



# Bridgeville Athletic Association

## Things to Know....

- 2011 Board of Directors of the Bridgeville Athletic Association

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MORE DIRECTORS NEEDED....VOLUNTEER TO HELP YOUR CHILD'S ORGANIZATION SUCCEED!

- For the most updated information possible....check out our website [www.bridgevilleball.com](http://www.bridgevilleball.com)
- **Dates to Remember –**
  - Clinic information –
    - See Bianco Flier for more information including the famous T-Ball & Pre-T clinic
  - First two General Session Meetings February 17<sup>th</sup> and March 17<sup>th</sup> 8:00 at Bridgeville Borough Building
  - Super Bingo March 13<sup>th</sup> – Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department
  - Required Coaches Clinic – Bianco School of Baseball – March 12<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm
  - Pictures (April 16, 2010) – **We will be collecting can foods for the FOOD BANK**
  - Practice begins March 28<sup>th</sup> (weather permitting)
  - Season begins April 25<sup>th</sup> (weather permitting) Regular Season ends June 26<sup>th</sup>
  - Community Day June 18<sup>th</sup> – Final T-Ball & Pre-T Game
  - Movie Nights – Chartiers Park - May 21<sup>st</sup>, June 11<sup>th</sup>, Aug 13<sup>th</sup>
- **Responsibility for Parents whose children make All Stars**

The BAA will be playing in home and away tournaments in the month of July. If your child is selected to participate, below is the information for the games:

  - Practice will begin mid June or sooner, the games will be played immediately after play-offs.
  - We will host a weekend in Bridgeville, and join an away tournament for a weekend (if all players are available).
  - There will be a required \$50 deposit for each child playing on one of the All Star teams. However, a parent or guardian may receive a refund of those fees once you complete 6 work shifts during your child's home tournament have been performed, this can include; announcing a game, field prep. before and after a game, scorekeeping and score boarding, and concession stand duty.
  - Other than the \$50 refundable fee, all other expenses are paid by the BAA. This would include but not limited to entrance fees for travel tournaments, trophies, and tournament uniforms if applicable.
  - The tournament schedules will be given with as much notice as possible; we ask if you can, please make every effort to be available for the games.

Please remember, we are a non profit – volunteer based organization, your participation is vital in creating a positive experience for the All-star kids of the BAA.

- **Play Baseball or Softball in Bridgeville for just about FREE!**

In order to keep rising costs affordable for all the ball players in the community we rely on the generosity of our sponsors. We work hard to recruit and retain the local businesses that support the BAA but our efforts can use your help! We are looking for NEW sponsors to join our already wonderful group of organizations and individuals. Possibly you know of a relative or parent who would be interested, your company or the company you work for may want to sponsor....you get the idea

Here is the program; if you bring a NEW sign sponsor to our organization for the standard three year agreement your child receives a \$25 check to refund back toward your registration fees or that new glove your son or daughter wanted or new spikes for the upcoming season. (up to 3 NEW sponsors per child)

The new sponsor will receive a 4 ft. x 4 ft. metal sign with logo and slogan of their choice placed on the fences at our Chartiers Park fields, recognition in all of the PlayBall! newsletters and most importantly the great feeling of helping out the boys and girls of our community.

- **Act 34 Coach Requirement**

Any parent/guardian wanting to Manage, Coach or assist on the field during practices or games is required to pay the \$10 to allow the BAA to process an Act 34 Clearance from the PA State Police Department. For the safety of our Children, parents are not permitted to aid with their child's team unless this form is processed. Managers will be required to monitor this once the Board supplies each team with their approved list of parents/guardians and coaches. All clearances must be renewed every two years. If you currently have a copy of your valid Act 34 Clearance form, please present a copy to the BAA Board for verification.

