

Little League Softball, Inc.
United States Eastern Region

**State of Pennsylvania
Section 4
District Administrators**



Presents the

**2008
Little League Softball
11 – 12 Western Division Tournament**

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Hosted by: District 7 (Indiana Little League)

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Team Arrival: July 16, 2008

WE WON! Now what do we do?

2008 State Championship West Checklist

The Indiana Little League Softball 11-12 Western Division Tournament Committee would like to congratulate you and your team on your Section Championship! Enclosed is a package full of information regarding the 2008 Western Division Championship that will be held in Indiana, PA beginning on July 16, 2008.

The following checklist is to assist you during this exciting time. Your immediate attention to the items on this list would be greatly appreciated.

- ❑ A team photo is to be sent by email as soon as the Section winner has been determined. See Page 4 of the attached package.
- ❑ Section Champion to call Jamie Ellis, Ted Amick, or Joe Walkovich. See page 1 of the attached package. The following information is needed during the telephone call:

Section Number

Team Name of Section Champion

Team Colors

Manager's, Coach's and Scorekeeper's Name

Number of players on the team

How many parents will be attending the Welcome Dinner?

- ❑ Read the attached 2008 Little League Softball Western Division Tournament package

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**2008 11-12 Little League Softball
Western Division Tournament
Contacts**

District 7 Administrator and Western Division Tournament Chair:

John Rupp 724-297-3879

Tournament Chair:

Joe Walkovich Cell 412-289-2932

Assistant Tournament Chairs:

Jamie Ellis Cell 724-422-7452
Ted Amick Cell 724-464-4169

Directions to Indiana Little League Fields

From the Northwest (Erie)

Interstate 79 South to Route 422 East

Route 422 East to Business 422 East (becomes Philadelphia St)

Go through downtown Indiana to 2nd Street. Turn left on 2nd Street. At the 2nd stop sign (Oak Street) turn right. Turn left onto Gabriel Avenue. Fields are at the end of that street.

From the Southwest (Pittsburgh)

Route 28 North to Route 422 East to Business 422 East (becomes Philadelphia St)

Go through downtown Indiana to 2nd Street. Turn left on 2nd Street. At the 2nd stop sign (Oak Street) turn right. Turn left onto Gabriel Avenue. Fields are at the end of that street.

From the Northeast (Scranton, Wilkes-Barre)

Interstate 80 West to Route 220 South (I-99)

Route 220 South to Route 22 West (Altoona)

Route 22 West to Route 422 West (Ebensburg)

Route 422 West to Indiana

Take the 119 North Punxsutawney exit. Take 119 North to Route 286 West exit to Indiana. Proceed to 2nd street. Turn right on 2nd Street. At the 2nd stop sign (Oak Street) turn right. Turn left onto Gabriel Avenue. Fields are at the end of that street.

From the Southeast (Harrisburg, Philadelphia)

Pennsylvania Turnpike West to Bedford (Exit 146)

Route 220 North (I-99) to Route 22 West

Route 22 West to Route 422 West (Ebensburg)

Route 422 West to Indiana

Take the 119 North Punxsutawney exit. Take 119 North to Route 286 West exit to Indiana. Proceed to 2nd street. Turn right on 2nd Street. At the 2nd stop sign (Oak Street) turn right. Turn left onto Gabriel Avenue. Fields are at the end of that street.

Little League Softball
Western Division Tournament

Welcome Dinner

Presented by
Indiana Little League

Wednesday, July 16, 2008
7:30 pm

St. Bernard's Church Social Hall (above the LL Fields)
Indiana, PA

All players, coaches, managers and officials will be guests of the
Indiana Little League.
(Tickets available at registration.)

Tickets for family members and guests will be:

Adults \$10
Children (10 and under) \$5

In order to prepare for the dinner,
advance reservations are required!
Please call, indicating number of tickets (adult/children), Name and Section,

Jamie Ellis 724-422-7452 (Cell)
Or
Ted Amick 724-464-4169 (Cell)

IMPORTANT REMINDER

In order to ensure that your Section
Champions team picture is in the
Tournament Program

PLEASE

EMAIL

A team picture of your Section Champion
(Include first and last names, left to right by row) to:

jellis15701@verizon.net

These need to **arrive no later than**
Monday, July 14th

Parents can purchase a 1/4 page ad in the program for
\$10. Please let Jamie know by July 14th if any parent is
interested. Color photos can be provided
via email for the ad.

REGISTRATION

Each team (manager, coach, and scorekeeper) must report to the Indiana Little League Field, Indiana, PA for registration. Registration will be held on Wednesday, July 16th at 11:15 am.

At registration please be prepared with the following items:

1. Proof of Age documentation
2. Proof of Residency documentation
3. Boundary Map / Appropriate Waivers
4. Medical Release Form
5. Eligibility Affidavit

Simultaneous with the review we will also have a meeting to discuss the tournament rules, ground rules, and upcoming schedule of events.

OPENING CEREMONIES

At 12:45 pm on Wednesday, July 16th all teams will participate (in uniform) in the opening ceremony. Please bring your section championship banner for presentation during the ceremony.

