00 - 7:40 p.m.: Stubby Clapp, St. Louis Cardinals  
“Hitting Hot Stove”
- 7:50 - 8:30 p.m.: Tyler ShROUT, Samford University  
“Pitching Hot Stove”

- \* Hospitality Suite will be held in Shelby Room on the first floor of the Marriott. There will be free food & beverages in there from the beginning of the Convention to the end. Coffee in the morning, waters and soft drinks the entire time and adult beverages in the evenings. Biscuits Friday & Saturday morning, Pizza Thursday Night.
- \* Other Hospitality Suites in the hotel will be listed in your Convention Speakers packets.

- 8:40 - 10:00 p.m. High School & College Baseball Coaches Social. All State of Alabama 2-year & 4-year college coaches & their staffs were extended invitations.

**Friday, January 19 -**

- 7:00 a.m. - Noon: Pre-Registration Check-In/On-Site Registration
- 7:00 - 5:00 p.m.: Exhibits Open
- 7:45 - 8:40: Speaker, Brad Bohannon, University of Alabama  
“Alabama Baseball”
- 8:45 - 9:25: Speaker, Dan Heefner, Dallas Baptist University  
“Training Hitters to Compete against the Modern Pitcher”
- 9:25 - 9:40: Break
- 9:40 - 10:20: Stubby Clapp, St. Louis Cardinals  
“Outfield Play”
- 10:30 - 11:10: Speaker, AHSAA State Champions Coaches Panel  
“1A – 7A State Champion Coaches on stage together for a Q & A”
- 11:15 - 12:00: Speaker, Mike Murphree Jacksonville State University  
“Fundamentals of Infield Play”
- 12:00 - 12:05: Head Coaches receive their Milestone Victory Certificates /  
Head & Asst. Coaches receive their Years of Service Certificates
- 12:05 - 1:35: LUNCH

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**Friday, January 19 -**

- 1:40 - 2:20 p.m.: Mike Roberts, Chicago Cubs  
“Winning Games from the Dugout”
- 2:25 - 3:15 p.m.: Tyler Shrou, Samford University  
“Implementing Driveline Training into your Pitcher’s Program”
- 3:15 - 3:25 p.m.: Break
- 3:30 - 4:10 p.m.: Speaker, Dave Turgeon, Pittsburg Pirates  
“Are We Preparing the Path for the Player or the Player for the Path?”
- 4:15 - 4:55 p.m. Dan Heefner, Dallas Baptist University  
“Practice Ideas that Develop Fundamentals & Intangibles”
- 7:00 p.m.: Awards Banquet – Marriott Ball Room (Where the clinic is held)  
\* Only pre-registered coaches who have a ticket may attend  
\* Hall of Fame Class Inducted, Distinguished Service Award Recipient honored, State Champion Coaches honored, Players & Asst Coaches of the Year honored, etc.  
\* 500th win & 20<sup>th</sup> yr. coaching plaques presented  
\* Attire: Sport Coat or Suit and Tie  
\* Banquet Keynote Speaker: Alabama State Senator Greg Reed
- 7:00 - 11:00 p.m.: Hospitality Suite (to the left of the Speakers Room & in the Atrium/Exhibitors Area)  
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**Saturday, January 20 –**

