



California 4 Little League



September 19, 2017

Volume 27, Issue 1

<http://llcad4.org>

Little League - Intermediate Division - Junior League - Senior League - Challenger Division



California 4 Little League

Ted Boet – District Administrator

925.494.2234 925.367.3216©
llcad4@gmail.com

Larry Anderson – UIC Emeritus

Geoffrey Shiu – ADA

510.758.2865 510.882.6917©
MIB17@comcast.net

Don Waddell – UIC

925.938.1558 925.788-6346©
llcad4uic@gmail.com

Liz Berg – Safety Officer

510.701.8637©
RocketLiz@gmail.com

Marco Rosen – Little League Baseball

925.334.0974©
marcowrosen@yahoo.com

Dave Preuss – Baseball

510.521.7985(b) 510-414-4467©
DPreuss@pslmarketing.com

Phil Raines – Softball

925.270.9905©
philraines@sbcglobal.net

Stephen Mohammed Sr – Challenger

925.779.1420 925.478.1464©
Flint-Fisher@msn.com

Carla Moore - Secretary

925.427.5222 925.207.1192©
SewCarla2@gmail.com

"Win With Dignity, Lose With Class"
Ted Boet - 2010



California 4 Finances

-September Statement-

Opening Balance	60,337.70
Umpire Clinic	150.00
Umpire Clinic	334.99
Senior WR Program	2,000.00
Junior WR Program	2,000.00
April Dinner	440.44
Jamboree Supplies	128.88
May Dinner	15.10
Tournament Banners	1,833.63
Jamboree Portables	573.73
Jamboree Supplies	25.71
Jamboree Supplies	23.64
Jamboree Tables & Chairs	776.89
Jamboree Truck Rental	153.78
Western Region Dinner	250.00
Bank Fees	3.00
Jamboree Food	1,946.40
Shipping	17.15
All-Star Bracket Printing	53.29
May Dinner	921.11
Wilson Awards	16,390.47
Shipping	12.75
Verification Supplies	58.69
All-Star Handbooks	1,576.88
Bank Fees	3.00
Verification Lunch & Dinner	200.71
Luncheon Tables & Chairs	250.00
Delta Tournament Luncheon	126.69
NorCal Tournament Bunting	140.73
Western Region Donation	100.00
Western Region Donation	200.00
Bank Fees	3.00
NorCal Tournament Luncheon	409.00
DA Travel	1,244.70
Wilson Awards	2,072.97
Tournament Shirts	813.21
Umpire Meeting	160.00
Luncheon Tables	215.00
Umpire Hats	1,425.08
Umpire Hats	32.00
Pre Tournament Meeting	220.77
Bank Fees	3.00
NorCal Tournament Programs	1,711.27
Bank Fees	3.00
Ending Balance	22,627.04



California 4 Tournaments

-TOC Baseball Champions-

AA Minors	Walnut Creek
AAA Minors	South Oakland
Major League	Antioch
Intermediate 50-70	Alameda
Junior League	Albany

-TOC Softball Champions-

AAA Minors	Pinole Hercules
Major League	Antioch
Senior League	Pittsburg



-All-Star Baseball District Champions-

8-10	Lafayette
9-11	Alameda
10-12	Alameda
Intermediate 50-70	Alameda
Junior League	NOLL/SOLL
Senior League	NOLL/SOLL/Albany

Alameda was the Intermediate 50/70 Section 1 Champions.

NOLL/SOLL was the Junior League Northern California Champions.

NOLL/SOLL/Albany was the Senior League Northern California Champions.



-All-Star Softball District Champions-

8-10	East County
9-11	CVLL/CALL
10-12	East County
Senior League	Antioch

East County was the 9-11 Northern California Champions.

Antioch was the Senior League Northern California Champions.



DA's Desk

-Fall Ball-

Leagues operating a Training & Development (Fall Ball) programs are reminded that volunteers who did **NOT** submit a Volunteer Application, complete a proper background check and wish to volunteer during the 2017 Fall Ball and Training & Development season are required to do so before they may take on responsibility with the league. Completed background checks are to be securely cataloged. Upon successful completion of the background checks Social Security Numbers are to be **"BLACKED OUT"**.

-League Constitution-

Local Little Leagues should review their league constitution at their Annual General Membership Meeting. If the General Membership propose any changes the proposed constitution must be sent to the Region Center for approval before any of the changes may be implemented. A copy of the approved constitution must be sent to Ted Boet. If there are no changes to a league constitution inform Ted Boet the local league is operating under the current constitution.