HOUSING

Food and housing will not be provided for teams, managers, and coaches. Teams will be responsible for any and all costs in these areas. See attached list of motel accommodations. Team Managers must report their location to the tournament contacts once they are established. There is an abundance of eating establishments within minutes of the tournament site.

HOTEL DIRECTORY

Holiday Inn

1395 Wayne Avenue
Indiana, PA 15701
Phone: (724) 463-3561 or
(800) 477-3561

Comfort Inn

1350 Indian Springs Road
Indiana, PA 15701
Phone: (724) 465-7000 or
(800) 4CHOICE

Best Western University Inn

1545 Wayne Avenue
Indiana, PA 15701
Phone: (724) 349-9620 or
(888) 299-9620

Super 8

111 Plaza Dr.-Southtowne Plaza
Indiana, PA 15701
Phone: (724) 349-4600

Comfort Inn of Blairsville

1085 Route 22 Highway West
Blairsville, PA 15717
Phone: (724) 459-7100

HOSPITAL / EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Indiana Hospital
Indiana, PA 15701

724-357-7000

Dial 911 for Ambulance – Fire – Police

TOURNAMENT SOUVENIRS

T-shirts, Hats and Programs will be available for sale during the tournament.

PROCEDURES HIGHLIGHTS

1. The Tournament Rules and Regulations as published by Little League Softball shall be binding and strictly enforced.
2. Each manager must submit their eligibility affidavit, medical releases and all tournament eligibility information to the Tournament Director.
3. The team manager is responsible for uniforms and equipment (equipment will be checked by the Umpire-in-Chief prior to each game). Players must be in uniform with the Little League approved patch. Managers and coaches must wear pants or slacks. **NO SHORTS** are allowed.
4. Only manager, coaches and players listed on the official tournament eligibility affidavit are permitted in the dugout or on the playing field.
5. All batting helmets must be NOCSAE approved with the warning labels.
6. Catchers must wear a mask with approved helmet and throat guard.
7. Shoes with metal cleats or spikes shall not be worn by players, managers, coaches or umpires.
8. No jewelry will be allowed on the playing field regardless of the material. This includes earrings, necklaces, rings, and watches. Medical alert items ARE PERMITTED.
9. NO TOBACCO OF ANY KIND permitted during the games.
10. Game balls will be supplied by the host League.
11. All pregame practices will be assigned by the host League. A short infield/outfield warm-up may be allowed if conditions permit. This warm-up may or may not be on the game field.
12. Dugout Assignment: The team listed on the top of the official bracket will occupy the First Base Dugout. The team on the bottom of the official bracket will occupy the Third Base Dugout.
13. Home Team Selection: The game field is neutral for each game. A coin-flip will determine home/visiting teams.
14. Fifteen minutes prior to the game start, managers, coaches, umpires and the game director will meet at home plate to conduct the coin-flip, review the ground rules, and answer any pregame questions.

15. Both teams will line-up as directed by the tournament director when introduced and remain there for the National Anthem and the Little League Pledge.
16. Both teams will meet at the home plate area immediately at the conclusion of the game and shake hands.
17. Complimentary refreshments will be served to both teams after the game.
18. Each participant will be awarded a Division pin. At the conclusion of the tournament, the West Division winning team will be awarded a championship flag.
19. Your conduct and that of your team must be above reproach at all times.

GOOD LUCK!

Schedule of Events

Wednesday, July 16th

- 11:15 am Team registration and Managers and Coaches meeting at Indiana Little League Field
- 12:45 pm Tournament Opening Ceremonies at Ned Glessner Field
(All teams to attend in uniform)
- 1:45 pm Section 1 pregame practice
- 2:00 pm Section 2 pregame practice
- 2:15 pm Groundscrew
- 2:30 pm Game 1 – Section 1 vs. Section 2
- 5:30 pm Game 2 – Section 3 vs. Section 4
- 7:30 pm Welcome Dinner at St. Bernard's Church Social Hall. Players, managers, coaches, scorekeepers and district administrators will attend compliments of Indiana Little League. Others are welcome - Ticket prices: Adults \$10, Children (10 and under) \$5

Thursday, July 17th

- 5:00 pm Game 3 – Section 1 vs. Section 3
 - 8:00 pm Game 4 – Section 2 vs. Section 4
- Grounds crew will take the field 15 minutes prior to the start of the first game.

Friday, July 18th

- 5:00 pm Game 5 – Section 4 vs. Section 1
 - 8:00 pm Game 6 – Section 3 vs. Section 2
- Grounds crew will take the field 15 minutes prior to the start of the first game.

Saturday, July 19th

- 11:45 am Grounds Crew
- 12 Noon PA Western Championship Game - #1 vs. #2

NOTE: Both the Ned Glessner Field and Herman Harris Field will be made available for additional team practices. Team Managers will have equal opportunity to schedule these fields as explained at the Managers and Coaches meeting.

Game dates and times are subject to change based on weather conditions.