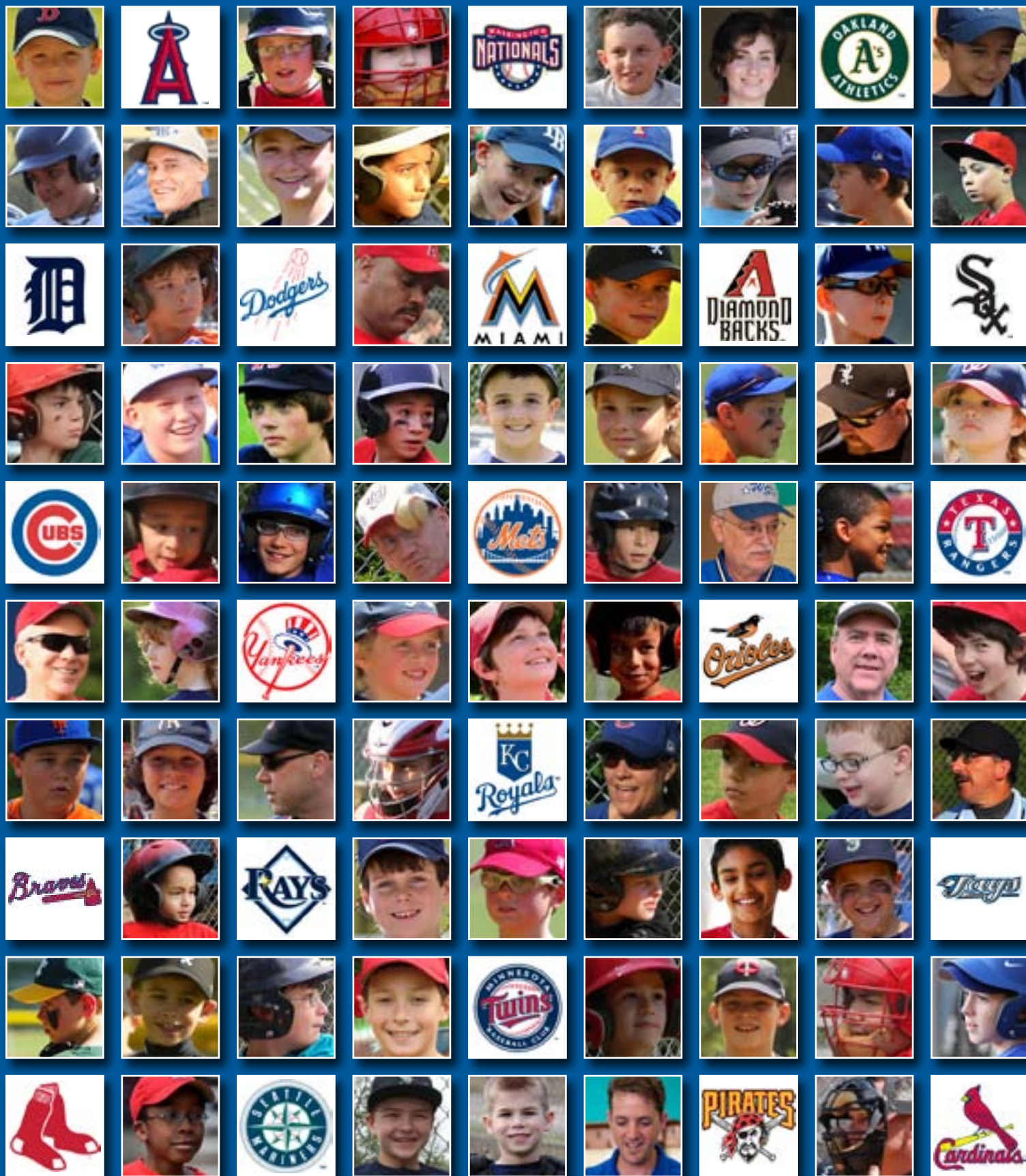


# West Springfield Little League



Yearbook 2012



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

**Dear WSLL Members and Families,**

My father and I were sitting around reliving old baseball stories on a family trip this summer. We started talking about how long it had been since we had been to a baseball game together. The best we could figure, it was probably an Orioles game at old Memorial Stadium — yes kids that is where you went in the days before Nationals Park and Camden Yards.

More than 20 years since my dad and I had paid too much to park, sat down in hard plastic seats and eaten \$5.00 hotdogs?! That was far too long.

I was able to get a couple of tickets for a late season Nats game. They weren't playing the second place Braves and Strasburg wasn't pitching, but none of that really mattered. My dad and I got to sit side by side taking in the game we love. For me that love of baseball started 35 years ago on a small field at Byron Avenue Park called Three Rivers with my dad there coaching from the dugout.

I wouldn't trade that day at the ballpark or the memories we have from our days in West Springfield Little League for anything in the world.

Enjoy your memories from the 2012 season.

**Greg Adams**  
*WSLL President*



*Greg Adams, WSLL President*

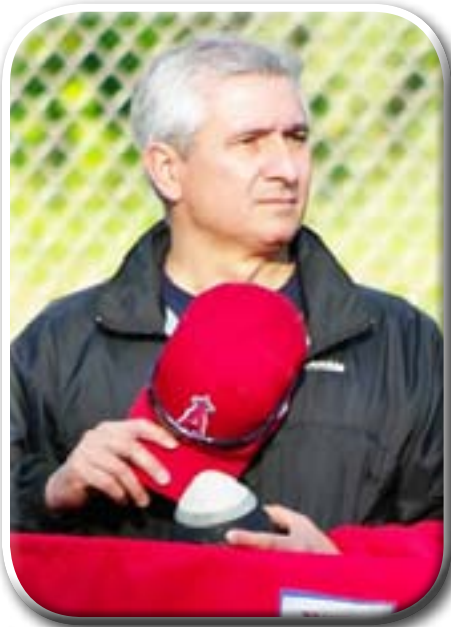
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# Opening Day '12









# WSLL

## Then and Now

The History of West Springfield Little League – By John Monaco



*Opening day, in yesteryear, when the scoreboard was shared with football.*

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 600 players, leaving 475 players in what is now the Central Springfield Little League.

