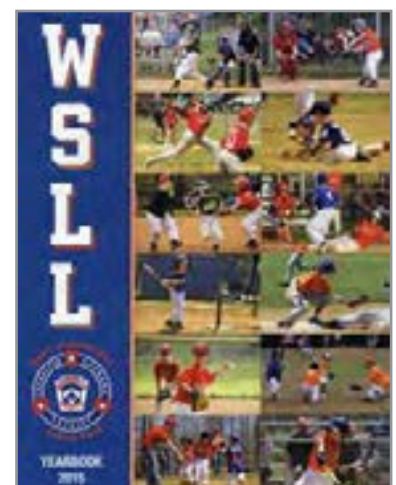
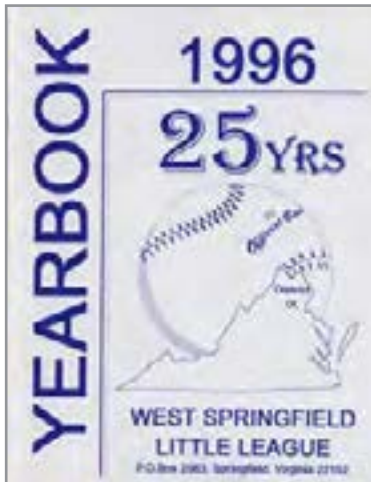


West Springfield Little League Yearbook 2021



50th

Anniversary Edition



I Trust In God
I Love My Country
And Will Respect Its Laws



I Will Play Fair, And Strive To Win
But Win Or Lose, I Will Always Do My Best

– Little League Pledge

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WSLL President Mike Warbel

Dear WSLP Families and Members,

Thank you for making another year of WSLP baseball a fantastic one. This year was especially hard with the many pandemic-related restrictions we had to endure. Thanks to you all, we minimized risks and successfully played a full season at every level of play. Though our registration numbers dipped a little this year, the excitement on the field did not. Every division was competitive. Please enjoy this book as a special memento of an awesome season. For the approximately 85 players who played their last Little League game this year, we wish you the best and expect great things from you young men and women as you move on to middle school and high school. Come back to visit us at Byron! To the hundreds of kids who will be returning, we'll see you next year!

Regards

Mike Warbel, WSLP President

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History of West Springfield Little League

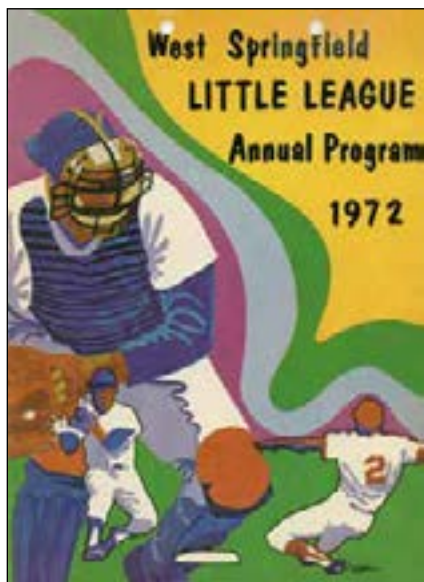
By John Monaco

When it all Started –

Spirited by a group of civic-minded area residents, headed by Harry Wood, Vic Aldridge, Bill Abrams, Jim Owens, Kent Browning, Ray Ramsey, and Frank Walston, Little League Baseball was first introduced to the youth of Springfield in 1954, although it was not a franchised Little League organization at that time. Four teams consisting of 60 boys were organized and transported to Annandale to play in that league in 1954. Initial equipment was obtained from the then small number of community merchants and from the fathers themselves.

Franchised Little League came to Springfield a year later in 1955 with the granting of a charter to the local group by the National Little League Headquarters in Williamsport, Pennsylvania. The league's first president was Kent Browning. More than 150 boys were registered to play that year. The area franchised included all of what is now considered Springfield proper.

The popularity of the program, along with the area population, grew by leaps and bounds until it became necessary in 1962 to split up the groups, thus giving birth to the North Springfield Little League which received a franchise and became a separate league.



The program in the central part of Springfield continued to expand in numbers into the middle 1960's, with 16 Major League teams and 24 Minor League teams. In 1971, following a tremendous population explosion in the West Springfield area, and the growth of the league to more than 1,150 players, it was necessary to once again split the league.

The West Springfield Little League (WSLL) began its first season as an independent league in 1972 with over 730 boys scheduled to play 21 games and leaving 475 players in what is now the Central Springfield Little League.

Charlie Clark, the first WSLL president, the first WSLL Board



of Directors, and the support of the first Parents Auxiliary under President Danni Aloï can be credited for laying the foundation for what has become one of the best Little Leagues in Virginia. The initial officers in the League were: President Charlie Clark, Vice President Kim Chandler, Treasurer Ham Jenkins, Secretary Paul Manning, and Player Agent Steve Aloï.



Home of WSLL sign

Prior to the start of the initial season, the League became incorporated, adopted a Constitution and Local Rules, obtained Little League Charter and prepared a calendar of events and game schedule. Additionally, numerous physical improvements were made including:

- (1) Construction of two new ball fields
- (2) Installation of dugouts for all 5 fields
- (3) Complete fencing on all fields
- (4) Construction of storage shed
- (5) Installation of 4 scoreboards
- (6) Anti-flood dike to prevent erosion

- (7) Contract installation of asphalt road
- (8) Concession stand
- (9) Sponsor construction of four fields at elementary schools
- (10) Sponsor improvement of two fields at elementary schools

In 1974, the Board established two major leagues instead of one and authorized the players to select the all-star teams. That same year in the District 9 all star finals West American defeated West National 5-3. That league structure remained until 1977, when we only chartered one Major League due to a reduction in the number of players.

In 1979, the Accotink fields were purchased by the county and dedicated to the exclusive use of WSSL and the Springfield Youth Club.

After more than 30 years of sharing Byron Avenue Park with the Springfield Youth Club football program, a historic event took place in 2009 – West Springfield Little League received notice that it would have year-round use of the complex. This announcement came after five years of work and negotiations with Fairfax County. We owe Keith Klindworth a huge thank-you for the countless number of hours he worked on this. Thanks also to Steve Gillingham, past President of WSSL, and Eddie Garretson, President of Springfield Challenger, who both have been a source of support and encouragement in this long process to gain year-round access to the Byron Avenue fields.

Editor’s note: Prior to acquiring the fields year-round, at the end of each season we had to dismantle the baseball fields, including taking down of all fences and then in the spring convert the fields from a football facility into baseball fields. This included reinstalling fences, building pitching mounds, reforming infields, and repairing/reseeding outfields from football wear and tear. Not only was this a large expense but also required hundreds of volunteer man-hours.

The league continued to grow over the years and in 1991 the league was divided into the American and National leagues when nearly 1,200 boys and girls played on 100 teams in the two leagues between 1993 through 1998.

Beginning in 1997, we changed our draft system by adopting the “Common Pool” method. This resulted in a better balance of candidates available to each league and offered a better chance of equal talent distribution between the 2 leagues. It alleviated problems caused by population shifts using a geographic boundary to determine the candidates for each league.

Also, in 1997 we introduced Little League baseball to 5-year-olds with our own 5T level of play. We had 6 teams in its initial season. That same year, with the help and materials from Virginia Power, batting cages were installed at Byron.

In 2013 West Springfield introduced 50/70’ baseball as part of our Fall Baseball Program and in 2018 introduced Intermediate Baseball as part of our Spring program.

In 2016 the League introduced Byronfest, a fun filled family outing for all. It included a skills competition for the kids, an adult softball game, and other fun events. The most popular fun event was the dunk tank where parents and kids got a chance to dunk managers and coaches in the tank. The most popular was the league president. Byronfest was suspended in 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic.

Challenger Baseball Begins

In 1993, under the direction of Pat McCormick and Eddie Garretson, WSSL and Central Springfield Little League jointly fielded our first Challenger baseball team for children with physical and mental disabilities. At that time, we had only 9 ball players. Since then, we have grown to over 250 players and have been recognized by Little League Baseball as having the largest Challenger Baseball program in the world. In 2001, Springfield Challenger played T-Ball at the White House in front of President George Bush. Also, that year, Eddie Garretson was awarded the Little League Challenger Volunteer of the Year Award at the Little League World Series in Williamsport. Congratulations Eddie!!!

Springfield Challenger was honored again on August 29, 2009, when they were invited to play at the 2009 Little League World Series in Williamsport, PA before the U.S. Little League and International Little League Championship Games. They played a team from Lackawanna Little League in Scranton, PA. In 2010, Springfield Challenger was a news story on Good Morning America television program.

Field Enhancements –



New Scoreboard at Yankee

During the 1988 season, PEPSI donated the league’s first electronic scoreboard thanks to the efforts of Auxiliary President L.V. Clovis. Also, that year a press box building

was constructed. Mr. Skip Shankle, a WSLL board member at the time and owner of Virginia Clay Products, generously donated the cinder block for the building, making its construction possible.

In 1995, realizing the need to accommodate a very large program, WSLL undertook its largest single season expenditure to date (\$60,000) by adding lights to Wrigley Field and Yankee Stadium, and began playing night games.

In 1996, we celebrated our 25th anniversary with over 1,200 ball players representing 97 teams. That same year we started the “John Monaco / George Pedersen Volunteer of the Year Award” and honored Tony Musco with over 48 years of Little League Service.

Prior to the 1998 season, local merchant Ron Devine, in conjunction with Coca Cola, donated new electronic scoreboards on both Wrigley Field and Yankee Stadium. That same year WSLL hosted the 9/10-year-old District 9 Tournament. Several years later the Leach Family donated a new scoreboard for Yankee Stadium

In the winter of 1998-99, in preparation to host the 1999 9/10-year-old State All Star Tournament, WSLL and Fairfax County undertook a major renovation of the Byron Avenue complex including field and backstop replacement, new fencing, and provisions for additional parking in the area behind Forbes and Three Rivers stadiums. That same year we introduced our first web site and in 2018 we did on-line registration for the first time.

In the spring of 2000, WSLL participated in a “matching funds” program with Fairfax County and together built a new ball field at the old Burke Elementary School site. The development of Fenway Park at Burke School has occurred through the combined efforts of a number of groups and individuals who foresaw the possibility for a new field at the school acted upon that idea and made real that possibility. Their foresight, and the dedication of the individuals who oversaw and performed many of the improvements at the field, has resulted in a youth baseball field that will be enjoyed by the youth of Burke, Springfield, and Fairfax Station for many years to come. Many thanks to Rick Muehleib and George Pederson for spearheading its development. (See history of Fenway Park at Burke below,)



Opening day with the football scoreboard



The Old Equipment Storage

Prior to the 2003 season we upgraded the equipment storage trailers with connex shipping containers with the assistance of Dave Frazier, WSLL board member.

