

Balance

Faith, Family, Business

Last year's CCA Baseball Umpire Manual's Welcome summed up the evolution of college baseball in one word: commitment.

Commitment, yes, college baseball is serious business. There is no doubt about this in most areas of our great country. Please take the time to read Mr. Dale William's article, *Times Have Really Changed*, November 24, 2014, as it relates to the opportunity awaiting us in 2018.

Welcome to **balance** - please understand and appreciate our officiating avocation - as it pertains to faith, family, business. Balance: truly a must for success in this serious business, Coordinators and Umpires, alike.

My desires these past three years as your National Coordinator have not changed: I want all of you to have success, and as importantly: learn as a man does-from our trying times; finally: enjoy and embrace the gift which comes from giving back; helping others get better.

The **2018 CCA Baseball Umpires Manual** is a wonderful **tool** - crafted by Mr. Tomas Hiler, several Conference Coordinators and Umpires - is a necessity in our business. Another necessity in our business is **balance** - whether Coordinator or Umpire: seek and understand together - how college baseball aligns within the bedrock of faith, family, business.

Sincerely yours,

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