After development of the WSLL fields at Accotink, the first season had over 600 participants. Charlie Clark, the first WSLL president, the first WSLL Board of Directors, and the support of the first of the Parents Auxiliary under President Dannie Loi can be credited for laying the foundation for what has become one of the best Little Leagues in Virginia.

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 WSLL and the Springfield Youth Club.

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.

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 in the two leagues.

In 1993, under the direction of Pat McCormick and Eddie Garretson, WSLL 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 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.





Left to right, Carol Mills; Carol Butler; Dorothy Williams; Doris Kimble; Rosemarie Phillips; Conchita Vallecillo; Gita Matthews; Arlene Lucas; Vice President Rita Stoff; President Brigitte Heiser; Treasurer Sandy Grshaw; Helen McMillan; Robbie Newman; Vivian Engle; Irene Ebert; Patti McKnight and Patty Bomer.

*The West Springfield Ladies Auxiliary, early 80's were a big help to the WSLL.*

In 1995, realizing the need to accommodate a very large program, WSLL undertook its largest single season expenditure to date 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 "volunteer of the year" program 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.

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 web site ([www.wsllbaseball.org](http://www.wsllbaseball.org)) and since then have had over 1 million visitors.

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 five years ago, 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 the Burke, Springfield, and Fairfax Station for many years to come.

After more than 30 years of sharing Byron Avenue Park with the Springfield Youth Club football program, an 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 WSLL, 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. By the way, the SYC football program began play that fall at a new synthetic turf field that has just been completed at Lee High School (not too bad).

With the year-round use at Byron, the league, in cooperation with Fairfax County, undertook another major innovation 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.

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 Byron Avenue complex sits on the shores of Accotink Creek. The creek has played an unfriendly role in the history of WSLL. In June 1972, 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 WSLL as hundreds of volunteers assisted to repair the flood damage. The 1989 season was a season of irony. WSLL installed an underground sprinkler system in a cooperative agreement with the Springfield Youth



*The '91 Major Mets, managed by Charlie Phillips, pictured here in the '91 WSLL Yearbook.*



*The fund-raiser then - The WSLL Dance, now Byron Fest.*

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 WSLL 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. Two years later on 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 over 800 volunteers restored the fields where the creek rose to the top of the roofs of the Wrigley field dugouts. Not only has Accotink Creek affected our season but weather has also. In the spring of 2003, rain was always in the weather forecast. That year nearly 50% of the games were rained out. Almost all of these games were rescheduled and played, thanks to the dedication of many volunteers that sacrificed almost all Sunday activities. Opening Day April 7, 2007 was cancelled due to SNOW and we all remember the great snow of 2010. That snow caused a 2-week delay in the 2010 season. Most recently on September 9, 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 will need to be replaced. All infield dirt was washed away and fencing and dugouts on 4 fields were destroyed. Together with the help



*The 1980 WSLL All Star team.*

of our friends at Fairfax County (who replaced the damaged perimeter fencing and dugouts and all of the infield dirt) and many volunteers, the fields were ready for play on opening day in 2012 when WSLL celebrated 40 years of Little League baseball.

The WSLL All-Star teams have played an important part in the history of our league. Before WSLL split into American and National Leagues in 1991, we captured the District 9 11/12-year old championship in 1974, 1977, 1983, 1984, 1986, and 1987. The 1984 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 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 1999 and 2002 West National won the 11/12-year old District 9 title after 11 years without a WSLL team capturing a District 9 title. The 2002 West National team finished 2nd in the Virginia State Tournament. The following year, in 2003, the West American 11/12-year old All-Star team (managed by Jerry Park) won the District 9 championship, the Virginia State championship, and was finally eliminated in the semi-finals of the Southern Regional Tournament by a team from Buckhead, Georgia 7-3. This was the farthest any WSLL team had ever advanced in tournament play. In 2004, the West National team won the District 9 championship and finished 2nd in the Virginia State Tournament. In 2005 the West American 11/12-year old team (managed by Gary Engle) won the District 9 championship, the Virginia State championship and was eliminated in pool play competition in 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. In 2007 West National 11/12 team won the District 9 championship and finished 2nd in the State and in 2009 the West National 11/12 team again won the District 9 title. In 2009, 2010 and 2011 West American 11/12 team captured the District 9 crown.



*Tryouts in February were outside and chilly.*

In 1997 Little League introduced the 9/10 All Star Tournament. WSLL began participation in 1999 and the West National 9/10-year old team won District 9 championships in 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2009. The 2000 and 2003 teams finished 2nd in the Virginia State Tournament. The West American 9/10 team won the District 9 championship in 2006, 2007, and 2011. In 2012 the West American 9/10 not only won the District Championship, but finished second in the Virginia State Tournament.

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 2006 and 2010 the West National 10/11 team won the District 9 championship. In 2007 the American 10/11 team won District 9 Championship and the Virginia State Championship. In 2008, the West American 10/11 team won the District 9 title and finished 2nd in the state. The West American 10/11 team won the District 9 Championship in 2009. 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.

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

As you have read, WSLL 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 WSLL 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, parents' auxiliary, team parents, board members, parents, and fans.... THANKS. And thanks also to the players, for without them, there would be no WSLL! 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.

