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# LETTER FROM THE COMMISSIONER

May 2021

Dear American Association Baseball Fans,

Welcome to the 2021 season of American Association baseball, the premier MLB Partner League in North America.

With our 2020 in the rearview mirror, we look forward to a full season of the American Association experience as we've grown to love it. That experience includes our stadiums filling up with fans, a full array of the best food and drink from our local culinary artists, and the best professional baseball in the minor leagues, all unabated.

In 2021, we welcome a new team to the American Association. The Kane County Cougars will be playing out of Northwestern Medical Field in Geneva, IL. The Kane County Cougars have a rich history dating back to 1888 and come to the American Association after nearly 30 seasons as an MLB affiliate. The Cougars play in a magnificent 6,000+ seat facility that features numerous amenities and provide another top of class experience for American Association fans. As the American Association pushes forward, it has recently announced another expansion in Oconomowoc, WI and be housed in a newly constructed, state-of-the-art baseball facility. This will not be the end of the American Association's growth in the coming years, so fans should stay tuned for further announcements.

Our fans will no doubt also see this season many innovations both in the stadium and through our digital AA channels. The AA has prided itself on the many tech enhancements that have occurred in the last 2 years. Fans can still enjoy AAbaseball.tv and our new website. However, to note, the league has now entered into agreements with Rebus to provide AA experiences at the touch of the button and will be putting out a new studio show called Across the Association every week to highlight the cultural platform that is the American Association. That is coupled with a new daily highlights package and 3x weekly 10 minute live show bringing you AA interviews and content. All of this content being available through the AAbaseball.tv app, on aabaseball.com, and on American Association social media handles.

As you can tell, there is a lot of innovation in the American Association. However, the original American Association that began play in 1901 with some of the same cities that are in our current league, is still pure at its core. We still bunt, steal, and play extra innings the normal way. We still require 4 pitches to intentionally walk a hitter. The American Association is still the game you grew up loving.

We hope you have a fun day at our games. The food, the promotions, and most of all the baseball are special and we are glad you are here to enjoy everything that makes the American Association a great cultural experience.

Sincerely,

**Joshua E. Schaub**  
Commissioner

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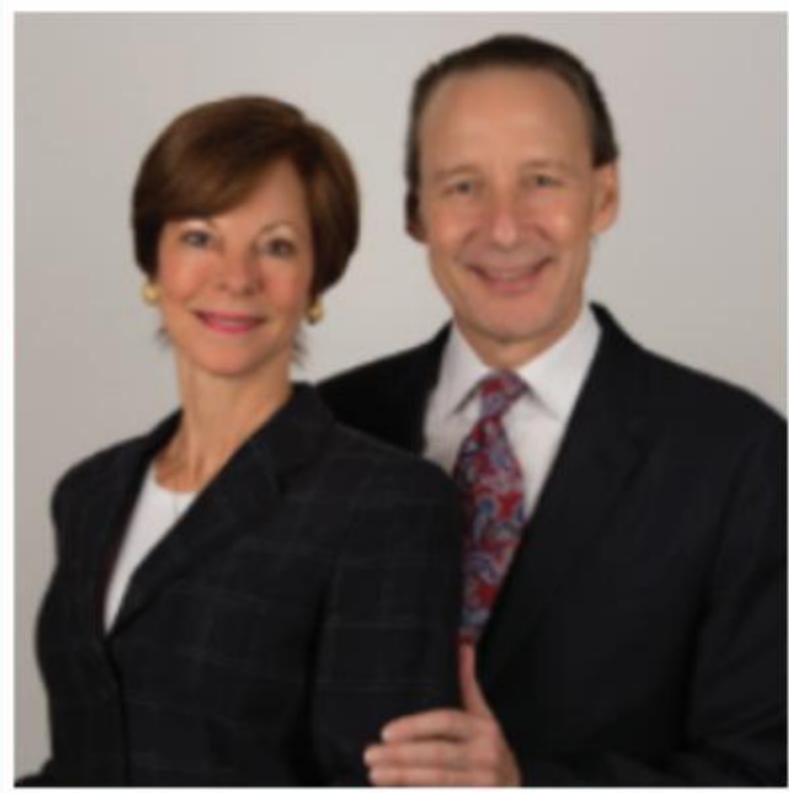
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**A lifetime baseball aficionado, Mr. Salvi decided it was time to enter the world of minor league baseball and purchased his first team, the Gary SouthShore RailCats, in 2008. After finding much success with the RailCats, including reaching the playoffs in each of his first three seasons and the championship in 2013, Mr. Salvi expanded his enterprise to include a**

