

CYBSA NEWS

CENTENNIAL YOUTH BASEBALL-SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

2009 REGISTRATION BEGINS JANUARY 2ND

“**Early Registration**” begins Friday, January 2nd and runs through February 15th. Register early to receive a discount on registration fees and secure a roster spot with consideration given to special requests. Please remember special requests are subject to availability. Registration is fast and easy at www.centennialbaseball.com . Registration fees can be paid by credit card, debit card or e-check.



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Special points of interest:

- * January 2nd
- * All Coaches require Certification
- * Written by Greg Hall
- * Become a volunteer.

COACH CERTIFICATION

As a condition of eligibility to coach in CYBSA and Babe Ruth League, Inc., all coaches must receive certification prior to the first practice of the 2009 season. New coaches (including assistant coaches) and/or returning coaches not yet certified must complete the online course.

Response to the 2008 Coaches Certification program was tremendous and very well received. Certification costs \$19.95 and has been upgraded from a three year term to a lifetime certification.

The abundance of

information and tips available to coaches upon completion of the course and final exam far exceeds the cost of the certification course. The online course is easy, informative, and well worth the time spent.

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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.

Baseball is...

By Greg Hall

Baseball is grass, chalk, and dirt displayed the same yet differently
In every park that has ever heard the words play ball.
Baseball is a passion that bonds and divides all those who know it.
Baseball is a pair of hands stained with newsprint,
A set of eyes squinting to read a boxscore,
A brow creased in an attempt to recreate a three-hour game
From an inch square block of type.
Baseball is the hat I wear to mow the lawn.
Baseball is a simple game of catch
and the never-ending search for the perfect knuckleball.
Baseball is [Willie](#) vs [Mickey](#), [Gibson](#) vs [Koufax](#), and [Buddy Biancalana](#) vs the odds.
Baseball links Kansan and Missourian, American and Japanese,
But most of all father and son.
Baseball is the scent of spring,
The unmistakable sound of a double down the line,
And the face of a 10-year-old emerging from a pile of bodies
With a worthless yet priceless foul ball.
Baseball is a language of very simple words that tell unbelievably magic tales.
Baseball is three brothers in the same uniform on the same team for one brief summer
Captured forever in a black and white photo on a table by the couch.
Baseball is a glove on a shelf, oiled and tightly wrapped,
Slumbering through the stark winter months.
Baseball is a breast pocket bulging with a transistor radio.
Baseball is the reason there are transistor radios.
Baseball is a voice in a box describing men you've never met,
In a place you've never been,
Doing things you'll never have the chance to do.
Baseball is a dream that you never really give up on.
Baseball is precious.
Baseball is timeless.
Baseball is forever.

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.