**WSLL Presidents**

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

**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 Woddell, 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

*For more history, including the complete history of Fenway Park, visit the WSLL Web site at [www.wsllbaseball.org](http://www.wsllbaseball.org)*



Manager: Greg McIntyre, Coaches: Marc Chazan, Bob Leitzel



Brian Bachman  
Cameron Consolvo  
Bobby Leitzel  
Kevin Mahoney  
Greg McIntyre  
Asriel McKnight  
Anthony Muskett  
Peter Muskett  
Harrison Newman  
Jayven Padilla  
Sam Treasure  
Tyler Treasure



Manager: Kevin Cone, Coaches: Scott Bell, Carlos Quinteros



Tyler Bell  
Jonathan Bonner  
Fergus Burns  
Joshua Cole  
Jack Cone  
Patrick Hanson  
Andrew Huemmer  
Gabriel Jacome  
Lyle Miller-Green  
Steven Roscoe  
Matthew Seeman  
Ethan Vancini



American League Majors



Joshua Ahern  
Gabe Brinson  
Connor Copeland  
Ben Dizon  
Jordan Eidelkind  
Sam Freeborne  
Zachary Kephart  
Will Morgan  
Jacob Mosios  
Stuart Reid  
William Reid  
Lukas Thackery



Manager: Lee Morgan, Coaches: Craig Copeland, JR Reid



Ryan Baker  
Jonathan Cook  
Brandon Gudely  
Grant Holzemer  
Warren Holzemer  
Nicholas Johnson  
Shane King  
Austin McHale  
Brandon Negrón  
Jack O'Grady  
Walker Warren  
Bryan Woo



Manager: Richard Woo, Coaches: Bryan Holzemer, Frank Negrón

American League Majors



Manager: Mark Susa, Coaches: Jeff Pendry, Eric Van Den Bosch



Jasper Bowles  
Tyler Clanton  
Charlie Cook  
James Eldredge  
Andrew Hale  
Wilson Haller  
Riley Pendry  
Matthew Stone  
Andrew Susa  
Daniel Susa  
Connor Truong  
Jared Van Den Bosch



Manager: Larry Gowe, Coaches: Lance Breeding, Teague Pastel



JP Abbott  
Chase Breeding  
Mikael Demeke  
Benjamin Fiore  
Benjamin Gowe  
Samuel Gowe  
Zack Grosz  
Benjamin Hetle  
Tyler Matheny  
Connor O'Grady-Walsh  
Calvin Pastel  
Alec Reilly













- Michael Amann
- Ryan Brewer
- Nathaniel Do
- Bryce Hickman
- Ben Kurland
- Patrick Lowry
- William Luef
- Mason Roeber
- Alex Trouin
- Joe Weidinger
- Michael Weidinger
- Michael Weyrich



Manager: Tim Brewer, Coaches: Mark Sypher, Matt Weidinger



- Shawn Ahmad
- Mitchell Bisson
- Nicholas Cys
- Philip D'Ambrosio
- Brenden Duffy
- Gabe Fulton
- Mason Jones
- Cole Krieger
- Jared Lyons
- Stephen McArdle
- Noah Menotti
- Ian Whitesel



Manager: Leonard Bisson, Coaches: Daniel D'Ambrosio, Kevin Jones

National League Majors



Casey Blankinship  
Emilio Duty  
Mason Edmiston  
Ian Graham  
Koi Griffin  
Collin Mazeika  
Justin Nelson  
Logan Pederson  
Mike Puglisi  
Nikolas Renteria  
Nicholas Rogers  
Ricky Thompson



Manager: Rob Puglisi, Coaches: Gerry Blankinship, James Edmiston



Christopher Cable  
Robert Cable  
Aaron Carroll  
Joshua Claxton  
Kyle Fletcher  
Paarth Jain  
William Musk  
Sharif Nabhan  
Logan Parker  
Joshua Pearl  
Walt Tatera  
Joshua Wines



Manager: Joe Rozmeski, Coaches: Robert Cable, Ken Moeller

National League Majors



- Brenden Blackwell
- Isaac Bowden
- Ben Faunce
- Will Hellier
- Seth Holzman
- Brian Kearney
- Jack Mittauer
- Kyle Mittauer
- Benjamin Nethery
- Brett Stallings
- Jack Young
- Zac Zerbo

Manager: Tim Stallings, Coaches: Bryan Blackwell, Charlie Phillips



- Jack Adams
- Collin Allen
- Tyler Binkley
- Cooper Casamento
- Eric Doroski
- Cole Eberling
- James Eismeier
- Ryan Garver
- Bhraeden Keith
- Justin Libman
- Joey Myers
- Om Shah

Manager: Greg Adams, Coaches: Ted Mallick, Chaz Myers











 2012 American League  
11 & 12 All Star Team 

JP Abbott  
Ben Gowe  
Grant Holzemer  
Nick Johnson  
Peter Muskett  
Brandon Negron



Riley Pendry  
Will Reid  
Steven Roscoe  
Sam Treasure  
Ethan Vancini

*Manager: JR Reid*

*Coaches: Larry Gowe, Jeff Pendry, Jim Vancini*







 2012 National League  
11 & 12 All Star Team 

Michael Amann  
Brenden Blackwell  
Rob Cable  
Philip D'Ambrosio  
Ben Faunce  
Koi Griffin



Bhraeden Keith  
Collin Mazeika  
Kyle Mittauer  
Om Shah  
Brett Stallings  
Jack Young

*Manager: Tim Stallings*  
*Coaches: Bryan Blackwell, Dan D'Ambrosio*



★ ★ 2012 Virginia State Champions ★ ★



2012 American League  
10 & 11 All Star Team



Brian Bachman  
Tyler Bell  
Jack Cone  
Connor Copeland  
Sam Freeborne  
Bobby Leitzel



Kevin Mahoney  
Tyler Matheny  
Greg McIntyre  
Lyle Miller-Green  
Calvin Pastel

*Manager: Greg McIntyre*

*Coaches: Bill Bachman, Kevin Cone, Craig Copeland, Ryan McIntyre, Teague Pastel*

# VIRGINIA STATE Champions

## District Nine Tournament

Hosted by West Springfield Little League

Game 1: West American defeated DTQ 1-0.