- 6:45 - 7:40 a.m.: Chapel Talk & Coffee and Biscuit Breakfast (Clinic Room)  
Dan Heefner, Dallas Baptist University (Talk from 7:00 - 7:30 a.m.)
- 7:45 - 11:00 a.m.: Exhibits Open
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| 8:00 - 8:40 a.m.:   | <u>ROOM 1 (Left Side of the Ball Room)</u><br>Dan Heefner, Dallas Baptist University<br>“Developing the Swing & the Hitter”   | <u>ROOM 2 (Right Side of the Ball Room)</u><br>Dave Turgeon, Pittsburgh Pirates<br>“Taking Your Work Day Into the Game I” |
| 8:45 - 9:25 a.m.:   | David Sharp, Huntsville High School<br>“Catching Principles & Drills”   | Jessica Gober, Rehab Associates<br>“Arm Care in Baseball”   |
| 9:30 - 10:10 a.m.:  | Kevin Raley, UMS-Wright Prep School<br>“Dealing with Dual Player Arms”  | John Gluschick, Sweet Water High School<br>“The Power of Offensive Bunting”   |
| 10:10 - 10:25 a.m.: | Break   |   |
| 10:25 - 11:05 a.m.: | Mike Roberts, Chicago Cubs<br>“Olympic Sprint Routine”  | Kevin Raley, UMS-Wright Prep School<br>“Incorporating Total Team Defense”   |
| 11:10 - 11:50:      | Jessica Gober, Rehab Associates<br>“Sports Nutrition for the HS Athletes”   | David Sharp, Huntsville High School<br>“2 Feet In – Getting Players & Parents on the same page”                           |
| 11:55 - 12:35:      | Dave Turgeon, Pittsburgh Pirates<br>“Taking Your Work Day Into the Game II”   | Mike Roberts, Chicago Cubs<br>“Dominant Base Stealing”  |
| 12:40 - 1:00:       | ALABCA General Assembly Meeting (Must attend this meeting to be eligible for door prizes)   |   |
| 1:00 - 1:15:        | Door Prize Drawings: Must attend the General Assembly Meeting & be present to win!<br>55 foot batting tunnel from Russell Batting Cages, Mound and Plate Tarp from Dothan Tarpaulin, Gulf Shores Condo, Cash Prizes, etc. |   |

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## **General Convention and Hotel Information: Plan on staying there Thursday & Friday Night**

Birmingham Marriott Hotel  
3590 Grandview Parkway  
Birmingham, Alabama 35243  
(888)426-5171

Room Rate: \$99 – single/double (plus tax)

\* Room rate only guaranteed through 5:00 p.m., January 5, 2018, and based on availability.

Check-in: 3:00 p.m., Check-out: Noon

You may go on-line to our website to reserve a room at the Marriott – [www.alabca.org](http://www.alabca.org), find Coaches

Convention link under Events link at the top of our home page. Membership and/or Convention and Exhibitor info/registration may be found under the Coaches Convention link as well.

\* Please identify yourself with the Alabama Baseball Coaches Association when calling the Marriott.

\* The Convention is open to ALABCA Members only. You must wear your name badge for this reason.

The Special Coaches below and many others will be honored Friday Night, January 19, 2018 at 7 p.m. at the Annual Awards Banquet. Alabama State Senator Greg Reed will be the banquet guest speaker. Tickets are \$30 if you're attending the Convention and \$40 for guest attending the Awards Banquet Only (See Registration Form). Dress is Business Attire (Suit or Sport Coat and Tie). You'll pick up any banquet tickets you purchase at check-in when you attend the convention or on the night of the awards banquet, January 19 from 5:45 p.m. on, if you're only attending the banquet, at the convention check-in table as well. The last day to purchase awards banquet tickets online is Sunday January 12. Go to [www.alabca.org](http://www.alabca.org), find the Coaches Convention link under the Events link at the top of the home page. Then see Extra Awards Banquet Tickets.

\* Sammy Dunn Memorial Award –

\* Kevin Raley, UMS-Wright Preparatory School  
(1A – 7A AHSAA State Champion Coaches are eligible)

\* 2018 Distinguished Service Award Recipients –

\* Herb Reeves, (Troy University, ALABCA All-Star Event Benefactor)  
\* Walter Atkins (Professional Scout)

\* Hall of Fame - Class of 2018 –

\* Butch Weaver (Lee-Huntsville High School)  
\* Mark Mincher (Huntsville High School)  
\* Mike Jacobs (University of Mobile)

To see other ALABCA Award Recipients, Coaches & Players - See our Latest News Section on our website's home page at [www.alabca.org](http://www.alabca.org).

### **Coaches and Wives Retreat: Saturday January 20 – Sunday January 21, after the Coaches Convention, at the Marriott**

There will be a Coaches & Wives Retreat at the Marriott after the Convention this year. Saturday January 20, Check in 3:00 – 3:45 p.m. and will be over Sunday January 21 approximately noon. Some of the top-notch speakers already lined up: Brian Shoop (UAB) and his wife Brenda, Shane Chappell (Pinson Valley HS) and his wife Alicia, Jan Weisburg (Birmingham Southern) and his wife Alyssa, John Ed Mathison (Leadership Ministries), Chuck Whitley (Primerica Financial). We're working on a wives itinerary so they can be there throughout the coaches convention, from Thursday night on, yet be with other coaches wives from around the state and have activities to do around Birmingham.