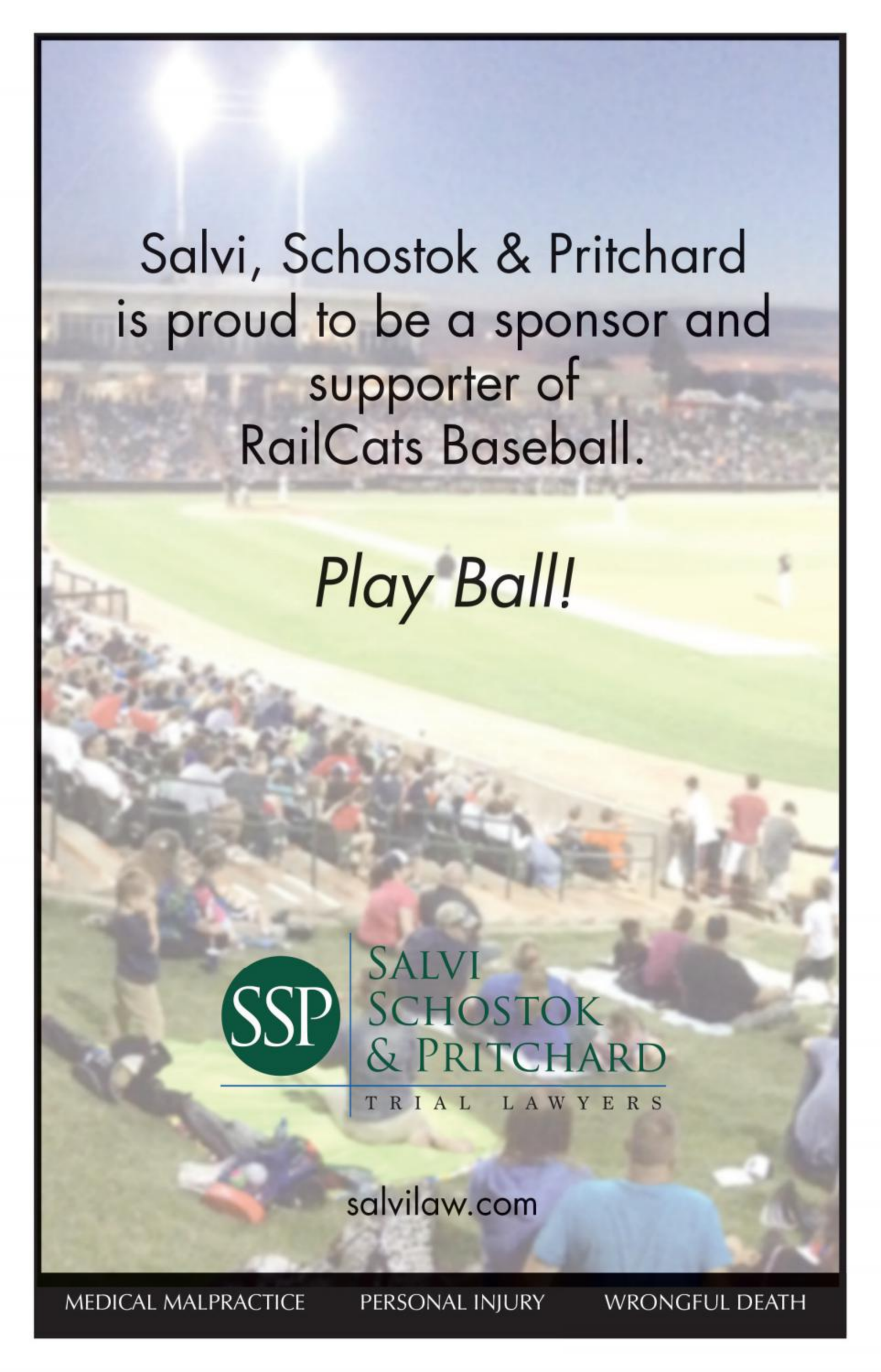
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**Pat Salvi is the managing equity partner of the prominent Chicago personal injury law firm, Salvi Schostok & Pritchard, P.C. He attended Saint Mary's University in Winona, Minnesota where he received his Bachelor's degree, and then received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Notre Dame. He has published numerous articles in law journals, lectured at legal seminars, taught classes at universities such as Northwestern, Harvard and Notre Dame. He currently serves as the Chairman of the Law School Advisory Council at the University of Notre Dame and also serves as the Director of the RailCats as its representative with the American Association of Independent Baseball.**