Game 2: West American defeated Woodbridge 21-1.

Game 3: West American defeated Ft Hunt 11-0.

Game 4: West American defeated Ft Belvoir 24-0.

Game 5: West American defeated West National 14-4.

Game 6: West American defeated Central Springfield 19-2.

**West American advances to the best 2 of 3 Championship Bracket**

Game 7: Thursday West American defeated West National 11-1.

**Game 8: Game 8: District Nine Championship, West American defeated West National 9-7.**

**West American advances to Virginia State Tournament.**



## Virginia State State Tournament

Hosted by Poquoson Little League.

Game 1: West American defeated Poquoson (District 7), 19-9.

Game 2: West American defeated Central Loudoun National (District 16), 3-0.

Game 3: West American defeated King William (District 15), 12-2.

**West American advances to the single elimination State Championship Bracket.**

Game 4: West American defeated Big Stone Gap (District 13), 18-0.

Game 5: VA State Semi-Finals, West American defeated Tuckahoe-AL (District 5), 7-6 (7 innings).

**Game 6: VA State Championship, West American defeats Vienna-NL (District 4), 6-5 (8 innings).**

**West American advances to Regional Tournament.**



## Regional Tournament

in Greenville NC.

In addition to WSL, teams from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and West Virginia compete.

Game 1: West American defeated North Carolina 13-6.

Game 2: West American defeats Georgia 5-2

Game 3: West American lost to Florida 9-1.

Game 4: Regional Semi-Final, West American defeated North Carolina 7 - 4.

Game 5: Regional Semi-Final, West American lost to Florida 8-6 (8 innings).

**Congratulations to everyone associated with this team for doing a phenomenal job. The West Springfield Little League family is proud of your accomplishments!**



# The 2012 WSSL 10-11 American All Star Journey

Story by Chris Bachman



## District Nine Tournament

With the memory of last season's loss in extra innings in the Virginia State Championship ever-present in their minds, this year's 10/11 American set out determined to take care of unfinished business. The team motto remained "hungry and humble," with nine returning players and two additions to the squad. Although determined to achieve great things, the boys never lost sight of the fact that championships need to be won one game at a time without looking ahead to the next game or the title on the horizon. Consequently, nothing was taken for granted and grinding it out every day at practice was the norm.

The boys were thrilled to play the District Tournament at their beloved Byron Field. In a preview of how this long All Star season would play out, the team won the opening game of District Pool Play against DTQ in the bottom of the sixth inning in walk-off fashion.

The rest of the District Tournament proceeded smoothly, as the team went undefeated through District Play and out – scored their opponents 110-15 – with the only bump in the road being their hard-fighting brother team, WSSL National, whom they ultimately defeated for the title to repeat as District Champions.





## Virginia State Tournament

The team then traveled to Poquoson for the Virginia State Tournament. After handily winning their three Pool Play games, WSSL American entered the Championship Bracket as the top seed. The boys beat Big Stone Gap soundly in the Quarterfinal to set up a repeat of last year's semifinal match-up against Tuckahoe. With the Semifinal and State Championship games scheduled for the same day, the boys readied themselves for what they hoped would be a long day – only they had no idea how long it would be! Down 3-2 in the bottom of the 5th, the WSSL “Cardiac Kids” kicked into action and took the lead 4-3 thanks to hits by Bachman, Cone, and Copeland. Tuckahoe came back and tied it up in the sixth, sending the game to extra innings. After Tuckahoe scored two runs in the top of the 7th, it was time for more drama.

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*Virginia State Tournament Continued*

Cone sent a powerful message with a leadoff homerun, followed by walks by Copeland, Pastel and Miller-Green. Up stepped Tyler Matheny, who smacked a double to end the ball game and send the team to the Championship Game.

After a quick break to inhale some Subway, the boys took to the field again. Matheny was the starter, giving up just 2 runs in four innings. Incredibly, Bobby Leitzel – who broke his pitching arm on February 25 of this year -- was somehow back on the mound to get the win in the Virginia State Championship game, allowing one run over three innings. Catcher Brian Bachman caught 14 total innings for the day between the Semifinal and Championship games. West Springfield American was led by Copeland and Freeborne, who combined for six hits and three RBIs. Bachman (two runs scored) and Cone each contributed two hits, and Miller-Green (2 RBIs) and McIntyre each had a hit.

WSLL got on the scoreboard first, posting a run in the bottom of the second on a double by Freeborne and then a single by Miller-Green. Vienna tied it in the top of the third and the game remained that way until the bottom of the fourth, when WSLL scored two more on singles by Copeland and Freeborne and a ground ball by Miller-Green. Vienna took the lead in the top of the fifth, 4-3, but WSLL roared right back in the 5th to tie it up. Bachman, Cone and Copeland each grooved another single, with Copeland's scoring Bachman and tying the game at 4. The score remained tied through extra innings until the top of the eighth when Vienna's Junco homered to right. Not to be dissuaded, the Cardiac Kids kicked it into high gear in the bottom of the 8th. McIntyre led off with a single, but was out at second on a fielder's choice hit by Leitzel. Bachman stepped up next and lined a single to left, moving Leitzel to second. After Cone worked a walk, Copeland came through with another base hit, scoring Leitzel and tying the game at 5. Up stepped Sam Freeborne, who lined a single to left and Bachman scored for the winning run! The team finished 6-0 at the State Tournament, outscoring their opponents 65-22.





