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NCAA BASEBALL**

### **College Division Rallies to Tie University Division in 2017 NEIBA All-Star Game**

**PAWTUCKET, R.I.**—Southern Connecticut State University's Nick Lamberti drove in Owls' teammate Greg Zullo with the tying run in the bottom of the eighth inning as the College Division (Division II/III) squad rallied for a 3-3 tie against University Division (Division I) team in the 2017 Joe Walsh New England Intercollegiate Baseball Association (NEIBA) All-Star Game on Friday afternoon at McCoy Stadium.

The 43<sup>rd</sup> edition of the game produced the first tie since 2011 and the third overall. The University Division holds 24-12-3 edge in the all-time series.

Mike Corin of the University of Rhode Island hit a two-run homer in the top of the fourth inning on his way to earning most valuable player honors. Colby Maiola of UMass Lowell drew a leadoff walk in the sixth and later scored on an RBI groundout by Charlie McConnell of Northeastern University to give the University All-Stars a 3-1 lead.

Ezekial Sanchez walked and stole a pair of bases before scoring on a wild pitch in the bottom of the first for the College All-Stars, who cut their deficit to 3-2 in the last of the sixth when Tom Petry of Tufts University scored on an RBI single by Lamberti.

Matt Tulley of UMass Boston was selected as the NEIBA All-Star Game Most Valuable Pitcher after recording one strikeout in a perfect third inning.

Prior to the game a ceremony was held on the field to honor the 2017 NEIBA award winners and the organization's inaugural hall of fame class. A full list of the honorees is below.

#### **TEAM OF THE YEAR**

Division I: Connecticut

Division II: Southern New Hampshire

Division III: UMass Boston

#### **COACH OF THE YEAR**

Division I: John Stuper, Yale

Division II: Scott Loiseau, Southern New Hampshire

Division III: Matt Noone, Babson

#### **SERVICE AWARDS**

Jack Butterfield: Matt Noone, Babson

Kevin Burr Assistant Coach Award: Mike Phelps, Middlebury

Andy Baylock Distinguished Service Award: Pete Frates

#### **HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES**

Archie Allen

John "Tinker" Connelly

John Winkin

Andy Baylock

Dick Bergquist

Jack Butterfield

Jim Stone

Joe Zavattaro

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