**Mr. Salvi is one of the most prominent attorneys in the country, consistently recognized with "Best Lawyers in America", "Illinois Super Lawyers", and "Leading Lawyers." Mr. Salvi's peers have selected him to the Illinois Super Lawyers Top 10 List every year since 2014 and Leading Lawyers Magazine has named Mr. Salvi to three "Top Ten" lists every year since 2016. In 2017, Mr. Salvi served as lead counsel on a trial team that obtained an Illinois record-high \$148 million jury verdict.**

**Salvi Schostok & Pritchard, P.C. represents victims in personal injury, medical malpractice and wrongful death cases.**





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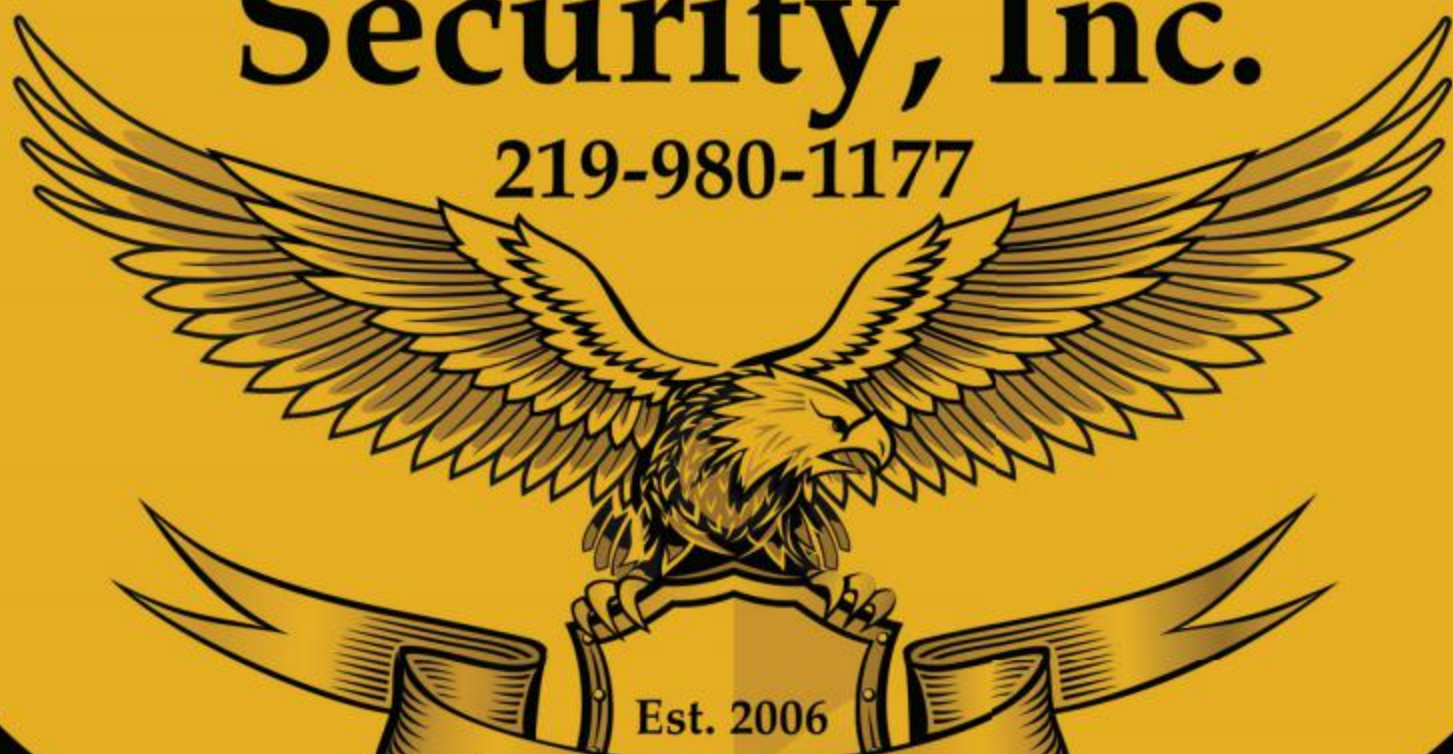


