

To: IFPAA Families

From: Chuck Mazur, IFPAA President

The Spring Baseball and Softball Season will be opening in a couple months.

**The 2014 baseball and softball registration process is now active.** We strongly suggest online registration with payment via credit or debit cards. See details at [ifpaa.org](http://ifpaa.org) . Otherwise, a form may be mailed with a check to the IFPAA address.

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

Communications regarding general or specific questions will be handled by the **FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions)** section of the website at [ifpaa.org](http://ifpaa.org). Monitor our website, [ifpaa.org](http://ifpaa.org) 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](mailto: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 website for details on the new league and the numerous World Series opportunities available to IFPAA. This year, IFPAA has been selected to host the Cal Ripken 12-year old Pa. State Tournament.*

This fall and winter; multiple clinics and workout opportunities have been established and coordinated by Gary Fritsch, at Alexander's Gym. Check our website at [ifpaa.org](http://ifpaa.org).

Multiple significant upgrades will be made to our many fields.

### **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](mailto:cmazur326@aol.com) for an application, or access one from our website [ifpaa.org](http://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. Chuck Mazur [cmazur326@aol.com](mailto:cmazur326@aol.com); 412-366-3233)

## **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

- \* League Assistant commissioners and support
- \* 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. We have managers for Blueberry (Alexis Zamagias) and Vestal (Ann Weller). Assistance is needed stocking drinks, snacks, food, ice cream and initial and periodic cleaning.
- \* Director Communications: Communications within IFPAA and the local area
- \* 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
- \* Cal Ripken Pa. State Tournament: Director, Assistants for various functions
- \* Safety and Security committee participation
- \* Umpiring
- \* Special Events

As always, thank you for your continued participation and support of IFPAA  
Have a fun-filled and rewarding baseball and softball season.