

SQUIRREL HILL BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

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Dear Players and Parents:

September 6, 2005

Welcome to the Fall 2005 baseball season. This season will feature the largest number of players in the history of our fall league. Over 500 players, ages 4 to 17, will be dispersed over 43 different teams. We thank everyone for all the great feedback and suggestions and are very grateful to the large number of you that have volunteered your time. With your continued support, we look to once again provide good competition in a safe and enjoyable environment.

Over the first eight months of 2005, there were many improvements to our program:

- 1) The “Spring Training” and “Summer Baseball Camp” programs were run by the Bianco School of Baseball and received many great reviews. We look forward to the Bianco School once again directing these programs in 2006. You can now for spring Training 2006
- 2) Junior Pirates was a big hit in the spring for the newer players in pre-school through 2nd grade. We will continue our affiliation with this program for the fall season.
- 3) Communications between the league, its coaches, and the players and families saw a great improvement during the spring. We hope to continue to improve by constantly updating all pertinent information. Please review the information listed on the team roster that you will be given on Tuesday, September 13th and contact Sam Ginsberg (scg401@aol.com) with any changes or additions.
- 4) Full use of the league’s website, www.sqhillbaseball.org, (please note .org) was a major highlight of the spring season. Once again, all game results, standings, and the league schedule will be listed on the site. The most valuable feature, the “Special Alert” section will be used to provide updates on bad weather days. It was a very successful time saver during the spring.

UNIFORMS – Uniforms will be disbursed on Tuesday, September 13th.

SCHEDULE – Starting today, we will meet every Tuesday and Thursday through mid-October except for Tuesday, October 4th and Thursday, October 13th. The time will be from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. This Tuesday and Thursday will be mostly for practices. Starting next Tuesday, September 13th, the first part of each session will be used for practice, the remainder for games. The game schedule will be given out next Tuesday, September 13th.

PLAYER PICK-UP – At this level we recommend that you stay the whole time. If you cannot, please arrive no later than 6:30 pm. to pick-up your child.

PNC PARK DAY – PNC Park Day is set for Sunday, October 30th. More information to follow.

SPONSORSHIP – If you would like to sponsor the league this season, please let Randy know today. Your name will be on the back of each shirt as well as the scoreboard at PNC Park on our Annual Baseball Day.

BREAKDOWN BY AGE – There will be four teams in each of the two (2) divisions which is broken down by age and grade. You will only play teams in your respective age group.

INCLEMENT WEATHER – If weather conditions are questionable, please call (412) 306-0369 by 4:30 p.m. to confirm if we are playing. Even if it rains during the day, the field may still be playable.

I want to thank everyone in advance for what I am sure will be a great season. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Randy Frankel

Director of Baseball

Bob Helfer

Program Supervisor

P.S. If you would like to be a volunteer coach, please let Randy know at once. We can use all the help we can get.