# Tournament of State Champions – Regional Tournament

The team next hit the road to Greenville, NC for the 10-11 Tournament of State Champions (TOSC). Once there, the players and their families discovered a “Field of Dreams” of their own at the beautiful Elm Street Park. In Game 1 of Pool Play, WSSL American overcame an early 5-0 deficit by scoring in every inning but the first in a 13-6 win over North Carolina. Brian Bachman (celebrating his 12th birthday!), Connor Copeland, Sam Freeborne, Lyle Miller-Green, Jack Cone (1 homerun), and Tyler Matheny each had two hits, Calvin Pastel contributed a double, and Bobby Leitzel was the winning pitcher. The march continued in Game 2, as WSSL American beat Georgia, 5-2. Virginia scored in every inning but the fifth, with Sam Freeborne (first homerun!) and Tyler Matheny leading Virginia’s 12-hit attack with 3 hits each. Bachman and Cone each contributed two hits, with Copeland (winning pitcher) and McIntyre each adding a hit as well. Pool Play closed with a 9-1 loss to Florida and a five-way tie for the Championship Bracket.



Under the tiebreaker rules -- despite having already beaten Georgia and North Carolina head-to-head – the team had to play the first quarterfinal game in Greenville’s TOSC history, beating North Carolina again, this time 7-4. Leitzel and Miller-Green led the charge with two hits apiece. Copeland, Freeborne, Cone (winning pitcher), McIntyre, and Mahoney all had a hit to finish it out and WSSL/Virginia advanced to the TOSC Semifinal to face Florida again! The boys battled for eight innings, with the lead going back and forth, but ultimately could not overcome the disadvantage of having to play two games in one day and the fatigue and pitching rule restrictions that came with that. Cone and Miller-Green had two hits, with Bachman, Copeland (HR), Matheny, Pastel, and Bell each providing a hit in the 8-6 loss. What an incredible journey for the boys of West Springfield, who will no doubt use this year’s to fuel their efforts for next year!





 2012 National League  
10 & 11 All Star Team 

Casey Blankinship  
Isaac Bowden  
Ryan Brewer  
Chris Cable  
Cooper Casamento  
Nathaniel Do



Joey Myers  
Logan Parker  
Mason Roeber  
Joe Weidinger  
Zac Zerbo

*Manager: Tim Brewer*

*Coaches: Tim Bowden, Jim Casamento, Chaz Myers, Matt Weidinger, Mike Zerbo*



★ ★ 2012 District 9 Champions ★ ★



2012 American League  
9 & 10 All Star Team



Cameron Consolvo  
Ben Dizon  
Josh Grosz  
Brandon Gudely  
Warren Holzemer  
Ryan Mills



Tony Muskett  
Jack O'Grady  
Connor O'Grady-Walsh  
Alec Reilly  
Danny Susa  
Tyler Treasure

*Manager: Bryan Holzemer*

*Coaches: Scott Gudely, Scott Mills, Dan O'Grady, John O'Grady-Walsh, Dave Treasure,*



2012 District Nine & Va State Tournament

**District Nine Tournament**

Hosted by Woodbridge Little League

Game 1: Saturday West American lost to Ft Hunt 5-1.

Game 2: West American defeated DTQ 5-2.

Game 3: West American defeated Woodbridge 13-9.

**West American advances to the Championship Bracket.**

Game 4: West American lost to West National 15-5.

Game 5: West American defeated South County 12-1.

Game 6: West American defeated Ft Hunt 8-7.

Game 7: West American defeated West National 7-6 (8 innings).

**Game 8: District Nine Championship, West American defeated West National 14-3.**

**West American advances to Virginia State Tournament.**

**Virginia State Tournament**

Hosted by Dulles Little League

Game 1: West American defeated Lee-East (District 13), 13-2.

Game 2: West American defeated Lynchburg Colonial (District 2), 15-0.

Game 3: West American defeated Broadway (District 3), 15-5.

**West American advances to the single elimination State Championship Bracket.**

Game 4: West American defeated York County (District 7), 6-1.

Game 5: State Semi Finals, West American defeated Green Run (District 8), 5-4 (7 innings).

Game 6: State Finals, WS-AL lost to Mechanicsville NL (District 5), 11-1.

**Congratulations to WS-AL for an outstanding tournament. Finishing second in state is a great accomplishment.**









 2012 National League  
9 & 10 All Star Team 

Jack Adams  
Aaron Carroll  
Kyle Fletcher  
Gabe Fulton  
Will Hellier  
Bryce Hickman



Mason Jones  
Ben Kurland  
Justin Nelson  
Mike Puglisi  
Mike Weidinger  
Josh Wines

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Gerald Camarella  
Reed Krieger  
Luke Lanning  
Michael Lumb  
Charles Miska  
Ryan Powell  
Ian Schmitt  
Cullen Vasquez  
Aaron White  
Austin Wolfe



Manager: Billy Gross, Coaches: Michael Cozad, John Zimmerman

Braden Campbell  
Anthony Cook  
Shahean Cozad  
Connor Farish  
Harrison Fry  
Zachary Gross  
Sean Morris  
Alexander Rogers  
Derek Villegas  
Thayer Winingham  
Connor Zimmerman



American League Triple A



Braden Cochran  
Ian Haukdal  
Jake Hecker  
John Herz  
Samuel Koch  
Finn Lee  
Jack Russell  
Christopher Sheehan  
Irelyn Sheehan  
Ethan Sogocio  
Logan Woodward



Manager: John Russell, Coaches: Eric Haukdal, Christopher Sheehan



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American League Triple A



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Kyle Gudely  
Benjamin Johnson  
Connor Johnson  
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Will Lowry  
Ethan McNiff  
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- Harrison Young





National League Triple A



Parker Adams  
 Justin Claxton  
 Michael D'Ambrosio  
 Andrew Garver  
 Brian Higginson  
 William Kelly  
 Hunter Reeves  
 John Reistrup  
 Austin Sides  
 Mitchell Sloane  
 Quinn Sloane



Manager: David Kelly, Coaches: Rob Garver, Rob Sides



Nathan Belk  
 Trent Christenson  
 Will Downey  
 Michael Held  
 Jackson Hite  
 Milo Linkel  
 William Love  
 Ethan Pannell  
 Kai Riggle  
 John Wargin  
 Garrett Whitaker



