



Midwest League All-Star Game to Air in Chicago and Michiana

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SOUTH BEND, IN –The South Bend Cubs have announced the 55th Midwest League All-Star Game will be broadcast regionally on WCIU-TV, The U Too in Chicago as well as on WMYS, My Michiana in South Bend. In addition to the All-Star Game airing on June 18, the Home Run Derby will also be carried on My Michiana on June 17.

“When the Major League players of tomorrow hit the field for the 2019 Midwest All-Star game in South Bend, the game will be televised in America’s third largest city,” Chairman and Owner of the South Bend Cubs Andrew T. Berlin said. “That’s never been done before. And televising to a Chicago audience is just one of the ways we’re setting a new standard for how to host the week-long All-Star event. Our own South Bend Cubs production team is producing the broadcast. And we’re going to put on a show that makes this city proud.”

According to information available, this is the first time in Midwest League history that the All-Star Game will be broadcast on local and regional television. Past All-Star Games have been broadcast on television in the host city’s market, but this will be the first time the game has aired both in market and outside of the host city’s viewing area.

“It’s our culture to change the norm and exceed expectations,” South Bend Cubs Vice President and General Manager Nick Brown said. “That mentality is not just limited to the fans attending the All-Star festivities, but to those watching at home. We have challenged our in-house production team to deliver an award-winning caliber broadcast and we look forward to them exceeding those expectations with their expertise.”

The U Too can be seen in the Chicago area on WCIU-TV 26.2, XFINITY 230/360, RCN 35, Dish 48, AT&T U-verse 24 and WOW 10. South Bend Cubs Broadcaster Darin Pritchett will have the TV call on The U Too and My Michiana.

To watch the All-Star Game and Home Run Derby on WMYS, My Michiana, the station broadcasts over-the-air on channel 69.1 and can be found on Xfinity 15/194HD, U-Verse 69/1069HD, Mediacom 17/717HD, Rochester Telephone Cable 53/353HD, and Dish is 69/1069.

“Weigel Broadcasting is pleased to be the television partner for the 2019 Midwest League All-Star Game.” Senior Vice-President of Operations for Weigel Broadcasting Co. Steve Farber added.

“Viewers will be able to catch the All-Star game in South Bend on WMYS, My Michiana, and in Chicago on WCIU, The U Too.”

“The South Bend franchise has for the past 31 seasons been a leader in Minor League Baseball from the construction of one of the earliest state of the art facilities, maintaining it to keep its uniqueness and now in season 32 televising the All-Star Game in an unprecedented fashion,” Midwest League President Dick Nussbaum said. “Another reason to never underestimate Andrew Berlin and his wonderful team.”

Gates open at 5:30 p.m. ET for Fan Fest at Four Winds Field and the Home Run Derby is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. On June 18, gates open at 5:30 p.m. for the All-Star Game, with first pitch scheduled for 7:35 p.m. Tickets for both events are available at the South Bend Cubs Box Office, by phone at (574) 235-9988, or online at SouthBendCubs.com.

About the South Bend Cubs

The South Bend Cubs are the Class A minor league affiliate of the 2016 World Series Champion Chicago Cubs. Over the past 31 seasons, the team has won five Midwest League titles, most recently in 2005, and has captured 12 division titles. In 2019, the South Bend Cubs will host the Midwest League All-Star Game. In June 2017, Four Winds Field, home of the South Bend Cubs, was voted Best Class A ballpark in the country by Ballpark Digest. In 2015 the team was named Ballpark Digest's Team of the Year and received the John H. Johnson President's Award, the highest award in minor league baseball. The team is owned and operated by Swing-Batter-Swing, LLC whose principal shareholder is Andrew T. Berlin of Chicago, Ill.