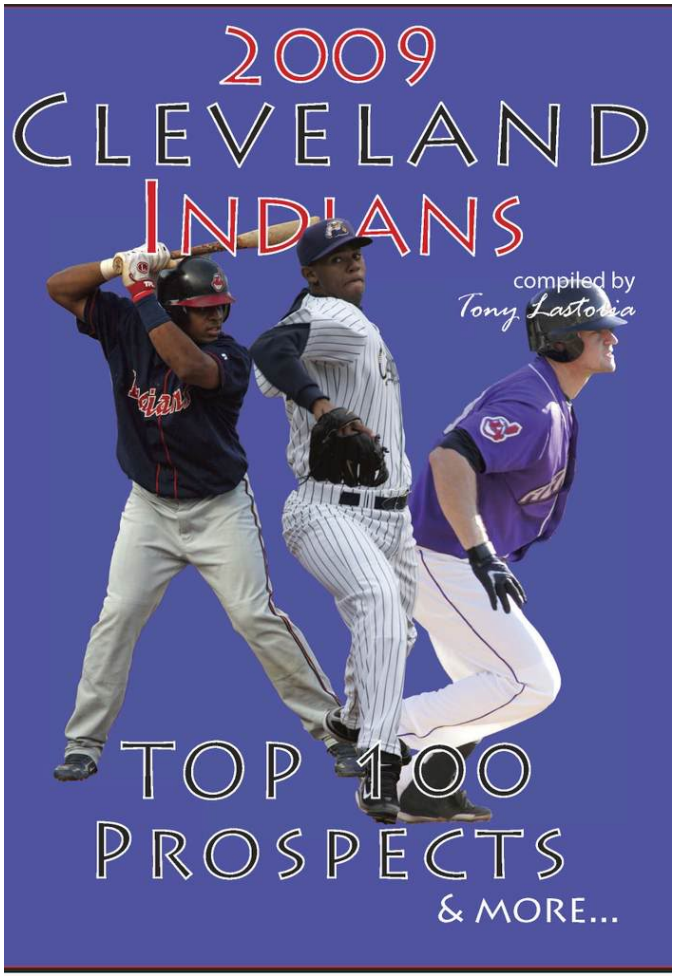
Excited to announce today that Tony's "2009 Cleveland Indians Top 100 Prospects & More" book has been sent to press, and is being printed as we speak. And he's ready to start taking orders for the book, which is seriously enhanced (60 pages longer) from last year's version. Inside this column I have all the details on the book, including what it encompasses and how you can get your copy of this super computer-side companion for the 2009 Indians season.




Finally, the **2009 Cleveland Indians Top 100 Prospects & More** book is here. Tony has sent it to press and is ready to start taking official orders for the book!

This is a sleek, compact book 150+ pages in length - over 60 pages larger than last year's edition - chock full of information on over three quarters of the Indians farm system (90%+ of the players stateside). The book includes a nice full color glossy cover, with a better overall design that is a real nice step up from last year. Also, like last year, from front to back there are no ads taking up space as every page is filled with information on the players and system, as well as loaded with charts, graphs, and photos. Bigger is not always better, but in this case fans will be happy with the additional information pertaining to the additional 50+ players included in the book this year versus last year's effort.

First, here are the details about the new book:

- The Top 100 prospects in the system are profiled with full, detailed scouting reports for each player.

- There is also an additional 27 scouting reports for players not included in the Top 100 list for various reasons. Players like Kelvin Diaz, Scott Roehl, Denny Montero, Kevin Fontanez, Chun-Hsiu Chen, and John Allman are included. These reports will also not be on-line at this time, and are exclusive only to the book.

- Tony's previous rankings, his 2008 Top 50 and 2007 Top 35 to compare how the listing has evolved.

- Professional quality pictures for over 100 players (Ken Carr is da man!).

- Full career stats for every player in the Top 100.

- Charts: Top prospects by position, organizational depth chart, players released in 2008, 2008 Draft results, Rule 5 eligibles for the next four years from 2009-2012, etc.

- Full listing of all transactions for each affiliate in the 2008 season.

- Information for each affiliate such as coaching staff, location, roster limits, website and more.

- 2009 Player Development Staff listing.

- Full minor league schedule grid showing side-by-side scheduled for Columbus, Akron, Kinston, Lake County and Mahoning Valley.

- Rule 5 FAQ

To order, e-mail Tony at tlastoria@indiansprospectinsider.com . When you make your "order", please indicate how many books you want and also provide your full name and mailing address. Once the order is placed, he will confirm the order and final price. Payment can be made by check or money order by US Mail, or by check or credit

card at PayPal.com. Tony will provide his mailing address or PayPal instructions after you contact him.

As far as the price goes, for one book the cost INCLUDING shipping and handling (domestic) will be $17.95. For those that purchase additional books in the same order, these can be purchased at a discounted rate of $14.95 per book (no limit). The book is bigger and better, but actually is cheaper than last year as with shipping and handling it was $19-21 for most people. For those who do not have the book shipped and make arrangements for pickup, it is $14.95 a book.

As for those outside of the United States, overseas orders are certainly welcome! Due to the much higher cost of shipping depending on what country you live in, Tony will work with you on the details of the shipping cost and final price.