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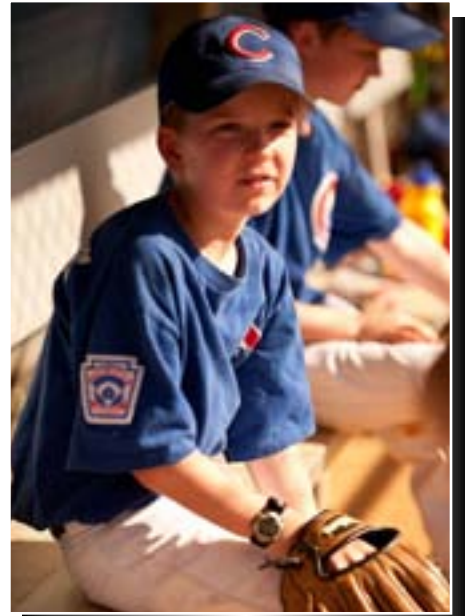
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Jared Levenson  
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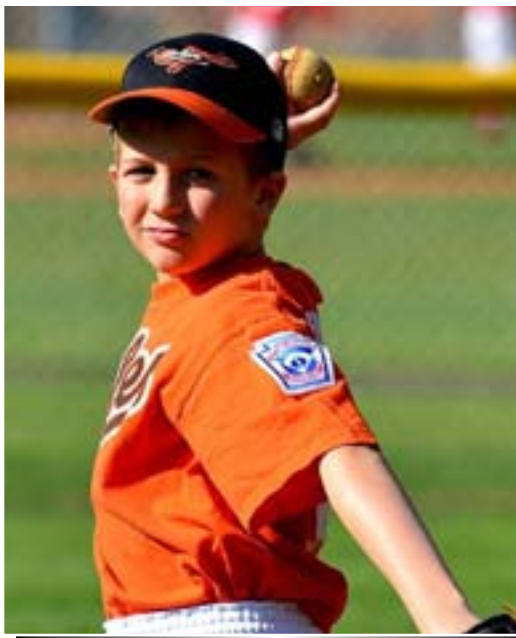


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# Behind the Plate





Manager: William Rogers, Coaches: Alan Hall, Kyle Thompson



- Aidan Do
- Rishon Elliott
- Thomas Gilmore
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- Josh Johnson
- Zachary Johnson
- Reed League
- Peter Montavon
- Andrew Palmer
- Henry Pastel
- Keagan Robertson
- Joseph Rosales



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Mark Watson  
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- Brad Greenberg
- Tyler Grunzke
- Andrew Hammond
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- Niko Porter
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- Avery Smidt
- Camden Tavares
- Austin Tickner
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# Fun Tournament '12

8 - 10's Fun Tournament Champions





# WSLL Standings 2012

## Majors

### American League

| Team      | Wins | Losses | Ties | Percent |
|-----------|------|--------|------|---------|
| Angels    | 13   | 2      | 0    | 0.867   |
| Orioles   | 11   | 4      | 0    | 0.733   |
| Twins     | 6    | 9      | 0    | 0.400   |
| Blue Jays | 5    | 9      | 0    | 0.357   |
| Mariners  | 5    | 10     | 0    | 0.333   |
| Royals    | 4    | 10     | 0    | 0.286   |

### National League

| Team         | Wins | Losses | Ties | Percent |
|--------------|------|--------|------|---------|
| Mets         | 14   | 0      | 0    | 1.000   |
| Cardinals    | 11   | 4      | 0    | 0.733   |
| Marlins      | 6    | 9      | 0    | 0.400   |
| Dodgers      | 5    | 9      | 0    | 0.357   |
| Nationals    | 4    | 10     | 0    | 0.286   |
| Diamondbacks | 3    | 11     | 0    | 0.214   |

## AAA

### American League

| Team      | Wins | Losses | Ties | Percent |
|-----------|------|--------|------|---------|
| Yankees   | 11   | 0      | 1    | 0.958   |
| White Sox | 8    | 3      | 1    | 0.708   |
| Red Sox   | 7    | 4      | 0    | 0.636   |
| Orioles   | 4    | 6      | 2    | 0.417   |
| Rangers   | 4    | 7      | 0    | 0.364   |
| Angels    | 2    | 8      | 2    | 0.250   |
| Athletics | 2    | 10     | 0    | 0.167   |

### National League

| Team         | Wins | Losses | Ties | Percent |
|--------------|------|--------|------|---------|
| Cardinals    | 9    | 2      | 1    | 0.792   |
| Mets         | 9    | 3      | 0    | 0.750   |
| Braves       | 6    | 5      | 1    | 0.542   |
| Nationals    | 5    | 6      | 1    | 0.458   |
| Diamondbacks | 4    | 7      | 1    | 0.375   |
| Cubs         | 3    | 7      | 2    | 0.333   |
| Dodgers      | 2    | 8      | 2    | 0.250   |

## AA

### American League

| Team      | Wins | Losses | Ties | Percent |
|-----------|------|--------|------|---------|
| Orioles   | 6    | 2      | 0    | 0.750   |
| White Sox | 5    | 2      | 1    | 0.688   |
| Angels    | 3    | 4      | 1    | 0.438   |
| Red Sox   | 3    | 4      | 1    | 0.438   |
| Yankees   | 1    | 6      | 1    | 0.188   |

### National League

| Team         | Wins | Losses | Ties | Percent |
|--------------|------|--------|------|---------|
| Diamondbacks | 7    | 1      | 0    | 0.875   |
| Cardinals    | 6    | 2      | 0    | 0.750   |
| Mets         | 4    | 3      | 1    | 0.563   |
| Nationals    | 1    | 6      | 1    | 0.188   |
| Marlins      | 1    | 7      | 0    | 0.125   |

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# *Just a Little Boy*

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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.

