



To: IFPAA Families
From: Chuck Mazur, IFPAA President

Our 2013 Baseball and Softball Registration process is now active!

Please register before February 28th. We cannot guarantee placement on a team after this date. No new teams will be formed after February 28th. We'll only fill open slots, if any; otherwise registrants will be placed on a Wait List.

Register online at www.ifpaa.org. We strongly suggest online registration. We will accept online registrations with payment via credit or debit cards. See details on website. Otherwise, a form (enclosed) may be mailed with a check to the IFPAA address.

Communications regarding general or specific questions are being handled by the **FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions)** and will be updated by January 20th on our website, www.ifpaa.org. Please visit our website often for information on tryouts/evaluations dates and times; winter workouts, clinics, schedules, fundraising projects, picture schedules, team assignments, field assignments, as well as other IFPAA information. Our website will be our primary communications vehicle to members and registrants. Information needed that is not addressed on the website can be handled by contacting the appropriate league commissioner (list enclosed) or by sending an email to cmazur326@aol.com or leaving a phone message at 412-366-3233.

IFPAA is really excited to have established the Babe Ruth / Cal Ripken League in Western Pa. See the enclosed for details on the new league and the numerous World Series opportunities available to IFPAA.

This fall and winter; multiple clinics and workout opportunities have been established and coordinated by Gary Fritsch at St. Athanasius School, North Allegheny IMS, Alexander's Gym and North Allegheny Baierl Center. Please check website (www.ifpaa.org) for updates.

Volunteers Needed:

Please consider volunteering your time and efforts to maintain and enhance our premiere organization. See the Registration Form for areas in need of volunteers. A short description of each check box on the registration form will be on the ifpaa.org website.

Also, see below for specific open required areas of need

- * T-Ball (“Lil Tykes (4’s) and T-Ball (5’s and 6’s) League Commissioners
(T-Ball Olympics Coordinator)
- * Banners: Sales and Installation / Removal / Storage of field banners
- * Blueberry and Vestal Snack Shacks:
Kim Wagner is the Director, Snack Shacks and Purchasing for both snack shacks. She will also manage the Blueberry operation. An assistant for Vestal is needed. Assistance is needed for stocking drinks, snacks, food, ice cream and cleaning.
- * Assistant Treasurers: Manage the snack shack collection, deposits and change
- * Director Communications: Communications within IFPAA and the local area
- * Director Software Reporting: Reporting from online system and Support
- * Director Registrations: Setup Communications for Spring and Fall Programs
- * Director Fundraising: Establish and Coordinate fund raising programs
- * Director Fields Development / Assistants: Manage field development projects
- * Director Marketing: Establish and Coordinate marketing of IFPAA
- * Director Special Projects and Events: Establish and Coordinate
- * Administrative Support: Mailings, Child Clearances, President / Board Projects
- * IFPAA Tournaments: Bracket Directors and assistants

Field Banners:

Field Banners are available for (\$ 275 new; \$ 175 renewals). A \$ 25 rebate check will be sent to anyone who completes a NEW SALE of a banner. A banner form is enclosed. Proceeds are used to fund field projects. Check our website for a list of projects completed and/or underway. Email cmazur326@aol.com an application, or access one from our website www.ifpaa.org. Additionally, you may advertise your business as a banner on our website for \$100 for the entire year. Send a check and your layout via email with your banner. Contact Chuck Mazur via email cmazur326@aol.com or by phone at 412-366-3233.

Executive Officers Election:

IFPAA has a Board of Directors responsible for decisions regarding our organization. Seven members of this board serve as Executive Officers. The general membership elects these Executive Officers every three years. In turn, the Executive Officers appoint the remainder of the board annually for one-year terms. Fortunately the majority of the board members usually stay on for an additional term each year.

Board Meetings are held the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm at the Franklin Park Borough Building, during the months January thru June; October and November. Meetings are open to the general membership. Executive Officers meetings are held a few days prior to each board meeting and as needed.

Current officers have expressed interest in continued participation. Positions include President, Vice President, Treasurer VP Baseball, VP Softball, Secretary, VP Operations.

Nominations are to be sent to: IFPAA 326 Sunset Road Pittsburgh, PA 15237 or emailed to Chuck Mazur cmazur326@aol.com, along with a summary of qualifications and interest. The cutoff date is March 1, 2013. If there are multiple candidates for a position, an election process will be held on April 4, 2013.

As always, thank you for your continued participation and support of IFPAA!