With the year-round use at Byron, the league, in cooperation with Fairfax County, undertook another major renovation of Yankee Stadium prior to the 2010 season. Improvements included relocating home plate, professional re-grading of the infield, new backstops, and more. The renovation efforts with the county continued for the 2011 season. Wrigley field was completely overhauled as once again improvements included relocating home plate, professional re-grading of the infield, new backstops, and moving the fences back to 210 feet and configuring the field for travel baseball teams to play at Byron.



Reconstruction at Wrigley

Prior to the 2017 season, under the direction of Board member Shawn James, WSLL with the help of a Fairfax County Grant, invested nearly \$80,000 in capital improvement to the fields at the Byron Avenue complex and Fenway Park. Improvements included re grading all of the infields and replacing all of the infield grass on Yankee, Wrigley, Ebbets, Forbes, and Fenway. Additionally, a new backstop was installed along with new dugouts on Yankee. New scoreboards were installed on Yankee, Wrigley and Ebbets. Thanks to the Leach Family for donating the new scoreboard on Yankee.



After being out of commission for several years, Fairfax County worked with WSLC to refurbish 3-Rivers Field. In 2020, new backstops and fencing were installed along with tons of new infield dirt. The field was also renamed Phillips Field after Charlie Phillips who passed away that year. For 41 years, Charlie managed and coached WSLC teams, leaving an indelible impression on our community and multiple generations of players. The field was commemorated in his name on opening day of the 2021 season.



Phillips Field - Commemorative Plaque

Prior to the 2022 season, WSLC upgraded the equipment storage containers with connex shipping containers thanks to a grant from the Davis Elkins Foundation through the efforts of Dave Frazier, a former WSLC Board member.



Accotink Creek floods Byron Avenue

The Byron Avenue complex sits on the shores of Accotink Creek. The creek has played an unfriendly role in the history of WSLC. Hurricane Agnes caused extensive damage to our facilities as the water level rose to four feet inside the concession stand. The community rallied to support WSLC as hundreds of volunteers assisted to repair the flood damage.

The 1989 season was a season of irony. WSLC installed an underground sprinkler system in a cooperative agreement with the Springfield Youth Club. Before the system was needed, flash flooding caused Accotink Creek to rise and overflow its banks. Water levels reached eight feet on Three Rivers Stadium and nearly three feet in the concession stand. Damage was extensive to the concession stand inventory. Fences, bleachers and infield dirt were washed away. A tremendous outpouring of unsolicited volunteers working long hours put the devastated fields back together in a single weekend to save the season for the youngsters. The creek rose again on June 26, 2006, at the time WSLC was hosting the District 9 Tournament. There were thoughts of moving the tournament to another site but thanks to a huge turnout of volunteers the fields were recovered, and only opening round games had to be played at neighboring Central Springfield. Opening Day April 7, 2007, was cancelled due to SNOW (yes snow!!)



Snow Day for Little League

The following May 13, 2008, the creek rose one more time as a result of Hurricane Hanna causing the cancellation of many games but once again the impact was minimal as hundreds of volunteers restored the fields where the creek rose to the top of the roofs of the Wrigley field dugouts. We all remember the great snow of 2010 that caused a 2-week delay in the 2010 season. In September 2011 (on the eve of the Fall Baseball season) Tropical Storm Lee invaded Byron Park when the creek rose and left the fields under 10 feet of water that reached the top of the Wrigley field dugouts and was 6 feet high in the concession stand. The entire contents of the concession stand, including freezers, refrigerators, and grills were damaged and had to be replaced. All infield dirt was washed away and fencing and dugouts on 4 fields were destroyed. Over 4 tons of dirt was added to the infield on 3-Rivers Field (appropriately named). Together with the help of our friends at Fairfax County, who replaced the damaged perimeter fencing and dugouts and all the infield dirt, the season impact was minimized as our neighboring leagues absorbed most of the game schedule.

The COVID-19 Pandemic of 2020



Coaching during the pandemic

In mid-March 2020, two weeks after practices started, WSLL was required to suspend all activity as Fairfax County Park and school properties closed, and state law limiting the maximum size of groups gathering. As one group of the league's board helped secure our financial position, a group of about 20 coaches and parents worked through how the league would resume play. The return to play committee prepared the initial set of COVID protocols that outlined how little league baseball could be played in a global pandemic. By late May the Commonwealth of Virginia outlined rules for outdoor youth athletics, and in early June the leagues field permits were reinstated.

With return to play rules in hand, and field permits available, the WSLL board approved to resume the 2020 Majors season to allow LA12 players to get one last season. The board also approved a "Sandlot" season for AAA, AA and 1A baseball. Although a majority of Majors players returned for the "Covid Season," some families chose to sit out for a multitude of reasons. The result of this meant that some LA11 and LA10 players not on a majors roster were promoted to be a full season call up. Even with the call ups, the National League Dodgers and Pirates each lost enough players that the teams temporarily merged to be the Podgers. The "Covid Season" lasted about 6 months, with every team playing 10 games, followed by an end of season tournament, with a championship game broadcasted on Facebook Live. The sandlot season consisted of more than 60 games with more than 200 players playing at least one game.

WSLL continued to adjust the return to play rules in the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 seasons as state and local laws also changed.

All Stars --

The WSLL All-star teams have played an important part in the history of our league. Together our American and National League teams have won 45 District 9 Championships, 6 State Championships and 11 second place State Tournament finishes.

All Star Championship Highlights



The 1984 11/12 Year -Old All Star Team

The 1984 11/12-year-old All-Star team, managed by Bob Barthle, became the first WSLL team ever to advance to the Southern Region Tournament, in St. Petersburg Florida. That team defeated North Carolina in the opening round before being defeated by Tennessee in the second round. The games were broadcast over WEEL radio, marking the first (and probably only) broadcast of a WSLL baseball game.

In 1986 we returned to the Southern Region Tournament, managed by Charlie Phillips, and were defeated by Louisiana 1-0.

In 2003, the West American 11/12-year-old All-Star team (managed by Jerry Park) advanced to the semi-finals of the Southern Regional Tournament and were eliminated by a team from Buckhead, Georgia 7-3. This was the farthest any WSLL team had ever advanced in tournament play.

In 2005, the West American 11/12-year-old team (managed by Gary Engle) were eliminated from the Southern Regional Tournament. However, this team defeated a team from Florida that eventually won the Regional championship and advanced to Williamsport to play in the World Series.

9/11-year-olds

In 2004 Little League started the 1st tournament for 11-year-olds. (This was subsequently changed to 10/11 in 2006.) The West National 11-year-old team (managed by Mike Fountain) captured the 1st ever Virginia State championship.

In 2007 the American 10/11 team (managed by Gary Engle) won District 9 Championship and the Virginia State Championship.



The 2012 team (managed by Greg McIntyre) won the District Championship, and the Virginia State Championship winning 14 games in a row. They were eliminated in the semi-finals of the Southeast Region Tournament, losing to Florida 8-6 in 8 innings.

8/10-year-olds

In 1997 Little League introduced the 9/10 tournament. WSSL began participation in 1999 and West National won the District 9 championship that year and again in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2009. In 2002 and 2003 they finished second in the state. West American won the District titles in 2006, 2007, 2011 and 2012 where they finished second in the state.

Virginia State Tournament Runners-Up

11/12s: 1983, 2002 NL, 2004 NL, 2007 NL, 2013 AL

10/11s: 2008 AL

9/10s: 2000 NL, 2003 NL, 2011 AL, 2012 AL, 2018 AL

Of special note: WSSL All-Star teams have won all 3 District titles in 2007, 2009, 2013, 2014 and 2016. No other league in District 9 has won all three titles in a single year.

For a complete list of all WSSL All-star Championships see our most recent yearbook.

Fun Tournament –

I would be amiss if I did not recognize the success of our Fun tournament teams. Beginning in 1990 District 9 has held a Fun Tournament in addition to conducting All-star tournaments. Two separate tournaments are conducted: one for players ages 9-11 and the other for players 10-12. WSSL teams have had great success in these tournaments fielding numerous teams each year at each level and winning numerous championships. (Sorry for not remembering tournament winners.)

Honorary Volunteers –

Beginning in 2017 District 9 created the Tony Musco Award for “Significant Volunteer Service to Little League Baseball and District 9.” Tony retired from umpiring after 70 years behind the plate. Also, in 2017 he was recognized by Little League Baseball and threw out the first pitch at the Little League World Series that year.

West Springfield Little League Musco Award winners are: Tony Musco in 2017, Eddie Garretson in 2017, John Monaco in 2018 and Mike Olsavsky in 2019. Congratulations to each of these outstanding volunteers.

There are not many times in Little League when parents that volunteer to manage our teams stay in WSSL for a long time. We have been very fortunate to have had 2 individuals that have dedicated many years to WSSL. Charlie Phillips, who passed away in 2020, was a manager in WSSL for 40 years and similarly Joe Rozmeski, who retired after the 2021 season, managed teams for 25 years. We owe both of these men a great deal of gratitude for their baseball teaching skills that has influenced the way LL baseball is played today in West Springfield Little League.



Conclusion –

As you have read, WSSL started with support and dedication of a handful of individuals and has grown into one of the largest and best-organized sports programs in the area. We can all be proud of this organization and our association with it. It is still entirely a volunteer organization, and it is still run by individuals who believe in the youth of our community. There are many that have worked long and hard for the WSSL without publicity or “thanks.” These are dedicated people who seek no reward other than to help young people play baseball and grow mentally and physically. Perhaps that is their reward, to see a child make a first catch or get their first base hit. As you turn the pages of this yearbook, please take time to silently thank those who through the years helped to make it all possible.



So, to the managers, coaches, umpires, concession stand workers, team parents, board members, parents, and fans.... THANKS. And thanks also to the players, for without them, there would be no WSSL! If you ever doubt the reason for the existence of organized sports, just look around and you will no doubt see why a handful of people in 1972, led by Charlie Clark, thought the effort would be worthwhile.



History of Fenway Park

Children have played sports on Burke School property at least since 1937, when the main building to Burke School was built. For most of that time, however, no formal athletic facilities were present on Burke School property and the place where baseball was played was a very poor state of affairs. The original baseball field at Burke School was located basically where the present Fenway Park is, with home plate in the same general area. A too-small wire mesh backstop surrounded the plate, with overgrown bushes and small trees immediately behind the backstop. The field itself was severely sloped downward towards the school, and as a result, topsoil from the field was frequently washed away and large rocks revealed. These field conditions meant that the baseball field at Burke School could only be used by West Springfield Little League as a practice field, and not a very good one at that.