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## CATCHERS

#	Name	Bats	Throws	Height	Weight	Birth	Hometown	2021 Status	Former Club
72	Jackson Smith	L	R	6' 1"	185 lbs	3/12/1995	Salem, OR	ROOKIE	Gary SouthShore
28	Cameron Comer	L	R	6' 0"	205 lbs	11/9/1996	Powell, OH	ROOKIE	Unita Unicorns

## INFIELDERS

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44	Daniel Lingua	R	R	6' 0"	200 lbs	2/17/1997	Arlington, TX	ROOKIE	
7	Tom Walraven	R	R	5' 9"	180 lbs	11/10/1994	Pine Bush, NY	ROOKIE	Gary SouthShore
1	Phil Caulfield	L	R	5' 8"	175 lbs	12/30/1994	Birlinghame, CA	LS-1	Tully Monsters
61	Nikola Vasic	R	R	5' 9"	160 lbs	6/17/1997	New Berlin, WI	ROOKIE	
41	Tyler Van Marter	R	R	6' 1"	180 lbs	6/14/1997	Yucipa, CA	ROOKIE	
38	Ben Andrews	R	R	6' 0"	205 lbs	8/11/1995	London, England	ROOKIE	RW Black Sox

## OUTFIELDERS

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8	Hayden Schilling	L	R	5' 10"	175 lbs	4/20/1996	Santee, CA	ROOKIE	Gary SouthShore
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5	Cole Cook	L	L	6' 0"	185 lbs	7/7/1997	Washington, IL	ROOKIE	Southern Illi. Miners
10	Chris Erwin	L	L	6' 0"	165 lbs	8/10/1995	Grayson, GA	ROOKIE	RW Black Sox
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15	Tasker Strobel	L	L	6' 3"	225 lbs	4/19/1997	Avon, IN	ROOKIE	Westside Wooly Mammoths
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Cas Silber: CAZ  
Alec Olund: OH-lund  
Jesus Marriaga: HAY-zeus







# Gary SouthShore RailCats 2021 Roster



Manager: Greg Tagert      First Base/Infield Coach: Marty Joyce      Hitting Coach: Matt Schmidt  
Third Base/Outfield Coach: Tony Rodriguez      Pitching Coach: Tom Thornton      Athletic Trainer: Stephanie Lohman