-Local League By-Laws-

Local league rules **Are Not** in effect until approved by Ted Boet.

Local League By-Laws are established each year by the newly formed 2018 Board at the beginning of the season. These local By-Laws must be sent to Ted Boet for review and approval before a local league may implement any of the By-Laws for the 2018 Season.

-League Charter-

Any community wishing to re-charter with Little League Baseball and Softball, will do so via the Little League Data Center. By logging into the Little League Data Center, and using your league's ID Number.....the chartering process will remain virtually the same as in past seasons. A charter application has been specifically created for each league, along with the related insurance information. All of the charter and insurance fees may also be processed online.



DA's Desk

-Combined Teams Request-

Not enough players to form a team....or enough teams for a division? Consider a request form for Combined Teams. This form is used by leagues in which there are not enough players to field a team or when there are enough players to field one team, but not enough for two. In either case, two or more leagues could use an approved Combined Teams Request Form to pool their players, and select the teams from among all players in the pool. The leagues could also request permission to allow a combination for Tournament Play.

-2018 Contact Information-

To assist local chartered Little Leagues have a successful season Headquarters provides a valuable amount of administrative information throughout the year. Local leagues are asked to visit the Little League Data Center (<http://www.littleleague.org/datacenter>) to update their league officers and their contact information by September 30th.

-Vendors Night-

2018 Vendors Night is scheduled for 7pm, October 17, 2017, This is a great opportunity for leagues to have their directors responsible for fundraising, team & field equipment, team photos, snack bar, umpire equipment, team uniforms, etc. to meet the experts. Vendors have been providing their service to youth leagues for many years. They can answer your questions and provide you with the latest products.

-Communications-

District 4 League Presidents Meetings are monthly meetings. Important time sensitive topics are shared with league representatives. These meetings also offers a great opportunity for league representatives to ask questions or share solutions to problems they have encountered in their own local leagues. Meetings are opened to all league members that are in good standing within their local league in District 4 and is very important for all leagues to be represented. Information learned from these meeting reported back to the membe



DA's Desk

-Northern California State Meeting-

California District 8 will host the 2018 Northern California State Meeting on Saturday, September 30th, at the Oakland Coliseum, Oakland. Please forward any questions or concerns you would like Ted to address to the Northern California District Administrators.

-A Little League Volunteer-

Little League Baseball and Softball is an organization designed to build good citizens. It is a program of leadership, preparing today's youth to be tomorrow's leaders. At the local level, Little League relies on a devoted legion of adult volunteers to help ensure that the organization remains structured and runs smoothly. Your local Little League program is always looking for responsible and enthusiastic individuals to support and coordinate Little League events and activities. As a volunteer, you should have a keen interest in the safety, well-being, and overall development of children.

Anyone can apply to become a volunteer. Whatever talents or skills you have, we can use them! Across the county, volunteers are grandparents, siblings, aunts and uncles, retirees, community leaders, former Little Leaguers, friends, neighbors, and more. Any community member who wishes to become a volunteer may apply.

All parents of children involved in Little League Baseball and Softball are strongly encouraged to volunteer. As a parent, volunteer, you have the opportunity to spend quality time with your child in a safe, fun-filled environment. Volunteering allows your life and your child's life to intersect on common ground, with shared interests and goals.

A 2018 Little League Volunteer Application form must be completed and Background Check approved before a volunteer assume his/her duties in the league as a volunteer.





ADA Reports

Liz Berg, Safety ADA

California 4 was recognized for another 100% season at the Annual "A Safety Awareness Plan" Awards Luncheon in Williamsport, PA. Congratulations to all leagues for having their league safety plans approved by Headquarters. The National winner for having the best overall 'A Safety Awareness Plan' was Granada Little League from our neighboring District 57.

David Preuss, Baseball ADA

Once again David Preuss will oversee CA4 District Interleague Big Diamond Baseball for leagues chartered in 50/70, Junior League, and Senior League. League presidents are asked to forward contact information for their 2017 Big Diamond Directors to David Preuss.

Marco Rosen, LLBB ADA

Ted Boet has appointed Marco Rosen to join his CA4 Staff and oversee the Little League Baseball programs in District 4. Marco started his Little League career as a player and later as a volunteer manager and umpire with Walnut Creek Little League. His passion now is umpiring, but he just loves all aspect of Little League. Marco is a Little League volunteer umpire and member of the C4UA Training Staff.