The Executive Vice-President of West Springfield Little League (WSSL) in the late 1990's was Rick Muehleib, who was keenly aware of the need for WSSL to develop permanent fields and of the potential for developing such a field at Burke School. He also was familiar with the various matching funds programs to upgrade athletic fields through the Fairfax County Government, and in 1999, he met with the Principal of Burke School, Susan Knecht, and Facilities Coordinator, Andy Muir, to discuss the possibility of working together to build a new baseball field meeting Little League specifications at Burke School. After that meeting, Mr. Muehleib wrote a matching grant proposal with the Fairfax County Recreation Department that included leveling and grading the field, fence-

ing the field, and installing an in-ground irrigation system.

In late 1999, work started with heavy construction equipment and several days were spent moving dirt and leveling the field. The field was first built to have a 150 ft fence; which Andy Muir identified as a clerical error, but then the problem was that there was a lack of soil to complete the job. Mr. Muir quickly negotiated for the donation of a large pile of excavated soil by D & A Construction, which had resulted from a building renovation at Burke School, and this fill soil provided the foundation on which the field could be developed.

In 2000-2001, the fence and irrigation systems were installed. This provided an environment in which the grass could be nurtured, and field use limited. It was quickly becoming apparent that the drainage of the field provided a playable field even after considerable rain, as some slope was built into the field to allow rainwater to easily drain off through the outfield. Casey Haines of the Fairfax County Government, Department of Community and Recreational Services, made available the resources for the installation of concrete pads, aluminum seats and benches in the spectator and dugout areas that provided both players and spectators with excellent conditions from which to watch the games.

In 2001, George Pedersen along with Dave Frazier of West Springfield Little League became involved in the development of the Burke field. He designed and supervised the installation of a batting cage, which was installed along the third base line, and the construction of new dugouts at the field. Mr. Pedersen personally supervised all of this work, most which was completed during the months of January and February 2003 when temperatures were often at or below freezing. In 2003, Colbert Roofing, Inc. generously donated the roofing for the dugouts.



Fenway Park at Burke



John Polcari WSLP President 2003, places sign at Fenway

The first West Springfield games were played on the newly refurbished Burke School field in 2003, and the field was later named Fenway Park in a dedication ceremony led by WSLP President John Polcari. Later in 2003 and in early 2004, improvements continued, again under the supervision of Mr. Pedersen and Mr. Muir. A problem had developed in the baseball infield because a settling of the original excavation sections of the infield was causing balls to hop dangerously. The Fairfax County Public Schools Grounds Department removed and leveled the entire infield. This work was completed to the highest possible standards providing a surface on which thousands of square feet of sod were subsequently laid.



Work continued on Fenway Park in 2004, with the addition of bat and helmet racks that were constructed and donated by David Frazier of WSLP. Additional safety fencing was also added to the first and third base foul lines to protect spectators from fly balls and overthrows at this time. Prior to the 2005 season additional improvements were made including the addition of a storage shed with space allocated for a concession stand. In 2006 the electronic scoreboard was installed and in 2007 the concessions stand opened, and a score booth was erected. Much of the improvements at Fenway are the result of hard work by WSLP Board member George Pedersen. Thanks George!

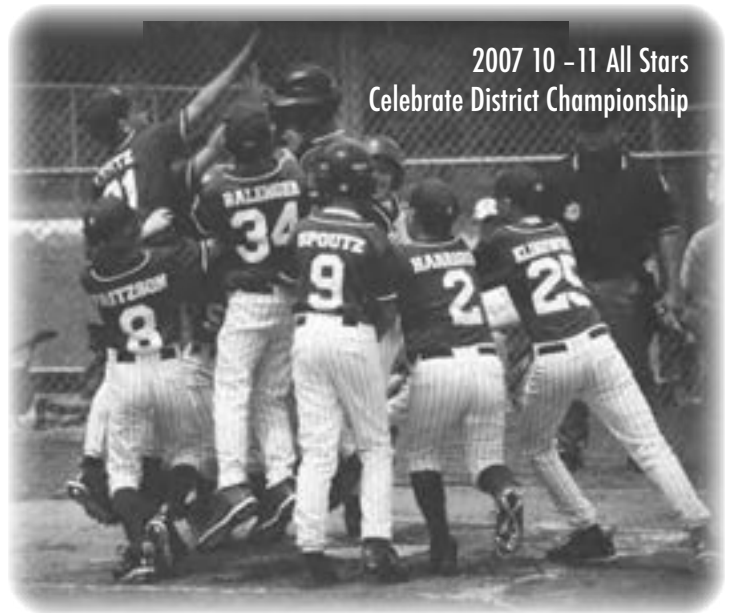
Then	Now
Share Byron with SYC football	Exclusive use
Standings at all levels	Only AA, AAA, Majors
Outdoor tryouts	Indoor tryouts
1,250 kids	650 Kids
Bull horns	PA system
No burgers	Byron Burgers
One size fits all hats	Fitted hats
One All Star team	7 All Star teams
In person registration	Online registration
Phone calls	Text & emails
No scoreboards	Electronic scoreboards



February tryouts then were cold and breezy



1975 Tryouts



2007 10 - 11 All Stars
Celebrate District Championship



Dunk Tank - 2017 Byron Fest



1975 Tryouts



Field Prep 1977



National Anthem on Opening Day 1981

WSLL Presidents and Outstanding Volunteers

WSLL Presidents

1972.....Charlie Clark
 1973 - 1974Fran Greehan
 1975 - 1978Vince Coppola
 1979 - 1980John Bashore
 1981Lou Davis
 1982 - 1983John Kittelberger
 1984 - 1987Jerry Stephens
 1988 - 1989Frank McGann
 1990 - 1991Bob Hafer
 1992 - 1995Mike Olsavsky
 1996 - 1997Tom Harper
 1998 - 2000.....Eddie Garretson
 2001 - 2002John Polcari
 2003 - 2009Steve Gillingham
 2010 - 2013Greg Adams
 2014 - 2015Craig Stine
 2016 - 2018Ron Zabko
 2019 - 2021Mike Warbel

John Monaco - George Pedersen WSLL Volunteers of the Year

1996..... Tony Musco
 1997..... Sharon Sneed
 1998..... John Monaco
 1999..... Rick Muehleib, Sharon Deplitch
 2000 Bill Snyder
 2001..... Carrie Greg, Mitch Evans
 2002 John Burns , Debi & Norm Kisendaffer
 George Pedersen
 2003 George Pedersen, Dave Frazier
 2004 Mike Fountain, Nancee Driscoll
 Mike Perez, Jerry Park
 2005 Doug Wooddell, Ric Herrmann
 Keith Klindworth
 2006 (none)
 2007..... Leon Debolt
 2008 Craig Copeland
 2009 Ron Myers, Craig Copeland
 Mark Winslow
 2010..... Mark Winslow
 2011 Mark Winslow
 2012..... Amie Adams and Mike Zerbo
 2013..... Kevin Kurland & Scott Dias
 2014..... Allen Judkiewicz
 2015..... Shawn James
 2016..... Amie & Greg Adams
 Beau Rennert, Shannon Matheny
 2017 Shawn James, Ralph Yates
 2018 Ed Cotto, Heather Crocetto
 Rob Pelletier
 2019 Todd Harding, John Mielcarek
 Al Beyer
 2020..... Adam Melis
 2021 Mike Williams, Dave Pollack,
 Shelley & Todd Haley



Opening Day 2021 Charlie Phillips Dedication





⌘ American League Majors ⌘



- Sidney Barlow
- Andrew Bell
- Cooper Benyo
- James Burch
- Hunter Collins
- Calvin Colon
- David Cucinelli
- Evan Graumann
- Luke Halfhill
- Ethan Roche
- Collin Wilder



Manager – James Cucinelli, Coaches – Kyle Graumann, Mark Halfhill



- Lewis Barger
- Quincy Barlow
- Andrew Barnard
- Kody Blaylock
- Samuel Chiappetta
- Tristen Cygan
- Benjamin Fowler
- John Heberer
- Thomas Klapmust
- Seamus Patterson
- David Slinkard



Manager – Kyle Blaylock, Coaches – Andrew Patterson, Jonathan Slinkard

American League Majors



Krister Anderson
Bryce Bettini
Evan Connolly
Jack Giordano
Kaden Ingold
Matthew Kockler
Drew Logan
Alastair Norris
Ian Norris
Zachary Norris
Cliff Storey



Manager – Kenneth Anderson, Coaches – Dean Giordano, Jeremy Norris



Everette Arp
Mason Beaver
James Fuller
Daniel Hall
Arthur Hapner III
Micah Melis
Nicholas Niemi
Nikita Rensch
Cristian Ruiz-Velazquez
Carlin Sheehan
Wade Sheehan



Manager – Ryan Sheehan, Coaches – James Arp, Adam Melis

American League Majors



Manager – Michael Williams, Coaches – Carter Deekens, Scott Rosen

Jared Abraham
Addist Bennett
Jason Castle
Andrew Deekens
John Franke
Riley Guenther
Ryan Harding
Jacob Kluger
Brandon Rosen
Griffin Wagner
Tanner Williams



Manager – Marco Flores, Coaches – Matthew DeVore, Joe O’Kane

Joshua Adams
David Allcroft
Caleb Brown
Michael DeVore
Ian Flores
William Hetzel
Colton Kaiser
Ryan McAllister
Thomas O’Kane
John Roache
Tanner Zito









↻ National League Majors ↻



- Ryan Alaniz
- Noah Feazell
- Alexander Guido
- Noah Johnston
- Austin Jordan
- Deven Landau
- Max Lynch
- Anthony Mack
- Andrew McGill
- Edward Sandler
- Benjamin Warbel

Manager – Keith Jordan, Coaches – Scott Lynch, Michael Warbel



- Patrick Becker
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- Matthew Schneider
- Alexander Terry

Manager – Todd Haley, Coaches – Brandon Davis, Douglas Dunn



National League Majors



Adam Abromavage
Patrick Carroll-Rogaczewski
Ryan Downham
Benjamin Dunham
Ryan Dunham
Zachary Dyson
Donovan Kennedy
Benjamin Morris
Hayden Nozik
Riley Payne
Tanner Smith



Manager – Matthew Dyson, Coaches – Timothy Dunham, Craig Kennedy



Garret Bilbo
Avedis Brown
Chipo Kinne
Colton Mitchell
Daniel O'Connor
William Paul
Luke Rocks
Matthew Sjurset
Jack Spitzer
Scott Warlick
Emerson Whitaker



Manager – Joe Rozmeski , Coaches – Jon Mitchell, Ken Moeller

National League Majors



- Jonah Berkey
- Nolan Berkey
- Landon Blafkin
- Evan Chambers
- Kyler Gabrano
- Tyler Hardman
- Liam McConachy
- Jack Peacher
- Landon Taliaferro
- Spencer Wirpel
- Zachary Zwirner