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American League Single A



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Tanner Picardat  
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Connor Mills  
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Christian Porter  
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Peyton Biddison  
Jacob Callahan  
Sean Dermody  
John Megan  
Noah Nevarez  
Hannah Puhek  
Nicole Puhek  
Tim Swicord  
Cannon Tucker  
Clifton Ward



National League Single A



Trevor Bennett  
Nicholas Collins  
David Devore  
Reyhan Elliott  
John Gowel  
Beck Hartley  
Grant Sachar  
Aidan Seiger  
Antonio Senatore  
Luke Yates



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National League Single A



Manager: Mike Cys, Coaches: Timothy Byrd, Jim Spratt

- Jack Byrd
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- Benjamin Cys
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- Ryan Cunniff
- Ethan Fallert
- Paul Julich
- Antonio Lanave
- Ryan Mitchell
- Will Mitchell
- Matthew Stevens
- Matthew Voelkel



National League Single A



Nolan Batson  
Ryan Foos  
Grant Fritz  
Jack Kiem  
Evan Langer  
Andrew Muir  
Sam Riley  
Carter Struck  
Mason Westby  
Caden Williams  
Nathaniel Zimmerman



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Jake Haley  
Landon Kusick  
Jack Lowry  
Cooper Metz  
Jake Mueller  
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American League T Ball



Kaleb Blaylock  
Matthew Brandow  
Drake Burns  
Andrew Cahill  
Aidan Chomicki  
Danny Cook  
Dylan Feigenbaum  
Liam Miller  
Rouben Ohannessian  
Mason Tickner  
Paterson Trudgett



Manager: Karnig Ohannessian, Coaches: Larry Chomicki, Mark Miller



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Joseph Blumberg  
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- Garrett Carter
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- Antonio Campillo
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- Ava Moreland
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- Aiden Spicer



National League T Ball



Kai Buchanan  
 Matthew Caracciolo  
 Ryan Casciaro  
 Jacob Fitton  
 Jacob Fleet  
 Mike Fulton  
 Traeger Hulen  
 Jacob Kerr  
 Elliot Ludington  
 Oliver Ludington  
 Qwinten Vann



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 Cooper Elliott  
 Mereck Leslie  
 Elijah Lester  
 Sean Lewin  
 Diego Lizarraga  
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 Jackson Rampton  
 Max Shahan  
 Roman Smith



Manager: Jay Won Shahan, Coaches: Dustin Elliott, Clark Rampton









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- Justin Middleton
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- Evan Reeves
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- Sebastian Bliss
- Brayden Charles
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- Brady Williams



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Challenger Diamondbacks



Challenger Dodgers





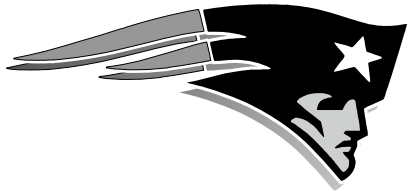
Challenger Nationals



Challenger Hokies



Challenger Patriots



Challenger Phillies





Challenger Red Sox



Challenger Royals



Challenger Yankees



*Challenger Program Highlights*





Challenger Majors & Adults



# 2012 Board of Directors

## Executive Committee

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| President .....                | Greg Adams                                |
| Player Agent .....             | Kevin Kurland                             |
| Safety Director .....          | Ray Cook                                  |
| Secretary .....                | David Kelly                               |
| Treasurer .....                | Craig Copeland                            |
| Chief Umpire .....             | Jeff Sullivan                             |
| VP - Baseball Operations ..... | Bill Bachman                              |
| VP - Communications.....       | John Monaco                               |
| VP - Challenger Baseball.....  | Eddie Garretson                           |
| VP - Parents Auxiliary .....   | Amie Adams                                |
| VP - Player Support.....       | Larry Gowe, Scott Mills, Carlos Quinteros |
| VP - Fields & Facilities ..... | Mike Zerbo                                |
| VP - Special Operations .....  | Chris Kearney, Jon Anderson               |
| VP - Technology .....          | Micah McDonald                            |
| Member(s) at Large .....       | Craig Stine                               |

## Committee Chairpersons

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|---|---|
| All Star Coordinator .....              | Bob Cable                                 |
| Awards & Trophies.....                  | Greg McIntyre                             |
| County Liaison/Fields Acquisition ..... | Craig Copeland                            |
| Equipment .....                         | Carlos Quinteros, Scott Mills, Larry Gowe |
| Fun Tournament.....                     | Mike Eidelkind                            |
| Fall Baseball Commissioner .....        | Steven Sopko and Craig Stine              |
| Fields & Facilities:                    |   |
| Byron Fields Mgr .....                  | Mike Zerbo                                |
| Fenway Field Mgr.....                   | George Pedersen                           |
| New Bldg & Construction .....           | Dave Frazier, George Pedersen             |
| League Historian .....                  | John Monaco                               |
| Manager Selection .....                 | Bill Bachman                              |
| Marketing .....                         | Chris Kearney                             |
| Opening/Closing Ceremonies .....        | Jon Anderson and Chris Kearney            |
| Player Development.....                 | Steve Gillingham                          |
| Publications and Printing .....         | John Monaco                               |
| Registration .....                      | Chris Kearney & Jon Anderson              |
| Rescheduling Games.....                 | John Monaco & Craig Copeland              |
| Rules.....                              | John Monaco                               |
| Scheduler.....                          | Craig Copeland                            |
| Scores & Standings.....                 | John Monaco                               |
| Snack Bar Manager.....                  | Amie Adams                                |
| Sponsors .....                          | Amie Adams                                |
| Team Photos .....                       | John Monaco                               |

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| Tryouts.....                | Chris Kearney & Jon Anderson |
| Umpires:                    |                              |
| Chief.....                  | Jeff Sullivan                |
| Training.....               | Steve Gillingham             |
| Uniforms .....              | Bridget Jackson              |
| Volunteer Coordinator ..... | Scott Bell                   |
| Webmaster.....              | Bill Dane                    |
| Web Content Manager .....   | John Monaco                  |
| WSLL Tournament .....       | John Monaco & Craig Copeland |
| Yearbook .....              | John Monaco                  |