Stephen Mohammed, Challenger ADA

Stephen Mohammed is the new Challenger ADA for Ted Boet. Stephen started his Little League career with Martinez in '77, moved to Clayton Valley in '95, and then on to Antioch in '06. Stephen served as president in all three leagues and was a C4UA umpire.

Phil Raines, Softball ADA-

Phil Raines was appointed by Ted Boet to join his staff. He brings 30+ years of youth sports experience to administer the CA4 Softball programs. Currently CA4 Softball programs include Mini Minors, Minors, Majors, Juniors, and Seniors for CA4 interleague play.

-Carla Moore, Secretary-

Following information are due at the October District Meeting on the 17th.

- Copies of 2016 Tax Returns to Ted.
- Board contact information to Ted.
- Point of Contact to respective ADA.



The Third Team

-Don Waddell, DUIC- -Tournament Umpires-

Don Waddell, CA4 UIC, would like to thank all leagues for their volunteer umpires during the 2017 Special Games, TOC, and All Star tournaments. Together CA4 provided umpires for over 300 games, with over 100 different volunteers working these games. Once again CA4 proved we have an outstanding volunteer umpire program.

-District 4 Umpire Training-

The C4UA Training Staff will once again offer several events to help leagues meet their needs for rules and umpire mechanics training. These clinics are the best way to get your umpires and other volunteers trained with instruction from experienced instructors who know the Little League methods. Please contact Don Waddell if a local league would like to host a Rules or Field Clinic in 2018.

Rules Clinics: February 14th & 21st. Two, 3 hour, classroom sessions. Clinic instructors will be knowledgeable in Little League rules. Perfect clinic for your managers, coaches, umpires and others who want to know more about the rules.

Field Mechanics Clinic: February 10th. A half day clinic designed to teach the 2-umpire mechanics responsibilities and basic skills for the small diamond. The right clinic for new umpires and for those who want to prepare for the new season.

Junior Umpire Clinic: March 4th. A full day designed to teach the youth umpire what they need to have a great experience on the field. Clinic instruction is tailored for the youth learning needs.

Tournament Umpire Clinic: May 20th. A half day clinic to prepare your umpires for the tournament season

-Western Region Training-

Following training opportunities will be available at the Western Region Center for the 2018 Season. Registration opens on **October 1, 2017.**

- Dec. 8-10, 2017 UIC Clinic
- Jan. 26-28, 2018 Rules Clinic #1
- Feb. 9-11, 2018 Rules Clinic #2
- Feb. 9-11 2018 Mechanics Clinic
- Feb 24-March 2, 2018 Academy

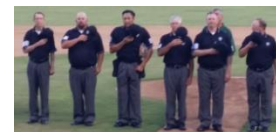


-League Chief Umpire-

It is highly recommended that all local leagues have a volunteer umpire on their local Board...typically the League Chief Umpire in a voting position. The LCU should be responsible for the management of the league's umpire programs, including recruitment of umpires, training, assignments, supporting post season tournaments and ensuring that teams have the suitable experience level of umpires for their games.

It is also recommended local leagues establish a budget for the LCU that includes funds for training, protective equipment, and recognition awards for their volunteer umpires. If a league decides to use "paid umpires" the budget must include those costs.

A local league should not make the mistake of letting managers or division coordinators handle umpire issues. Volunteer umpires need an umpire voice on the Board.



-A Volunteer Little League Umpire-

It is a fallacy to believe that paid association umpires are better than volunteers. I'm a volunteer because there is a need and I want to do my part to support the league. A paid umpire only shows up because he/she is being paid to be there. Association umpires often do not know rules that are specific to Little League.....especially safety rules.

Volunteer umpires can be recruited the same way coaches are obtained. Advertise in local newspapers, recruit at registration, reach out to high school students to satisfy their community service graduation requirements, etc.

Volunteer umpires can be trained. Have them attend district rules and mechanics clinics. Region centers offer weekend and extensive weeklong training.

Nothing more gratifying than giving back to my community, while having fun with other umpires who are in it for the same reason that I am...to help children learn life lessons. This is my vocation.....

A Volunteer Little League Umpire.

2018 Little League National Sponsors

Today, a select group of companies have earned the right to call themselves "Official Sponsors" of Little League. These companies have displayed a commitment to the children of Little League and to the ideals Little League hopes to instill in children around the world. Little League thanks each of these special companies and congratulates them on their commitment to the world's youth.