Manager – Eric Hardman, Coaches – Kevin Blafkin, Alexander Peacher



- Calvin Benson
- Hunter Benson
- Will Eastin
- Haleem El-Yacoubi
- Ryan McDermott
- Brady Novitske
- Gavin Price
- Drew Rosenberger
- Ilan Rotem
- Dylan Schettenhelm
- Cole Schumacher



Manager – Matt Schettenhelm, Coaches – Scott Benson, Curt Schumacher









 2021 American League
10-12 All Star Team 

Kody Blaylock
Jason Castle
Michael DeVore
Ben Fowler
Jack Franke
James Fuller
Evan Graumann



Ryan Harding
Colton Kaiser
Jacob Kluger
Thomas O’Kane
David Slinkard
Tanner Williams

Manager: Mike Williams
Coaches: Kyle Graumann, Kyle Blaylock





 2021 National League
10-12 All Star Team 

Adam Abrovamage
Calvin Benson
Landon Blafkin
Haleem El-Yacoubi
Noah Fezell
Alexander Guido
Cooper Haley



Gavin Price
Drew Rosenberger
Dylan Schettenhelm
Tanner Smith
Alexander Terry
Zach Zwirner

Manager: Corey Price
Coaches: Scott Benson, Brian Rosenberger





 2021 American League
9-11 All Star Team 

David Allcroft
Sidney Barlow
Bryce Bettini
Samuel Chiappetta
David Cucinelli
Luke Halfhill
John Heberer



Matthew Kockler
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 2021 National League
9-11 All Star Team 

Avedis Brown
Evan Chambers
Shane Dunn
Alex Fila
Kyler Gabrano
Tyler Hardman
Noah Johnston



Austin Jordan
Deven Landau
Ryan McDermott
Daniel O'Connor
Matthew Schneider
Cole Schumacher

Manager: Keith Jordan

Coaches: Doug Dunn, Curt Schumacher






2021 American League
8-10 All Star Team


Isaac Achoki
 Jackston Aplanap
 Everette Arp
 Franklin Brenholt
 William Hetzel
 Luke Marposon
 Ryan McAllister



James Navarro
 Nicholas Niemi
 Gavin Novitske
 Wade Sheehan
 Teagan Shepherd
 Braedon Zamfino

Manager: Ryan Sheehan
Coaches: Howard Arp, Joe Zamfino





 2021 National League
8-10 All Star Team 

Ryan Dunham
Zachary Dyson
Ryan Gallagher
Donovan Kennedy
Colin Lopez
Joseph Mielcarek
Colton Mitchell



Blake Price
Ashton Saunders
Benjamin Shumann
Jack Spitzer
Landon Taliaferro
Kohen Williams

Manager: Matt Dyson

Coaches: John Mielcarek, Craig Kennedy



★ ★ 2021 District 9 Champions ★ ★



2021 Intermediate
All Star Team



Ian Blackett
Ethan Brown
Leo Corbett
Christopher Lee
Brandon Lopez
Connor McNiff
Tyler Mistrott



Zach Norris
Milo Perez
Alexander Spates
Ryan Vallely
Nathan Zaleski
Bennett Zapf

Manager: Chris Corbett

Coaches: Mike Blackett, Jeremy Norris



★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 2021 All Stars ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



2021 District Nine & Va State Tournament

District 9 Tournament

Hosted by West Springfield Little League and Alexandria – Potomac Little League

Game 1: West Springfield defeated Alexandria Potomac 10-9

Game 2: West Springfield defeated Alexandria Potomac 10-6

WEST SPRINGFIELD WINS DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP AND ADVANCES TO STATE TOURNAMENT

Virginia State Tournament

Hosted by District 5 - Atlee Little League

Game 1: King George defeated West Springfield 15-4

Game 2: Fleet Park defeated West Springfield 11-1

Game 3: Phoebus defeated West Springfield 14-7

CONGRATULATIONS TO WEST SPRINGFIELD ON A GREAT TOURNAMENT







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Long time sponsor of WSL, Business owner Scott Brown of Cardinal Plaza Shell, throwing out the first pitch before the start of the West Springfield Little League spring season. (right)



Delivering the sponsor plaque to Coal Fire Pizza from the A Cubs. (right)



The AA Dodgers visiting their local DICK'S Sporting Goods sponsor. (below)



The 5-T Yankees visiting their sponsor, Springfield Lorton Dental Group. (left)

Thank you to the Individuals, organizations and corporations who have already pledged to sponsor fall team(s). Fall teams have not been assigned at the time of the printing of the yearbook.

If you or someone you know would like to sponsor an upcoming fall or spring team, please have them email sponsorships@wsllbaseball.net to get started.

Thank you!
The Sponsorship Committee



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American League Triple A



Jason Antisdel
Cameron Bettini
William Bulson
Ryan Cosgrove
Charlotte Josselyn
Jonathan King
Ryan Malech
Luke Marposon
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Luke Nobles
Lucas Roche



Manager – Dan Marposon, Coaches – Michael Josselyn, Santiago Navarro



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American League Triple A



Manager – Matthew Waggoner, Coaches – Jay Ferreira, Myron Goodman

Stanley Carroll
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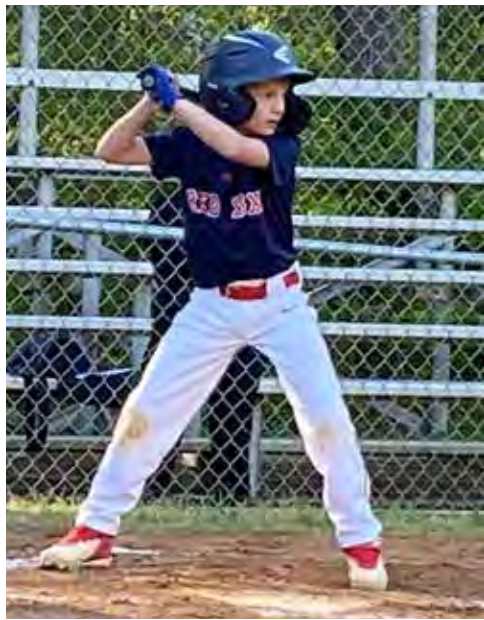


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Behind the Plate





- Owen Clarke
- Jacob Croce
- Hayden Darwin
- Isaac Kim
- Kyle McCaughrin
- Xavier Raybon
- Ashton Saunders
- Brendan Sherman
- Harrison Slinkard
- Nathanael Wilson
- Simeon Woo

Manager – Christian Saunders, Coaches – Andrew Sherman, Prescott Wilson



- William Carlson
- Caleb Carlson
- Ryan Gallagher
- Connor Graham
- Jacob Hurt
- Jack Mahoney
- Landon Reid
- Benjamin Shumann
- Robert Terry
- Parker Walters
- Kohen Williams

Manager – Nathan Williams, Coaches – Brent Graham, Jim Hurt



National League Triple A



Josef Alstatt
Adelaide Blumberg
Thomas Feige
Evan Gill
Samuel Glenn
Brianna Land
Jaithin Landau
Joseph Mickalonis
Nolan Pollack
Edward Shrieves
Carter Spooner



Manager – David Pollack, Coaches – Jason Glenn, Matthew Newhard



Owen Alba
Wyatt Balzotti
Graham Barlow
Elias Benner
Joshua Berona
Lucas Chetelat
Joshua Cundiff
Jo Encinia
Hunter Hackbarth
Jonah Lanthier
Declan Mortelmans



Manager – Vincent Balzotti, Coaches – Trey Barlow, Dale Cundiff, Thomas Page

National League Triple A



Manager – John Mielcarek, Coaches – Gus Lopez, William Rees

- Jason Alvarez
- Erik Bohn
- Zak El-Yacoubi
- Ethan Fussell
- Lukas Lane
- Colin Lopez
- Joseph Mielcarek
- Erik Rasmussen
- Alexander Rees
- Cole Smith
- Christian Wallace



Manager – Chris Ridge, Coaches – Corey Price, Benny Sayasithsena

- Gresham Davis
- Aidan Keim
- Ryven Matis
- Drew Page
- Nathaniel Painter
- Finn Parrish
- Blake Price
- Connor Ridge
- Vincent Sayasithsena
- Marcus Steinhilber
- Mason Steinhilber









Around the Park



Special Thanks to Our WSLL Umpires!

This year was another banner year for our growing umpire program. Coming out of the COVID-19 pandemic, we had one of the largest classes of new umpires ever! We revamped our on-line training using a new platform so it's more user-friendly and easier to learn, and the results showed on the field. Led by our dedicated veteran umpires, an emerging corps of new leaders, and some remarkable parent-child umpire teams, this crew covered nearly every game while averaging 2 umpires per game, and the feedback on their performance was consistently positive. We also had several of our more experienced youth umpires, Thomas Seeger, Hailey Gray, and Sammy Kenyon, on the field for the District 9 All-Star Tournament! Through the umpiring program, our youth umpires have extended their "Byron Avenue Experience," and experienced the same camaraderie, team spirit, and fun they and their families have grown used to – all while performing a service to the league, and growing as young adults. Their enthusiasm and development have in turn enhanced the Byron Avenue Experience for the rest of us and we are not surprised that many of our youth umpires are already asking, "when does Fall Ball start?"