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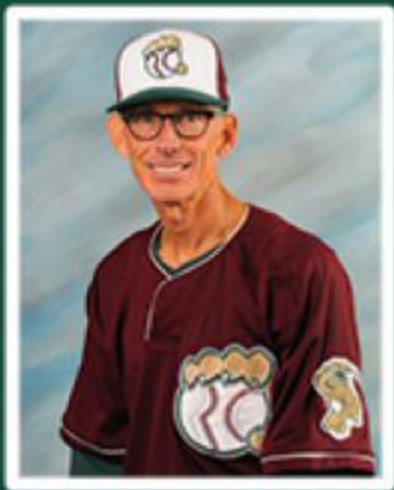
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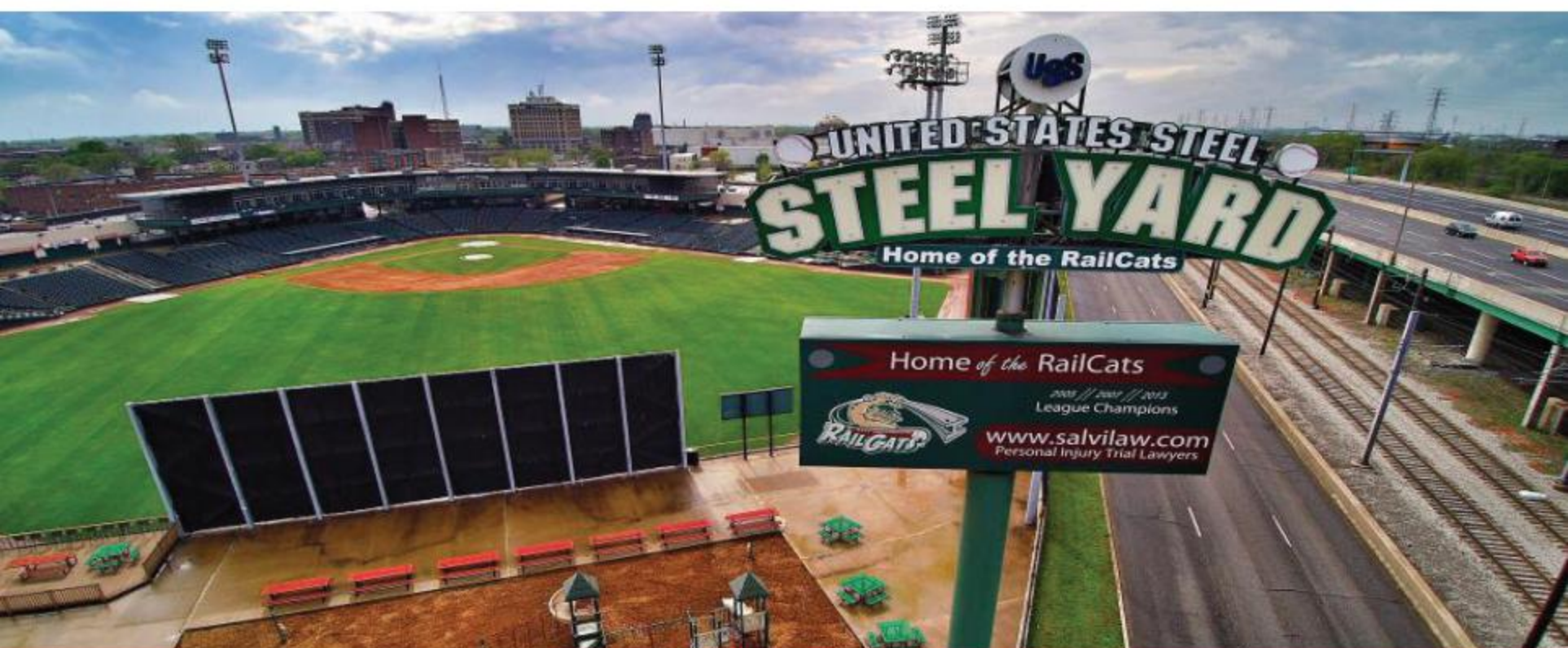
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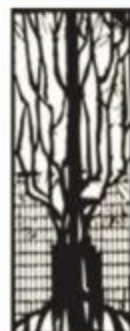


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# Q&A WITH PHIL CAULFIELD

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**So you've been playing baseball your whole life, but you're not the only one in your family that plays baseball? You have a twin brother, Tommy, and then Pat, your younger brother, also plays at UCLA.**

