

CYBSA NEWS

CENTENNIAL YOUTH BASEBALL-SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

2009 REGISTRATION BEGINS JANUARY 2ND

Where did the time go? For some, I know the baseball/softball season cannot arrive soon enough. Online registration is right around the corner opening the 2nd of January 2009 at the CYBSA website www.centennialbaseball.com.



2008 produced record numbers for CYBSA with over 1200 kids participating in baseball/softball. Even though CYBSA continues to secure additional fields; it will be difficult for CYBSA to grow with the limited field availability we currently have unless additional fields become available. It is recommended registering early to guarantee a roster spot. Rosters are created taking into consideration last year's team/coach and your neighborhood locale. CYBSA attempts to accommodate "special requests" which are available on the website when registering, but is subject to availability and registration date. Please consider volunteering as a Board Member, coach and/or any of the other positions available when registering. CYBSA is looking forward to a great year.

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Special points of interest:

- * January 2nd
- * CYBSA splits two age groups.
- * Umpire signals
- * Become a volunteer.

DIVISION OF AGE GROUPS

To help level the playing field and increase enjoyment, T-ball will consist of two divisions: 4 year olds with first year 5 year olds (novice) and second year 5 year olds with 6 year olds (advanced).

The 13-15 division has also been split into 13 prep and

14-15 year olds. By splitting this age group 13 year old players will no longer have to compete against 15 year olds. Additionally this split allows a more realistic opportunity for the 12 year old swing player to play on both a Major division roster and a 13 prep roster, This

allowing for more games at a higher level of competitive play without having to face 15 year old pitchers. If interested, please designate your 12 year old as a "swing player" in the special request section of your registration.

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CYBSA will seek to implant in the youth of the community ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage and reverence, so they may be finer, stronger and happier youths who will grow to be good, clean, healthy adults.

Did You Know...

It always helps us to understand the way we do things if we know a little about the past.

In a way the rule book is a history of the game. The rules reflect some of the plays and experiences of the past and the changes that were made as a result. William Ellsworth Hoy came to the big leagues as a 27-year-old rookie in 1888. He was immediately given the nickname "Dummy" - not because he was stupid, but because he was a deaf mute. He is credited with home plate umpires raising their right arm to signal a strike since he could not hear the call. Soon all umpires began to signal strikes for batters, which made it easier for fans to follow the action.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Lifeblood of any youth program is its volunteers which applies to CYBSA. Without our volunteers, our program cannot function. Working together, individuals can bring about great changes for our community and children.

CYBSA is in dire need of volunteers for a variety of positions, including but not limited to: Board Members, Manager/Head Coach, Assistant Coach, Team Parent, Scorekeeper, Opening Event, End of Season Picnic, and 2009 State Tournament. If interested in joining our CYBSA family of volunteers, please indicate which position you would like to volunteer for in the parents information section of your child's registration .

Additional information on board positions

can be found on the CYBSA website.

due to normal attrition and vacancies representing softball interests CYBSA is in need of girls fast-pitch softball board members. Individuals are needed to serve in key positions such as Vice-President of Softball and CYBSA Liaison to S.E. Denver Softball. If interested in becoming a member of the CYBSA Board of Directors, please contact CYBSA Commissioner Randy Seifert at 720-249-7696.