Fun Tournament '21 10 - 12's



Manager -Alex Shrieves, Coaches -Jay Carlson, Jason McConachy

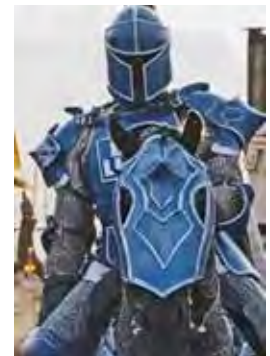
Almighty Bananas

Patrick Becker
Caleb Carlson
William Carlson
Patrick Carroll-Rogaczewski
Jonathan King
Matthew Lopez
Liam McConachy
Ilan Rotem
Jackson Ruffner
Edward Shrieves



Manager -Mike Warbel, Coaches -Mike Benyo, Tim Dunham

Blue Knights



Ryan Alaniz	Anthony Mack
Cooper Benyo	Andrew McGill
Benjamin Dunham	Riley Payne
Aaron Jost	Jack Peacher
Chip Kinne	Matthew Sjurset
Max Lynch	Benjamin Warbel





Fun Tournament '21 10 - 12's

Frosty Beasts

- Krister Anderson
- Mason Beaver
- Garret Bilbo JR
- Hunter Collins
- Calvin Colon
- Evan Connolly
- Kaden Ingold
- Brianna Land
- Cristian Ruiz-Velazquez
- Cliff Storey
- Robert Terry



Manager -Omar Ruiz-Velazquez, Coaches -Ken Anderson, Paul Connolly

Gray Wolves

- Joseph Daubert
- Max Gray
- Ryven Matis
- Joshua Melendez
- Anders Olsen
- Hudson Royster
- Marcus Steinhilber
- Mason Steinhilber
- Noah Warschaw
- Spencer Wirpel



Manager -Scott Daubert, Coaches -Kevin Steinhilber, Tim Royster

Fun Tournament '21 10 - 12's



Otters



TEAM PICTURE UNAVAILABLE

Jason Antisdal
Asa Cohen
Tristen Cygan
Jacob Ferreira
Ethan Fussell
Jakob Kemp
Declan Mortelmans
Luke Rocks
Edward Sandler
Diego Smothers
Logan Waggoner
Kaleb Wisner

Manager -Matt Waggoner, Coaches -Jim Rocks, Jay Ferreira





Fun Tournament '21 8-10 's



Byron Bros

Jacob Croce
Hayden Darwin
Cameron Dyson
Evan Gill
Jack Harding
Owen Herbert
Ethan Ho
Hunter Kennedy
Tucker Prohaska
Connor Ridge
David Shriber
Cody Smith



Crushers

Zachary Brown
Landon Brumbaugh
Jax Draheim
Kellen Hitchcock
Chase Karow
Joshua Lopez
Micah Mack
Ian Palmer
Wesley Phillips
Blake Pleva
Paxton Ray
Brady Van Buskirk



Manager -Craig Kennedy, Coaches -Luke Smith, Nhan Ho, Jeremy Prohaska, Chris Ridge, Matt Dyson



Manager -Jerry Brumbaugh, Coaches -Steve Brown, Justin Draheim, Tim Palmer



Fun Tournament '21 8-10's

Cyclones

Owen Alba
 Vincent Balzotti
 Logan Belitsky
 Benjamin Berona
 Joshua Berona
 Lucas Chetelat
 Ryan Cosgrove
 Joshua Cundiff
 Zak El-Yacoubi
 Jonah Lanthier



Manager -Vincent Balzotti, Coaches -Chris Lanthier, Dale Cundiff

Dragons

William Barlow
 Benjamin Bradford
 Asher Broderick
 Thomas Feige
 Sawyer Gibas
 Ryan Goodman
 Jackson Ochiogrosso
 Spencer Perez
 Alexander Shogren
 Christian Wallace
 Parker Williams



Manager -Myron Goodman, Coaches -Brian Barlow, Kenneth Bradford

Fun Tournament '21 8-10's



Manager -David Pollack, Coaches -David Tinsley, Dusty Turner, Matt Way

Hammerheads

Luke Benyo
Harrison Collins
William Hanni
Brandon Moore
Nolan Pollack
Samuel Shumann
Cole Tinsley
Calen Trupo
Cal Turner
Dylan Urena
Samuel Warbel
Cooper Way



Mighty Megalodons



Manager -Rick Spataro, Coaches -Erez Rotem, David Lee









John Monaco, Mike Warbel, David Frazier

WSLL Receives Grant from Davis Elkins Foundation

On Friday, June 18 WSL was the fortunate recipient of a generous \$15,000 grant from the Davis Elkins Foundation Charitable Trust.

This unexpected gift was facilitated by Board of Directors member John Monaco and former Board of Directors member, David Frazier, who is still the League accountant. The grant is intended to go toward infrastructure projects and will likely be used to help purchase new storage units to replace the conex storage & shipping containers we currently use.

The League cannot thank the Davis Elkins Foundation enough for this gift.

WSLL Honors 50 Year Sponsor

West Springfield Little League recognizes Cardinal Plaza Shell in Springfield for sponsoring teams for 50 years. During that time, they sponsored nearly 200 teams.

A special thanks goes out to Scott Brown (preceded by his dad U.T. Brown) for their dedication to supporting the youth of the West Springfield area. Sponsor fees are used to assist the league in covering expenses for uniforms, equipment, and field maintenance etc. (See picture on sponsor pages of Scott Brown throwing out first pitch at the opening of the 2021 spring season.)

Many thanks to Cardinal Plaza Shell!



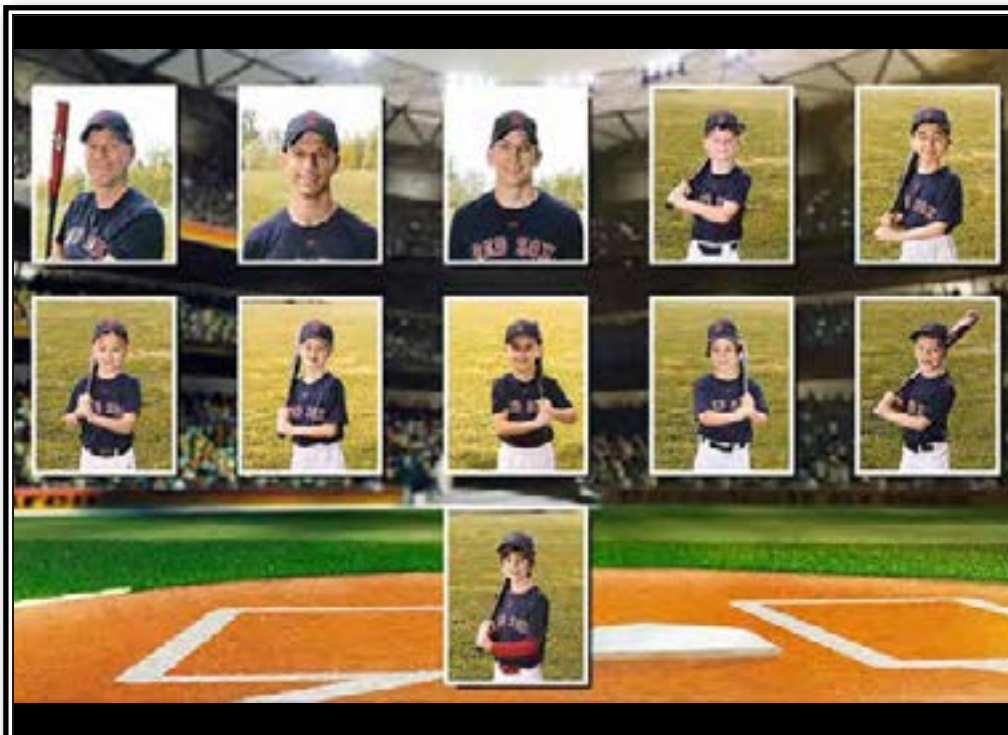
Scott Brown - Cardinal Plaza Shell



Zachary Bell
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Eli Horrigan
Jaxsen Mariner
Gabriel McDonald
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Dylan Urena
Joshua Vtipil



Manager – Chip Berry, Coaches – Aaron McDonald, Andrew Stclair, Raphael Urena



Matthew Bostwick
Michael Bostwick
Bennett Collins
William Hersh
Andrew Krehnbrink
Gideon Nichols
Tyler Rottkamp
Ryan Ryu
Sam Shumann
Cal Turner



Manager – Mark Williams, Coaches – William Collins, Pete Rottkamp, Dusty Turner

American League Double A



Liam Bridon
Micah Carlson
Jax Draheim
Owen Herbert
Noah Lopez
Joshua Lopez
John Michael Niemi
Grayson Nye
Nathaniel Pitzer
Paxton Ray
Barrett Walker



Manager – Jay Carlson, Coaches – Justin Draheim, Shawn Niemi, Ryan Walker



Logan Belitsky
Cameron Dyson
Ethan Ho
Hunter Kennedy
William Lynch
Tucker Prohaska
Nicholas Riekse
Cody M Smith
Noah Warschaw
Parker Williams



Manager – Craig Kennedy, Coaches – Matthew Dyson, Nhan Ho, Luke Smith

American League Double A



- William Barlow
- Liam Bevan
- Samuel Flores
- Grayson Gantt
- Jack Harding
- Felix Liu
- David Shriber
- Niccolo Spataro
- Fletcher Whitaker
- Ansel Withrow

Manager – Aaron Shriber, Coaches – Marco Flores, Richard Spataro







Just a Little Boy

He stands at the plate with heart pounding fast.

The bases are loaded; the die has been cast.

Mom and Dad cannot help him, he stands all alone.

A hit at this moment would send the team home.

The ball meets the plate; he swings and he misses.

There's a groan from the crowd,

With some boos and some hisses.

A thoughtless voice cries: "Strike out the bum."

Tears fill his eyes; game's no longer fun.

So open your heart and give him a break.

For it's moments like this, a man you can make.

Keep this in mind when you hear someone forget.

He's just a little boy and not a man yet.

↻ National League Double A ↻



- Zachary Brown
- Daniel Esposito
- Sawyer Gibas
- Mason Kim
- Micah Mack
- Ian Palmer
- Luke Pleva
- Blake Pleva
- Connor Shields
- Lukas Uryga
- Maximus Watson

Manager – Steve Brown, Coaches – Tim Palmer, Andrew Watson



- Benjamin Berona
- William Hanni
- Shayna Melis
- Cooper Nam
- Spencer Perez
- Noah Polutta
- Grant Richardson
- Lucas Roth
- Nicholas Sampson
- Connor Stroup
- Drew Thibeault

Manager – Adam Melis, Coaches – El-Mundo Berona, William Hanni, Alex Nam



National League Double A



Christopher Arrington
Alexander Bohn
Kayla Connolly
Robert Lent
William Queen
William Ramos
Cole Tinsley
Calen Trupo
Cooper Way
Michael Yamamoto



Manager – Paul Connolly, Coaches – Patrick Lent, David Queen, Joey Tinsley



Blaine Alsbaugh
Reid Bartholomew
Tanner Bennett
Landon Brumbaugh
Edwin Gentry
Jasper Halstead
Kellen Hitchcock
Chase Karow
Graham Meixner
Wesley Phillips
Brady Van Buskirk



Manager – Jerry Brumbaugh, Coaches – Matthew Halstead, Kevin Karow, Michael Van Buskirk

National League Double A



- Dominick Balaoing
- Luke Benyo
- Benjamin Bradford
- Asher Broderick
- Alexander Davila
- Grayson Fank
- Brandon Moore
- Jonah Perry
- Garrett Tolboe
- Samuel Warbel



Manager – Michael Warbel, Coaches – Michael Benyo, Joseph Fank, Ivan Perry







Thank You Coach Rozmeski

WSLL recognizes Joe Rozmeski for his Significant Service and Achievements to WSLL



Joe Rozmeski

Long-time WSLL manager Joe Rozmeski retired after the 2021 season. Joe was a manager in WSLL for 25 years from 1996-2021. He was the 2nd longest tenured manager in WSLL history. During his tenure Joe:

- Won 4 regular season NL championships and 2 WS League championships;
- Was a 6-time all-star manager;
- Won 4 district 9 championships.