\* *Wives separate itinerary and Coaches and Wives Retreat information to follow in early December.*

## ***Why attend the Alabama Baseball Coaches Association's 2018 State Baseball Coaches Convention?***

“By far one of the best high school clinics I’ve ever spoken at. And I’ve spoken at a bunch all around the country.”

Skip Bertman, 5-Time Nat'l Champion LSU Head Baseball Coach  
2015 ALABCA Convention Speaker

The ALABCA Convention has grown into one of the finest in the country. I look forward to attending each year to learn from some of the great coaches in our state and across the U.S. It's also an opportunity to share ideas with other coaches, see old friends and create new friendships. I also love attending the Hall of Fame banquet to see some of our best being celebrated for their successful careers, but more importantly, to hear their stories of the people that helped them along their way.

Lee Hall, Homewood High School – Head Baseball Coach

I always look forward to the convention to learn new and different ideas that can help our program. I really enjoy listening to the high level coaches each year to help our program grow.

Jeff Mauldin, Hewitt-Trussville High School – Head Baseball Coach  
2-Time (6A and 7A) State Champion Head Baseball Coach

Myself and my coaching staff look forward to The ALABCA convention every year as an opportunity to grow our knowledge of the game, network with coaches from around the state, and help grow the game of baseball in the state of Alabama.

Adam Moseley, Hoover High School – Head Baseball Coach  
2017 7A AHSAA State Champions

The ALABCA Convention is as much a part of our schedule as any game we play. The clinic is a great way to kick start the baseball season. The information that we bring back is instrumental in the development of our players. Each and every year the ALABCA does a great job at bringing in an unbelievable lineup of speakers.

Drew Miller, G.W. Long High School – Head Baseball Coach  
2013 & 2017 1A State Champion Head Coach

"To be a great teacher of baseball, you must first be a great student of baseball. Great coaches should always be looking for ways to improve their programs and their knowledge of the game. Therefore I go to 3-4 clinics each year. The ALABCA Coaches Convention gives coaches an opportunity to hear from coaches with new ideas or coaches who have taken their programs to great heights. It's truly a great opportunity to better yourself and your program."

Chris Heaps, Russellville High School – Head Baseball Coach  
2015, 2016 & 2017 5A AHSAA State Champions

The ALABCA Convention provides great learning opportunities to baseball coaches at every level in our state. There are noteworthy speakers that cover a wide range of important topics I have found useful and productive as I continue to learn as a coach. A special highlight is the annual Hall of Fame Banquet that honors that years inductees along with the recognizing the coaches and players of note around the state. I have attended several other state's conventions but the ALABCA Convention has exceeded the others with its growth and presentation.

Mark Smartt, Troy University – Head Baseball Coach

**ALABAMA BASEBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION  
HEAD COACH MILESTONE VICTORY / HEAD OR ASSISTANT COACH YEARS OF SERVICE FORM**

The ALABCA would like to recognize coaches for their years of service as an assistant and/or head coach on the AHSAA, AISA and collegiate levels. Head coaches will also be recognized for milestone wins.

In order to do this, we need your help. Please take time to fill out the following questionnaire and return it to the ALABCA as soon as possible.

**Forms must be postmarked Friday by December 15, 2017 in order to have your Certificates and/or Plaque made. Certificates will be presented at the Convention on Friday, January 19 at Noon in the Speakers Room. Plaques will be presented at the Awards Banquet Friday, January 19, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Suit or Coat & Tie are appropriate banquet attire.**

Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Barry Dean  
 ALABCA Executive Director/Awards Director

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL / COLLEGE: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Head Coaches on the AHSAA, AISA and collegiate levels will receive certificates for 100<sup>th</sup>, 200<sup>th</sup>, 300<sup>th</sup>, or 400<sup>th</sup> wins, and plaques for 500<sup>th</sup> win. Head and Assistant Coaches on these levels will receive certificates for their 10<sup>th</sup> year of coaching and a plaque for their 20<sup>th</sup> year.

School/College	Wins	Losses	Years
<b>Overall Record / Years Served</b>			

MAIL TO: **ALABCA  
 P.O. Box 3881  
 Montgomery, Alabama 36109**

Only send this form in if you have not been given a certificate or plaque by the ALABCA for the level of wins or years coached that you're writing in the table above.