## League Directors

|                   |                            |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Majors .....      | AL - Bob Cable             |
| Majors .....      | NL - Bob Leitzel           |
| AAA .....         | NL - Mike Zerbo            |
| AAA.....          | AL - Steve Gillingham      |
| AA.....           | AL - David Kelly           |
| AA.....           | NL - Craig Stine           |
| A .....           | AL - Scott Mills           |
| A .....           | NL - Chris Parker          |
| T-Ball.....       | AL&NL - Rob Urps           |
| Clinic (5-T)..... | AL&NL - Karnig Ohannessian |

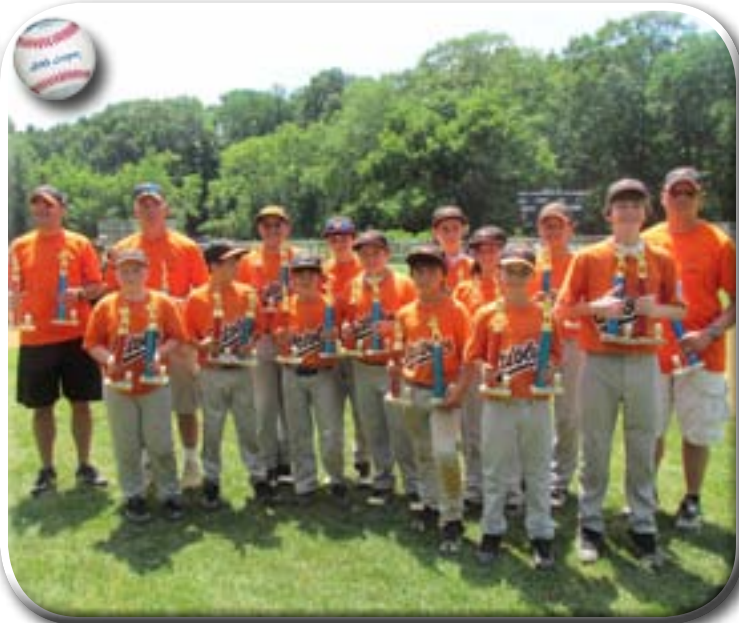
### Other Board Members

Evan Bolster  
Tim Brewer  
Kevin Cone  
Erik Foss  
Billy Gross  
Scott Gudely  
Mike Hickman  
Allan Judkiewicz  
Kenny Moeller  
Phil Nethery  
Michael Wagner

### Dedicated Volunteers

Ellie Blackwell  
Nancee Driscoll  
Gary Engle  
Dave Frazier  
Dean Giordano  
Rick Kent  
Art Lyons

# Closing Ceremonies '12





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# West Springfield Little League Special Recognition Awards 2012

George Pedersen Volunteer of the Year Award ..... Amie Adams, Mike Zerbo

## West Springfield Little League Regular Season and Post Season Champions 2012

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### *Regular Season Champions*

#### Majors American Regular Season

*Champion: Angels  
2nd Place: Orioles*

#### AAA American Regular Season

*Champion: Yankees  
2nd Place: White Sox*

#### AA American Regular Season

*Champion: Orioles  
2nd Place: White Sox*

#### Majors National Regular Season

*Champion: Mets  
2nd Place: Cardinals*

#### AAA National Regular Season

*Champion: Cardinals  
2nd Place: Mets*

#### AA National Regular Season

*Champion: Diamondbacks  
2nd Place: Cardinals*

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### *Post Season Champions*

#### Majors Post Season Tournament

*Champion: Mariners  
Runner-up: Orioles*

#### AAA Post Season Tournament A

*Champion: Yankees  
Runner-up: White Sox*

#### AA Post Season Tournament

*Champion: Diamondbacks  
Runner-up: Orioles*

#### A Post Season Tournament A

*Champion: Pirates  
Runner-up: Braves*

#### AAA Post Season Tournament B

*Champion: Nationals  
Runner-up: Cubs*

#### A Post Season Tournament B

*Champion: Mets  
Runner-up: Marlins*

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 11 & 12 Year Olds

1984: WSL\* 2003: WSL - American  
1986: WSL\* 2005: WSL - American

### WSLL 10 & 11 Year Olds

2004: WSL - National 2012: WSL - American  
2007: WSL - American

## District 9 Champions

### WSLL 11 & 12 Year Olds

1974: WSL\* 2003: WSL - American  
1977: WSL\* 2004: WSL - National  
1983: WSL\* 2005: WSL - American  
1984: WSL\* 2007: WSL - National  
1986: WSL\* 2009: WSL - National  
1987: WSL\* 2010: WSL - American  
1999: WSL - National 2011: WSL - American  
2002: WSL - National

### WSLL 10 & 11 Year Olds

2004: WSL - National 2009: WSL - American  
2006: WSL - National 2010: WSL - National  
2007: WSL - American 2012: WSL - American  
2008: WSL - American

### WSLL 9 & 10 Year Olds

1999: WSL - National 2007: WSL - American  
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2001: WSL - National 2011: WSL - American  
2003: WSL - National 2012: WSL - American  
2006: WSL - American

## Virginia State Runners - Up

### WSLL 11 & 12 Year Olds

1983: WSL\* 2004: WSL - National  
2002: WSL - National 2007: WSL - National

### WSLL 10 & 11 Year Olds

2008: WSL - American

### WSLL 9 & 10 Year Olds

2000: WSL - National 2011: WSL - American  
2003: WSL - National 2012: WSL - American

## Regional Semi-Finalists

**WSLL 11 & 12 Year Olds**  
2003: WSL - American

**WSLL 10 & 11 Year Olds**  
2012: WSL - American

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