He taught his players 3 basic principles: Fundamentals – Attitude - Effort



Known as “Coach Joe” to hundreds of his players; he will be missed – Thanks Joe

Tony Musco WSLL Umpire



Tony Musco

Tony Musco, former WSLL veteran umpire who umpired for nearly 30 years in WSLL and District 9, passed away on July 18, 2021. He was 95 years old.

Tony’s umpire career spanned nearly 70 years.

While in WSLL he was a leader of the umpire corps that served not only the many teams whose games he umpired but the umpires he trained and inspired.

He was honored for his many years of service to Little League Baseball by being inducted into the Little League Baseball Hall of Fame.

In recent years, Virginia District 9 has honored his exceptional lifetime of service, with an annual presentation of the Musco Award to an individual who exemplifies dedication and service to the Little League program.



⌘ American League Single A ⌘



- Ryan Barcklow
- Zachary Duos
- Rhys Karns
- Levi Mecklenburger
- Benjamin Petouvis
- Aiden Pierce
- Hope Randall
- Joseph Scaman
- Alexandra Shrieves
- Miles Suber
- Charles Zeytoonian

Manager – Clay Shrieves, Coaches – Samuel Karns, David Pierce



- Jasper Benner
- Hunter Bradley
- Aiden Brown
- Jake Conques
- Nathaniel DeAngelis
- Nicholas Fussell
- Noah Haynes
- Jacob Mallis
- Declan Richards
- Grant Rooney
- Luke Sinclair

Manager – Mark Bradley, Coaches – Anthony Conques, Geoff Sinclair



American League Single A



Kyle Becker
Cash Cain
James DeSio
Colin Heim
Bowen LaChance
Daniel Leahy
Blake Phillips
Luke Schmitt
William Tobin
Knox Wester
Finnegan Wheeler



Manager – Blair DeSio, Coaches – Brian Lachance, Ryan Wheeler



Nolan Bello
Carmella Dorazio
Sean Groves
Alexander Harris
Colin Harris
Anna Karnilowicz
Jaida Kemp
Michaela Kliman
Rory O'Connor
Reagan Spitzer
Wesley Thaler



Manager – Seamus O'Connor, Coaches – Brett Groves, Allen Harris, Jeff Karnilowicz, Adam Kemp

American League Single A



- Evan Assaraf
- Ethan Benson
- Zander Cantone
- Abel Edlefsen
- John Fitzpatrick
- Paxton Metz
- Alexander Senatore
- Jonah Stewart
- Samuel Strawn
- Grant Weber
- Lane Weber

Manager – Stephen Senatore, Coaches – Eric Assaraf, Cameron Edlefsen









Around the Park



↻ National League Single A ↻



- Summer Benson
- Bodhi Calland
- Harrison Collins
- Tobias Ephrem
- Arsema Ephrem
- John Keim
- David Lee
- Luke O'Connor
- Sebastian Occhiogrosso
- Connor Parsons
- William Walter



Manager – Barbara Benson, Coaches – David Lee, Jay Occhiogrosso



- Asher Cameron
- Micah Clark
- Roshan Desai
- William Dickinson
- Guillermo Monterrosa
- Owen Murdock
- Isaac Paul
- Christian Prunty
- Edwin Purkey
- Jacob Rees
- Hunter Ridge

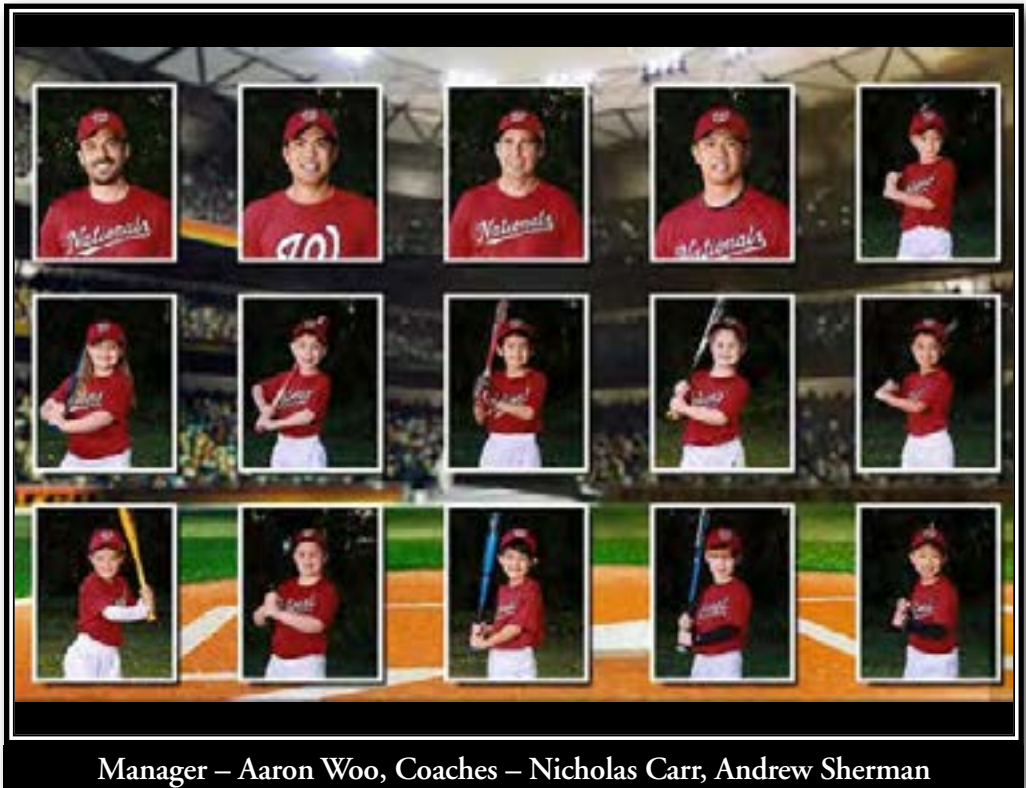


Manager – William Rees, Coaches – Charles Paul, Chris Ridge

National League Single A



Mason Brison
Mallory Brown
Noah Carr
Travis Chen
Ada Goehring
Kristopher J Howard
Ross Klingensmith
Joshua Nutzhorn
Grant Obringer
Tyler Sherman
Zachary Woo



Manager – Aaron Woo, Coaches – Nicholas Carr, Andrew Sherman



Brandon Arrington
Josh Fila
Maddox Fossum
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Bryson Turner
Leland Waldrup
Landon Wallace
Garrett White
Daniel Yamamoto



Manager – Mitchell Fossum, Coaches – Rinaldo Olivieri, Lee Waldrup

National League Single A



Ethan Alba
Elijah Anderson
Leon Araia
Lucas Brownfield
Ryan Bury
Matthew Greenberg
Blake Heaton
Phillip Hughes
Lucas Navarro
Calder O'Rourke
Gabriel Soldano

Manager – Santiago Navarro, Coaches – Jordan Greenberg, Evan Hughes





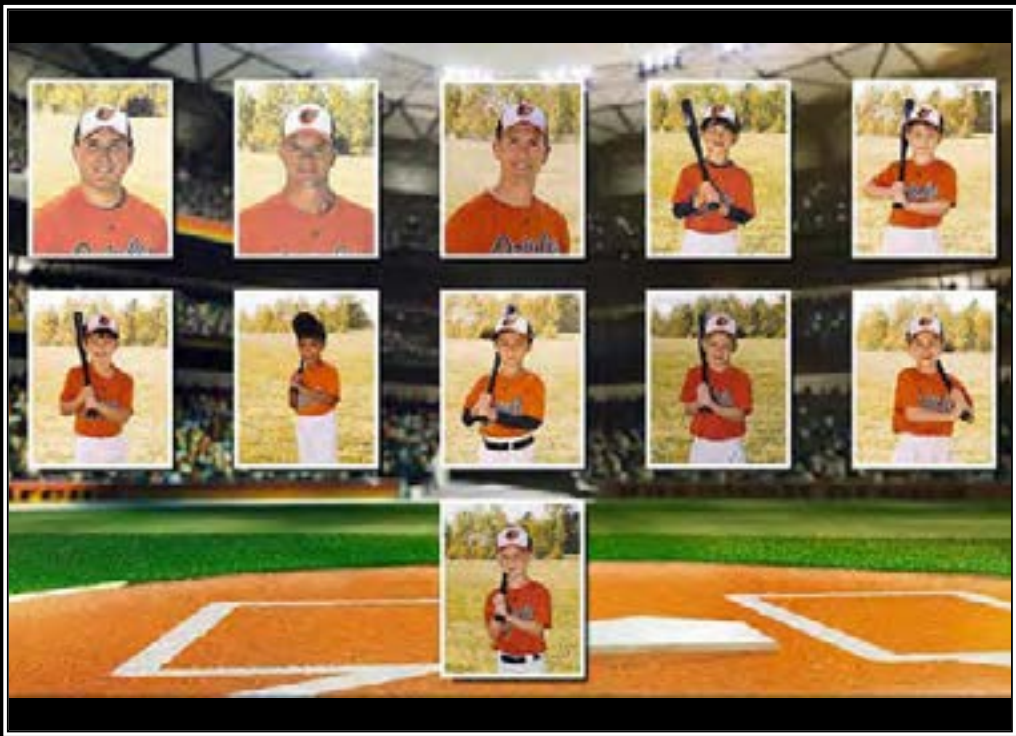




Around the Park



🏆 American League T Ball 🏆



- Caleb Bontrager
- Wilson Brideau
- Brennan Dutcavich
- Kyle Geiger
- Calvin Henry
- William Merriweather
- Theodore Ohba
- Jackson Roth
- Alice Shepherd
- Sydney Taliaferro



Manager – Brian Taliaferro, Coaches – Nathan Bontrager, Nathan Bontrager, Jp Ohba



- Luka Aleksiev
- Casey Damich
- Alexander Jones
- Brodie Kuehne
- William Nutzhorn
- Eli Perez
- Henry Schnare
- Henry Urso
- Adalynn Walter
- Leo Yarmolovich



Manager – Daryl Yarmolovich, Coaches – Linds Damich

American League T Ball



Ryan Becker
Patrick Chunn
Robert Collins
Joseph Croce
Matthew Denaro
Ronan Espinoza
Liam Herbert
Brandon Olortegui
Luke Pasquino
Nicholas Telleria