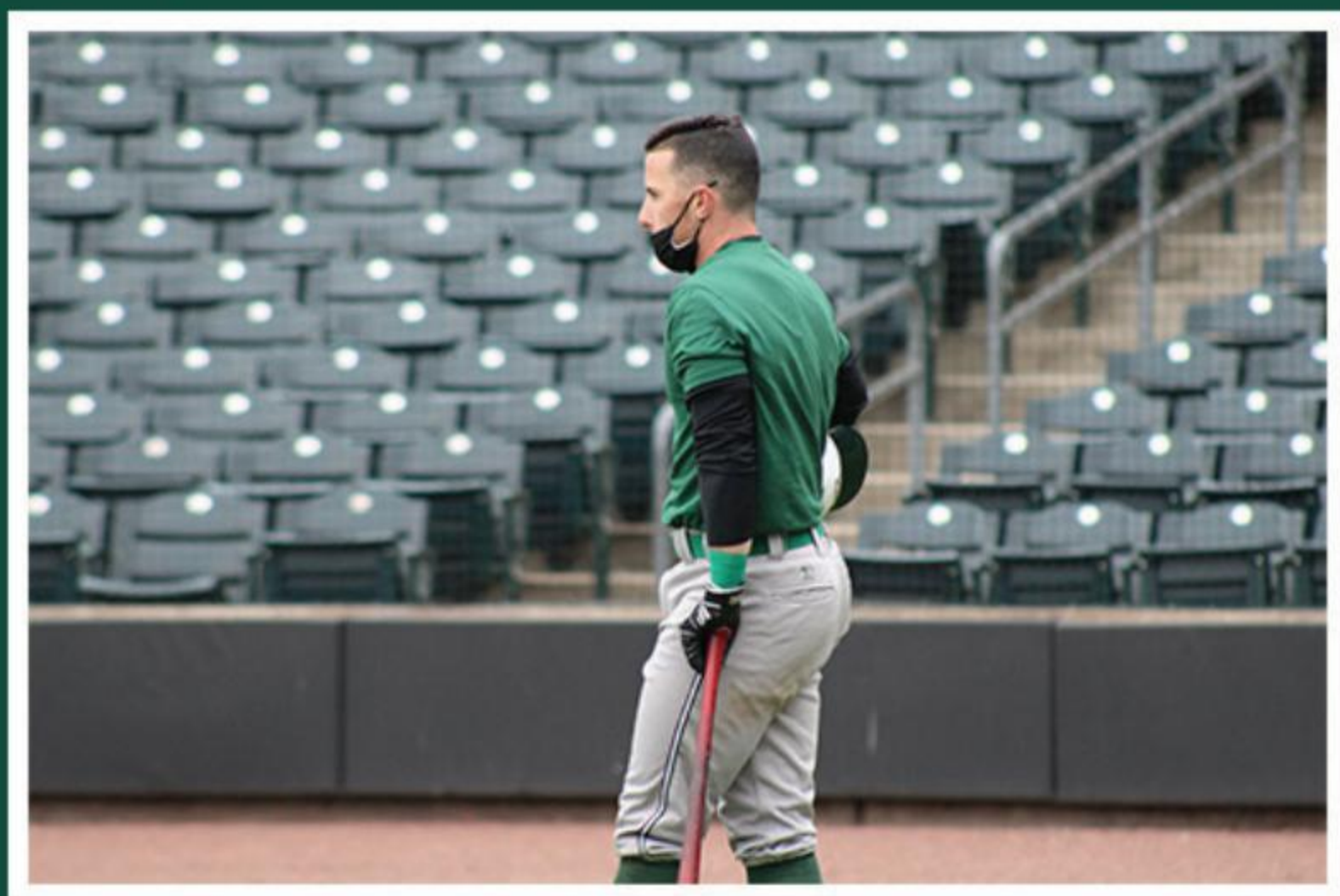
Correct, all three of us bonded over baseball our whole lives and it's pretty cool now to see that we're older and all playing at a really high level, so that part's been the best part out of all of this.