- Your Registration Fee includes player's uniform which include keeping pants for all players including all T-Ball
- General Session Meetings will be the **Third Thursday of every month** except December
- \$5 membership fee goes towards expenses accrued for monthly Play Ball! Newsletters and other related items to communicate to the General Session Membership of the BAA and general public.
- BAA is looking for in-house and certified umpires. Contact Rick Carlson (412-221-6147) for more information.
- **Voting and Eligibility Requirements to be a BAA Director**

Elections of officers and directors will be yearly, following the September General Membership Meeting. The ballot format will be used, if more than one (1) person is running for the same position. A majority vote, from the eligible members present will rule (a majority consists of one more than half of those eligible members present), all blank ballots will be ignored and not counted. Only eligible members can vote. To be eligible to vote in the annual elections a member must have attended at least three (3) General Membership meetings, prior to the elections and within the current BAA year. To run for a position on the Board of Directors as an officer (President, Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary) or as a Director, a member must have attended a minimum of five (5) General Membership meetings prior to the elections and also within the current BAA year. To be eligible to hold the office of President, Vice President or Treasurer of the association, a member must have attended a minimum of five (5) General membership meetings and must have also served on the BAA Board for a minimum of one (1) year. That service must have occurred within the last three (3) calendar years starting with the current year.

- **Are you interested in joining the BAA Executive Board? Here are the current requirements:**

The activities of the association shall be directed by a Board of Directors consisting of eleven (11) members, which shall include six (6) directors, four (4) officers and one (1) commissioner appointed by the ten (10) persons elected at the annual elections. Six (6) directors shall be elected by the membership for a two (2) year term. Three (3) directors shall be elected each year for a two (2) year term. The directors shall be elected following the September General Membership meeting. Officers of the association shall be: President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. The officers shall be elected for a one (1) year term. They will be elected following the September General Membership meeting. To be eligible to hold the office of President, Vice President or Treasurer of the BAA, a member must have attended a minimum of five (5) General membership meetings and must have also served on the BAA Board for a minimum of one (1) year. That service must have occurred within the last three (3) calendar years starting with the current year. A director shall hold office for a two (2) year term and officers shall hold office for a one (1) year term. No officer or director shall be eligible for more than two (2) consecutive terms in their current position. Any member who has served more than (½) a term in any office shall be deemed to have served a term.

## **A note from the Commissioner:**

I am sure you are all looking forward to another action packed, fun filled season of ball as I am!

I wanted to share an outline of sorts to alleviate some of the more common questions asked by our association.

### Tee Ball and Pre-T

- Your coach will contact you sometime in early March.
- There will be two (2) one hour practices per week from March 30<sup>th</sup> till May 1<sup>st</sup>. All practices will be at Cook School and your coach will tell you the times soon.
- The 8 game season begins May 2<sup>nd</sup> till June 20<sup>th</sup>, all games are Saturday mornings/early afternoons at Chartiers Park. Games are approximately 1:00 to 1:30 minutes long.
- Your coach may furnish a schedule, however, the master schedules will be posted in the concession stand and on our website WWW.BRIDGEVILLEBALL.COM
- Game rain outs on Saturday will be made up Sunday in the afternoon.
- Should the weekend be a complete rain out, the game is encouraged to be made up, but not mandatory (at the coach's discretion). The make up game may be an evening game "under the lights" during the week.
- Uniforms, bats and helmets are furnished. Gloves and spikes (shoes) are not.
- Every player receives a trophy at the end of the last game of the season.

### Baseball and Softball 7-15 years old.

- There will be two 1-1/2 hour practices per week from March 30<sup>th</sup> till May 1<sup>st</sup>; all practices will be at Chartiers Park either 5:00-6:30 pm, or 6:30-8:00 pm weekdays or any time on the weekends.
- The season starts April 26<sup>th</sup>; it will be a 12 to 16 game schedule depending on the age, and group. Half the games will be played at Chartiers Park, half will be away.
- Rain outs are mandatory to make up.
- If your child is selected for All Stars in Late June/July, there will be no additional fees.
- Should a player not be available for a game, **PLEASE** let your coach know (even if it is game day). There is a required number of players needed to play, or the game will be deemed a forfeit. The coach can substitute a call up to fill the team, but they must know in advance.

### All groups

- **A parent or guardian must be at the ball field at all times while you child is practicing or playing. If you leave, you must take your child with you. The coaches are an all-volunteer group, they are not a sitting service, nor are the trained by the BAA in first aid. Injury's, although rare, do occur, believe me, a child does not want their coach, they want their loved one should this happen.**

The information above is to be used as a guideline only. With the variables of weather, field availability, no play dates, and the other associations we play, the information above may change.

Have a fun season, and I will see you at the park!

Rick Carlson  
BAA Commissioner