Manager – Mike Chunn, Coaches – Mike Becker, Brian Olortegui



American League T Ball

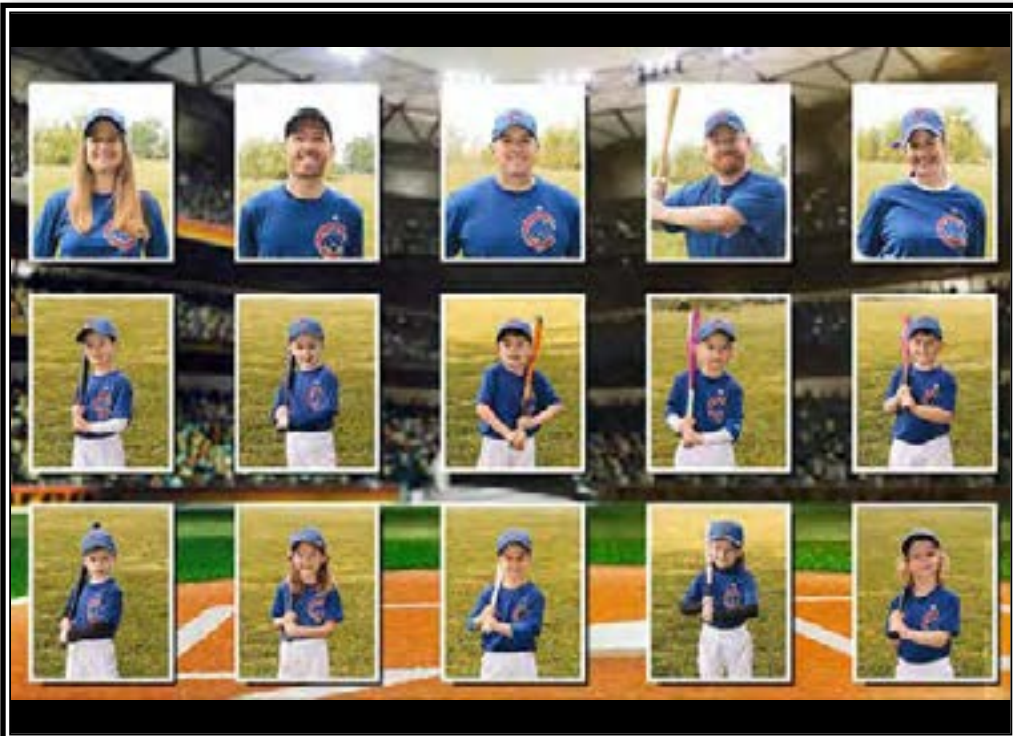




Around the Park



🏆 National League T Ball 🏆



- William Jakob Castan
- Edmund Giambastiani
- Alexander Gogats
- Abrielle Nye
- Luke Pevéa
- Holt Quill
- Lillian Rakip
- Vincent Rodrigo
- Paislee Stansberry
- Jack Stone

Manager – Michael Nye, Coaches – Jennifer Castan, Megan Stansberry



- Luke Barron
- Lucas Campbell
- Royce Draheim
- Owen Erickson
- Jeremiah Gibson
- Joshua Gibson
- Harrison Graves
- Isaac Packard
- William Strawn
- Aiden Yi

Manager – Clayton Crooks, Coaches – Justin Draheim, Young Yi



National League T Ball



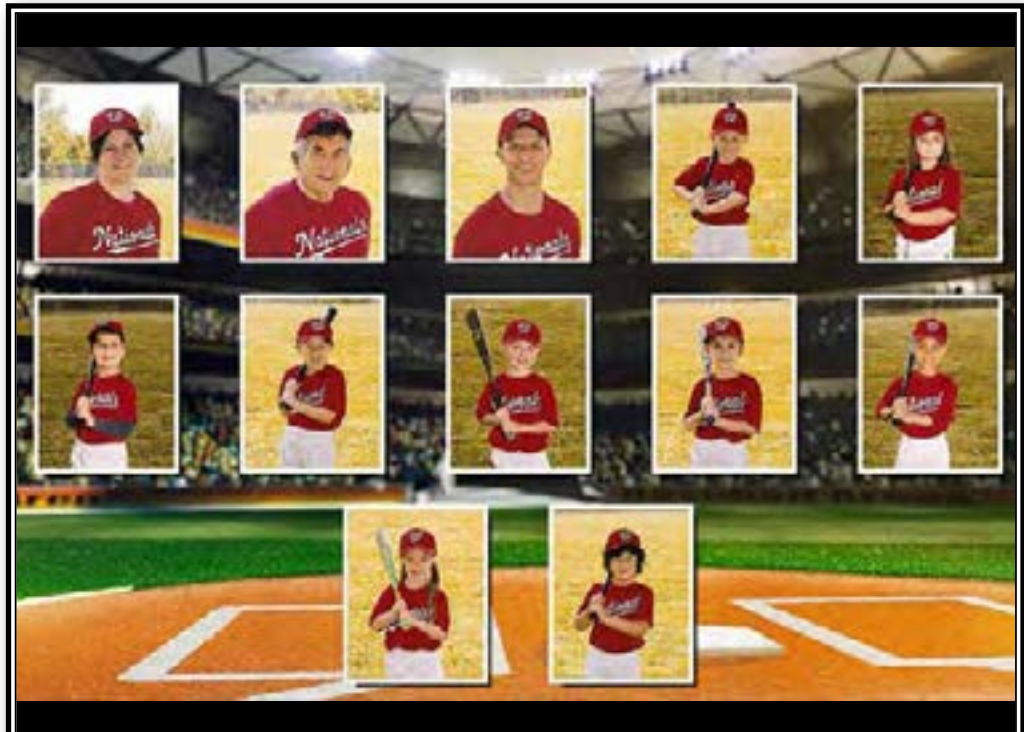
Ronald Ball III
Jonathan Dorazio
Bailey Gibas
Christina Kemp
Johnny Mulkerrin
Rhys Nessel
Edward Norris
Theodore Oh
Michael Roth
Rhys Spitzer



Manager – Matt Spitzer, Coaches – David Dorazio, Adam Kemp, Jacob Norris, Megan Spitzer



Benjamin Hopkins
Casey Howell
Connor Martinez
Emmett Meixner
Collin Miller
Elliot Miller
Clemente Smothers
Reese Turner
Henry Wille
Roman Worrell



Manager – Jessica Martinez, Coaches – Thomas Miller, Thomas Miller, Dusty Turner

National League T Ball



- Tyson Cullen
- Tobias Gahm
- Joseph Gonzalez
- Emmett Hackenberg
- Aiden Kofman
- Amy Lee
- Gavin Mortelmans
- Richard Nielsen
- Weston Ramos
- Camden Shipley



Manager – David Lee, Coaches – Davis Hackenberg, Dedric Mortelmans







WSLL Standings 2021

2021 WSLL Spring Season

AA - American League

Team	GP	W	L	T	WIN %
Royals	8	7	1	0	.875
Tigers	8	6	2	0	.750
Yankees	8	5	3	0	.625
Red Sox	8	1	6	1	.188
Orioles	8	0	7	1	.062

AA - National League

Team	GP	W	L	T	WIN %
Phillies	8	7	1	0	.875
Pirates	8	4	4	0	.500
Cubs	8	3	4	1	.438
Nationals	8	3	5	0	.375
Dodgers	8	2	5	1	.312

AAA - American League

Team	GP	W	L	T	WIN %
Yankees	10	10	0	0	1.000
Angels	10	7	3	0	.700
Red Sox	10	4	6	0	.400
Royals	10	4	6	0	.400
Orioles	10	3	6	1	.350
Tigers	10	1	8	1	.150

AAA - National League

Team	GP	W	L	T	WIN %
Phillies	10	8	0	2	.900
Dodgers	10	6	1	3	.750
Pirates	10	5	2	3	.650
Cubs	10	5	5	0	.500
Mets	10	1	9	0	.100
Nationals	10	1	9	0	.100

Majors - American League

Team	GP	W	L	T	WIN %
Tigers	11	10	1	0	.909
Angels	11	6	5	0	.545
Orioles	11	5	6	0	.455
Yankees	11	5	6	0	.455
Royals	11	4	7	0	.364
Red Sox	11	1	10	0	.091

Majors - National League

Team	GP	W	L	T	WIN %
Pirates	11	10	1	0	.909
Phillies	11	8	3	0	.727
Dodgers	11	6	5	0	.545
Mets	11	5	6	0	.455
Cubs	11	5	6	0	.455
Nationals	11	1	10	0	.091

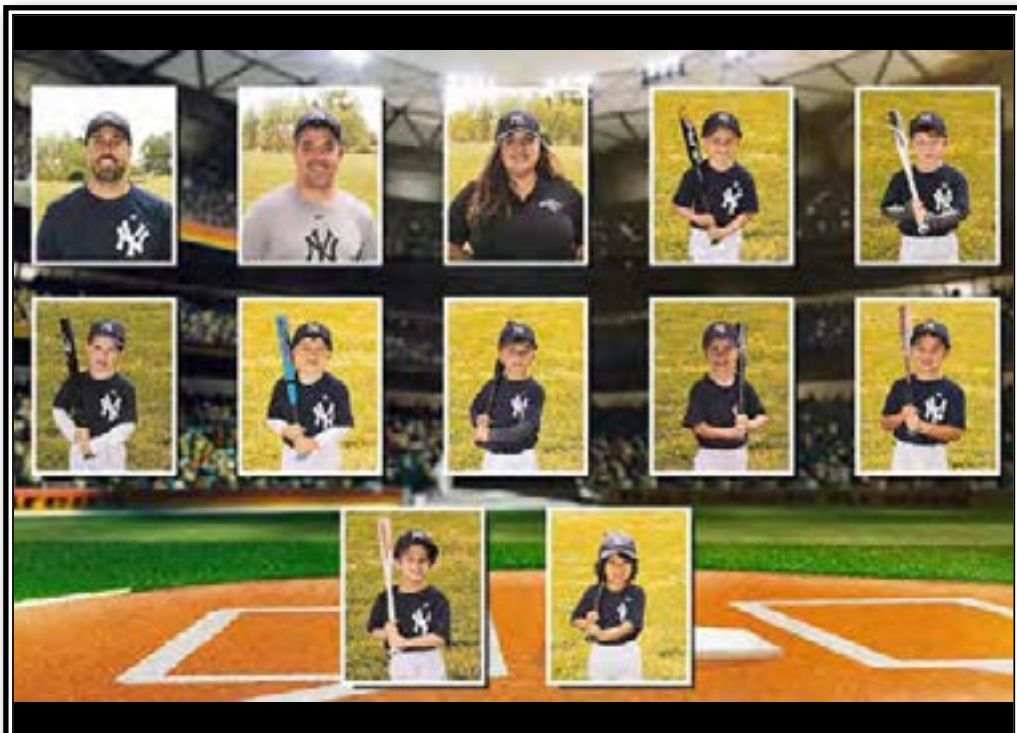
Intermediate

Team	GP	W	L	T	WIN %
IM Blue	6	4	2	0	.667
IM Gray	6	4	2	0	.667
IM Black	6	1	5	0	.167