**Okay, enough with baseball. If money weren't an object, what would you be doing with your life?**

I'd still be doing the same thing to be honest, I'd either be playing baseball or coaching baseball or scouting or working in a front office or something like that. It's something that I love to do. It's something that I'm really passionate about and it's not all I know, but it's something that I really enjoy doing.

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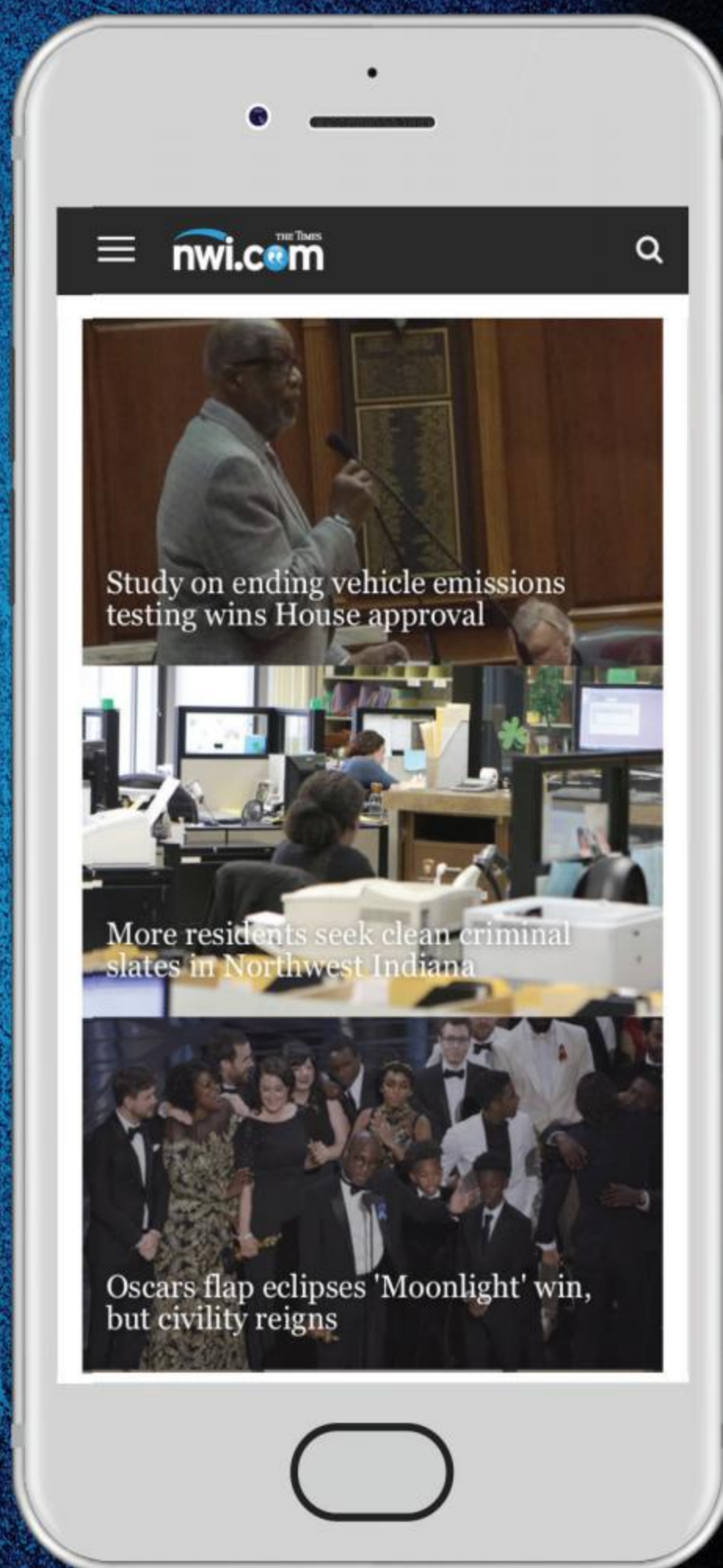
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