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2009 NYPL ALL-STAR GAME ROSTERS ANNOUNCED

Brooklyn leads all teams with six bids, host Spikes earn three All-Star nods

(STATE COLLEGE, PA)— The rosters for the New York-Penn League All-Star Game have been released for both the American and National League squads, who will face off on Tuesday, August 18 at Medlar Field at Lubrano Park in State College, Pennsylvania.

The host State College Spikes will have three players on the National League roster. Infielder **Brock Holt** will join pitchers **Phillip Irwin** and **Zach Foster** on the National League squad. Holt, the Pirates' ninth-round draft pick is hitting .256 for the Spikes with a team-leading six home runs and 23 runs batted in as of August 11. Irwin has a 1-1 record and has allowed just one earned run in his first 22 professional innings, for an ERA of 0.41. Foster is 2-0 with a 1.10 ERA in 13 appearances through August 11.

The Brooklyn Cyclones lead the National League with six All-Stars. First baseman **Sam Honeck**, outfielder **Luis Rivera**, and catcher **Dock Doyle** will join pitchers **Michael Powers**, **James Fuller** and **Mark Cohoon** in representing the Mets' affiliate on the NL All-Star squad. Cyclones manager **Pedro Lopez** and his coaching staff will also be at the helm of the National League in the All-Star Game.

Five Williamsport Crosscutters also made the NL All-Stars. Catcher **Sebastian Valle**, first baseman **Francisco Murillo**, shortstop **Jeremy Barnes**, outfielder **Leandro Castro** and pitcher **Austin Hyatt** will represent the Phillies' affiliate. Vermont will send four players to the game, with infielders **Francisco Soriano** and **Sean Nicol** joining pitchers **Mitchell Clegg** and **Evan Bronson** in representing the Nationals' affiliate. Batavia, Jamestown and Tri-City will each have three players on the National League roster.

The American League roster is led by the Staten Island Yankees, with six representatives earning All-Star bids. New York-Penn League home run leader and Yankees outfielder **Neil Medchill** joins teammates **Jimmy Paredes**, **Zoilo Almonte**, and **DeAngelo Mack** as position players on the AL All-Star team. Staten Island pitchers **Francisco Rondon** and **Adam Warren** also earned berths in the All-Star Game.

Mahoning Valley, the team with the best record in the New York-Penn League through August 11, will also have five players on the AL squad, with infielder **Kyle Smith** joining outfielder **Jordan Henry** and pitchers **Corey Burns**, **Marty Popham** and **Clayton Cook** in making the journey to State College. Mahoning Valley manager **Travis Fryman** and his coaching staff will also be at the All-Star Game to guide the American League team. Fryman was a five-time participant in the Major League All-Star Game.

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Lowell earned four All-Star nods, with infielders **Chris McGuinness** and **Derrick Gibson**, designated hitter **Ryan Westmoreland**, and pitcher **Jose Alvarez** earning All-Star bids for the Red Sox affiliate Oneonta, the current Stedler Division leader, will also send four players to play for the American League in the NYPL All-Star Game, with Aberdeen, Hudson Valley, and Auburn each earning three All-Star berths.

First pitch for the All-Star Game is scheduled for 7:15 p.m., with a Celebrity Home Run Derby before the game and a spectacular post-game fireworks display. Tickets for the 2009 New York Penn-League All-Star Game and the All-Star Mountain Bash the night before are still available, and can be purchased by visiting the Spikes Box Office at Medlar Field at Lubrano Park, calling the Spikes toll-free at (877) 99-SPIKES, or by logging on to StateCollegeSpikes.com.

The complete NYPL All-Star Game rosters are listed below.

National League

Sebastian Valle - Williamsport	C
Dock Doyle - Brooklyn	C
Luis De La Cruz - Batavia	C
Sam Honeck - Brooklyn	1B
Francisco Murillo - Williamsport	1B
Francisco Soriano - Vermont	2B
Brock Holt - State College	2B
Alan Ahmady - Batavia	3B
Chase Austin - Jamestown	3B
Jeremy Barnes - Williamsport	SS
Sean Nicol - Vermont	SS
J.D. Martinez - Tri-City	LF
Kyle Jensen - Jamestown	LF
Leandro Castro - Williamsport	CF
Rand Smith - Jamestown	CF
Luis Rivera - Brooklyn	RF
Russell Dixon - Tri-City	RF
Brian Kemp - Tri-City	DH
Mitchell Clegg - Vermont	P
Evan Bronson - Vermont	P
Michael Powers - Brooklyn	P
Phillip Irwin - State College	P
James Fuller - Brooklyn	P
Austin Hyatt - Williamsport	P
Santo Maertz - Batavia	P
Mark Cohoon - Brooklyn	P
James McDonald - Tri-City	P
Zach Foster - State College	P

American League

John Murrian - Oneonta
Sean Ochinko - Auburn
Mark Thomas - Hudson Valley
Rawley Bishop - Oneonta
Chris McGuinness - Lowell
Derrick Gibson - Lowell
Jimmy Paredes - Staten Island
Levi Carolus - Aberdeen
Ty Kelly - Aberdeen
Tyler Bortnick - Hudson Valley
Kyle Smith - Mahoning Valley
Neil Medchill - Staten Island
Michael Rockett - Oneonta
Zoilo Almonte - Staten Island
Jordan Henry - Mahoning Valley
DeAngelo Mack - Staten Island
Welinton Ramirez - Auburn
Ryan Westmoreland - Lowell
Jake Smith - Aberdeen
Adam Warren - Staten Island
Alexander Colome - Hudson Valley
Jose Alvarez - Lowell
Francisco Rondon - Staten Island
Kenny Faulk - Oneonta
Corey Burns - Mahoning Valley
Egan Smith - Auburn
Marty Popham - Mahoning Valley
Clayton Cook - Mahoning Valley

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