Manager – Ernesto Grano

- Mackenzie Bevan
- Caleb Clark
- Caelum Cox
- Quinn Deckard
- Luca Grano
- Calen Pryber
- Jackson Smith
- Mateo Tamez
- Gunnar Zaffke



Manager – Sarah Rivera, Coaches – Bryson Morgan, Carlos Rivera

- Brody Bechtel
- Owen Dalecki
- Levi Fryman
- Benjamin Mattalino
- Winston Morgan
- William Mulcahy
- Christian Rivera
- Penn Wester
- Asa Withrow







- Ryan Bakir
- Thaddeus Bryant
- Ethan Heim
- Adam Hirsch
- William Parsons
- Theodore Prout
- Eleanor Schwarz
- Jackson Williams
- Roger York

Manager – Philip Bryant, Coaches – Matthew Heim, William Prout



- Ryan Denardo
- Connor Farrell
- Luke Gonzalez
- Jacob Harrington
- Zack Jeran
- Nathaniel Jessup
- Lincoln Kemp
- Cameron Maydak
- Greyson Singer

Manager – Franklin Harrington, Coaches – Stephen Jeran





Intermediate Division



INTERMEDIATE BLACK

Daniel Brunson
Edward Feige
Sean Griffith

Christopher Isaac Lee
Brandon Lopez
Grant McClure
Tyler Mistrot
Luke Puryear
Carson Raeder
Andrew Rubino
Jake Simpkins
Jeffrey Talbott



Manager – Chad Simpkins, Coaches – Chad Mistrot, Steven Puryear



INTERMEDIATE BLUE

Tyler Antidel
Jackson Aparicio
Anthony Bello
Hayden Carl
Connor McNiff
Christian Reynolds
Dillon Roberts
Kellan Roush
Alexander Spates
Nathan Zaleski
Bennett Zapf



Manager – Bill Zapf, Coaches – Denny Zaleski

Intermediate Division



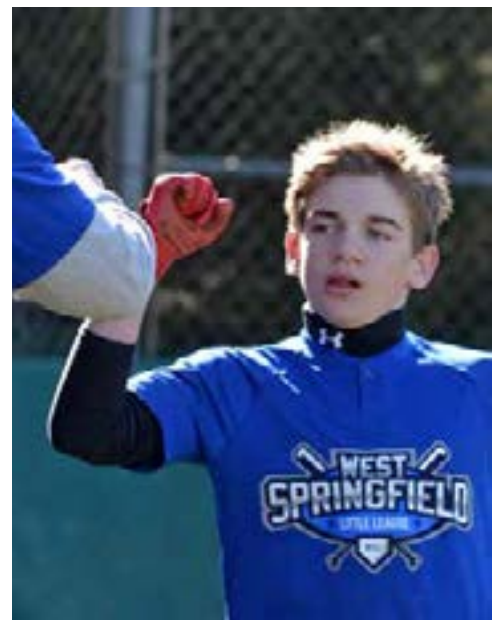
INTERMEDIATE GRAY

- Miles Biberaj
- Ian Blackett
- Ethan Brown
- Jeffrey Burnett
- Drew Clark
- Cole Conques
- Leo Corbett
- Dylan Creedon
- Cal McLeod
- Milo Perez
- Ryan Vallely



Manager – Christopher Corbett, Coaches – Mike Blackett, Anthony Conques







Around the Park



Championship Saturday & Closing Ceremonies '21





2021 Board of Directors

Executive Committee

President:	Mike Warbel
Vice President:	Mike Williams
Secretary:	Heather Crocetto
Treasurer:	Michelle Allendoerfer
Safety Officer:	Matt Spitzer
Player Agent:	Todd Harding
Asst. Player Agent:	Marco Flores
Chief Umpire:	Jimmy Kenyon
Baseball Operations:	John Mielcarek
Fields & Facilities:	Dave Pollack, John Mielcarek
Fenway:	Mick Batson
KMES:	Jerry Brumbaugh
Other Schools:	Dan Marposon
Scheduling:	Matt Dyson, Adam Melis

Committee Chairpersons

County Liaison:	Adam Melis
Equipment:	Craig Kennedy
Asst. Equipment:	Chris Ridge
Uniforms:	Karyn Schneider
All Star Uniforms:	Erica Schumacher (non-BOD)
Trophies & Awards:	Marcia Sheehan
Website:	Paul Connolly
Social Media:	Paul Connolly
Communications:	Matt Waggoner
Sponsorships:	Shelley Haley, Todd Haley
Registrar:	Mike Williams
Asst. Registrar:	Marco Flores
Rules:	John Monaco
Rules Committee:	Jimmy Kenyon, Todd Harding, John Mielcarek, Mike Williams, Marco Flores, Scott Benson, Andrew Fuller
Volunteer Coordinator:	Nikki McNiff
Concessions:	Shannon Matheny
Asst. Concessions:	Nikki McNiff
Training:	Matt Dyson
Asst. Training:	Steve Senatore, Chris Ridge, Ryan Sheehan
Scholarships:	Kelly El-Yacoubi

Infrastructure: Andrew Nozik
 Asst. Infrastructure: Andy Fuller, Craig Kennedy, Maureen Barlow (non-BOD)
 Historian: John Monaco
 Team Photos & Yearbook: John Monaco, Karyn Schneider
 Player Evaluations: Scott Benson
 End of Season Surveys: Marcia Sheehan
 Tryouts: Steve Senatore
 Open, Close Ceremonies: Mike Warbel, Heather Crocetto
 Byronfest: n/a
 BOD Members, Elections: Jill Homer Stewart
 All Star Coordinators: John Monaco, Mick Batson, Scott Benson, Steve Senatore
 All Star Hosting Chair: John Monaco
 Fun Tournament: Eric Hardman
 Fall Ball Commissioner: Matt Waggoner

League Directors

League Director, MAJ: Rob Pelletier
 League Director, AAA: Walter Green
 League Director, AA: Tim Dunham
 League Director, A: Jill Mitchell
 League Director, T-Ball: Rebecca Price
 League Director, 5T: Chris Ridge

Other Board Members

Randy McMahon, Joe Zamfino

2020-21 WSLL BOD Roster

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 Mick Batson
 Scott Benson
 Paul Connolly
 Heather Crocetto
 Tim Dunham
 Matt Dyson
 Kelly El-Yacoubi
 Marco Flores
 Andy Fuller
 Walter Green
 Shelley Haley
 Todd Haley
 Todd Harding

Eric Hardman
 Jill Homer Stewart
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 Steve Senatore
 Marcia Sheehan
 Ryan Sheehan
 Matt Spitzer
 Matt Waggoner
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 Mike Williams
 Joe Zamfino

- West Springfield Little League Special Recognition Awards 2021 -

John Monaco - George Pedersen Volunteers of the Year Award

Mike Williams, Dave Pollack, Shelley & Todd Haley

**West Springfield Little League
Regular Season and Post Season Champions 2021**

Regular Season Champions

Majors American Regular Season

*AL Champion: Tigers
2nd Place: Angels*

AAA American Regular Season

*Champion: Yankees
2nd Place: Angels*

AA American Regular Season

*Champion: Royals
2nd Place: Tigers*

Intermediate Division

*Champion: Blue
2nd Place: Tray*

Majors National Regular Season

*Champion: Pirates
2nd Place: Phillies*

AAA National Regular Season

*Champion: Phillies
2nd Place: Dodgers*

AA National Regular Season

*Champion: Phillies
2nd Place: Pirates*

Post Season Champions

Majors Post Season Tournament

*Champion: Tigers
Runner-up: Pirates*

AAA Post Season Tournament A

*Champion: Phillies
Runner-up: Pirates*

AA Post Season Tournament A

*Champion: Tigers
Runner-up: Yankees*

A Post Season Tournament A

*Champion: Yankees
Runner-up: Dodgers*

AAA Post Season Tournament B

*Champion: Mets
Runner-up: Cubs*

AA Post Season Tournament B

*Champion: Nationals
Runner-up: Dodgers*

A Post Season Tournament B

*Champion: Nationals
Runner-up: Red Sox*

I will teach all children to play fair and do their best

I will positively support all managers,

coaches and players



I will respect the decisions of the umpires

I will praise a good effort despite the outcome of the game

– Parent's Pledge

West Springfield Little League

Virginia State Champions

WSLL 10 – 12 Year Olds

1984: WSLL*	2003: WSLL - American
1986: WSLL*	2005: WSLL - American

WSLL 9 – 11 Year Olds

2004: WSLL – National	2012: WSLL – American
2007: WSLL – American	

District 9 Champions

WSLL Intermediate

2021: WSLL - Intermediate

WSLL 10 – 12 Year Olds

1974: WSLL*	2005: WSLL – American
1977: WSLL*	2007: WSLL – National
1983: WSLL*	2009: WSLL – National
1984: WSLL*	2010: WSLL – American
1986: WSLL*	2011: WSLL – American
1987: WSLL*	2013: WSLL – American
1999: WSLL – National	2014: WSLL – American
2002: WSLL – National	2015: WSLL – National
2003: WSLL – American	2016: WSLL - American
2004: WSLL – National	

WSLL 9 – 11 Year Olds

2004: WSLL – National	2013: WSLL – National
2006: WSLL – National	2014: WSLL – National
2007: WSLL – American	2015: WSLL – American
2008: WSLL – American	2016: WSLL - National
2009: WSLL – American	2017: WSLL - American
2010: WSLL – National	2019: WSLL - American
2012: WSLL – American	

WSLL 8 – 10 Year Olds

1999: WSLL – National	2011: WSLL – American
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2001: WSLL – National	2013: WSLL – National
2003: WSLL – National	2014: WSLL – American
2006: WSLL – American	2016: WSLL - National
2007: WSLL – American	2018: WSLL – American
2009: WSLL – National	

Virginia State Runners - Up

WSLL 10 – 12 Year Olds

1983: WSLL*	2007: WSLL – National
2002: WSLL – National	2013: WSLL – American
2004: WSLL – National	

WSLL 9 – 11 Year Olds

2008: WSLL – American

WSLL 8 – 10 Year Olds

2000: WSLL – National	2011: WSLL – American
2003: WSLL – National	2012: WSLL – American
	2018: WSLL – American

Regional Semi-Finalists

WSLL 10 – 12 Year Olds

2003: WSLL – American

WSLL 9 – 11 Year Olds

2012: WSLL – American

* WSLL only had one league until 1991 when it divided into American and National leagues.