



Recreation
League
2012

**TULSA GIRLS SOFTBALL
FEDERATION**

Introductions

- Randy Cody: TGSF Vice Chairman, Director-Rec. League
- Karen Franklin: Asst. Director-Rec. League
- Karen Cody: Signup Coordinator
- Ron Mayfield: UIC
- Lynn Arnold: TGSF Chairman, Director-Tournaments, Office Manager

Thank You!

- Thank you for volunteering to coach. We could not do this without you!



Conduct and Sportsmanship

- TGSF's goal is to conduct a league that adheres to the concept of good sportsmanship. TGSF requires ALL coaches and parents to sign a code of ethics agreement. ALL coaches MUST complete a background check authorization and complete an NYSCA certification program.
- Conduct and sportsmanship apply to all aspects of the game: umpires, other teams, fans and players.
- TGSF reserves the right to judge any conduct detrimental to the league or association and take appropriate action against such parties. Formal complaints must be made in writing and sent to TGSF-P.O. Box 691973-Tulsa, OK 74169.

Coach Certification

- Need to certify online at www.nays.org/coaches
- Select Tulsa Girls Softball Federation
- First year – \$25, continuing \$20
- One coach from each team must be certified. It is recommended that at least two coaches be certified
- All coaches must complete a background check. Forms are available online at www.tulsagirlssoftball.com. A copy of driver's license must be attached and form turned in to TGSF. Head coach needs to register and process background check online at www.nays.org/coaches (link is on TGSF web site).
- Certifications and background checks must be done annually
- If you have a background check completed through another organization, school, etc., we still need you to complete the form for TGSF

Spring Season

- April 2nd – May 24th
- 14-16 games scheduled
- Rainouts are not made up (hope for 12)
- Scores must be called/emailed in by both teams
- Playoffs – June 1-3, 2012
 - All teams participate! If it rains, we will play until finished, be sure to tell parents because of vacations, etc.)



Game Times

- 6U/8U will have 6:00/7:20 p.m. time slots with a 1:10 minute time limit
- 10U-18U will have 6:30/8:00 p.m. time slots with a 1:20 minute time limit
- Games to be played at Savage and Bixby, some age groups may travel to other locations
- League games CAN end in a tie (when inning is completed)

Game Cancellations/Forfeits

- A check equivalent to 2 games will be due at the coaches turn in meeting
 - \$50 for ages 6U/8U; \$66 for ages 10-18U
- If you are unable to play a game, contact the other coach, TGSF representative (info in packet #3) 48 hours in advance to avoid having your forfeiture fee cashed
- If you are the visiting team and the home team does not show up, you are NOT responsible for paying the umpires

Trophies/Awards

- Trophy presentation on Friday, June 1, 2012
- 6U – all players receive participation trophy
- 8-18U – 1st, 2nd receive team/individual; 3rd, 4th receive team only
- All teams participate in league playoffs
- Playoffs also have awards
- Player of the Year/Coach of the Year awards

Umpires



- Home team is responsible for paying.
- Umpires will be scheduled for all age groups.
- If there is a shortage, they will be pulled from younger age groups. If you do not have an umpire, use a parent; game will not count in standings
- Report any umpire no show to Community Chair.
- Fees – one umpire: 6U/8U – one umpire - \$25.00; 10U-18U – one umpire - \$33.00 ; 10U-18U - two umpire - \$27.00 each
- Incentive Program – please let us know when an umpire is doing a good job, not just the bad

Know Your Rules

- The best thing you can do for your team is to know your rules!
- If you have a question, call and we will be happy to explain a rule.



- USSSA Rules are online at www.ussa.com. League rules will be in one of your packets.

Registration

- Team registration
 - Must be registered with USSSA to participate in USSSA events
 - One fee per team, no individual fees/cards
 - Birth certificates must be available at all times
 - Roster must stay updated for players to be covered
- Player must complete online contract and pay fee to be eligible
- Purchased separately from insurance
- Cost
 - \$30 per team
 - **TGSF purchases for league teams**

Insurance

- Rates
 - Team rates
 - Age based
 - League
 - TGSF purchases for league teams
 - Deductible - \$250
 - Term options
- Limits
 - \$2,000,000 general liability
 - \$100,000 accident medical
- Coverage
 - Secondary policy
 - Good for all sanctions
 - Must be USSSA registered team
 - Must keep roster updated
 - Two options – one covers tournaments; one does not



Pitching Machines/Videos

- TGSF has pitching machines available for checkout. A contact list will be provided in a later packet. Pitching machines come with balls only. You must have electricity source
- Training videos/DVDs are also available for checkout. These including hitting, pitching, coaching etc. Contact Randy for more info

Turn-In Paperwork

- Roster/Contract Checklist
 - All items on roster must be completed and coach/mgr. must sign at bottom. I need the original roster plus one copy.
 - You may revise your roster through April 30th, #1 and #2 still apply.
 - All contracts must be online.
 - Birth certificates must be turned in unless on file with TGSE.
 - Complete team information sheet, including no play dates.
 - Complete appropriate number of background check forms, attach driver's license. One coach must complete online background check.
 - At least one coach per team must take the NYSCA certification test and a copy of the completion certificate must be on file prior to season start date.
 - Enclose forfeiture fee.
- All forms must be turned in at the meeting on Sunday, February 26th at Savage from 1-3 p.m.
- Items due: team information sheet, roster (even if incomplete), player birth certificates (unless on file), player registration fees-if not paid online, forfeiture fee, background check forms w/copy of driver's license and certification verification.

Packets

- 1st - background checks, team information sheet, roster, certification information, coaches checklist, and league information (coach meeting)
- 2nd – tournament schedules, summer & fall season information, rulebooks (when paperwork turned in)
- 3rd – scorebook, lineup sheets, rainout information, field locations, score reporting information (with schedules)

Park Upkeep

- We are very proud to have such a great park and consider it to be one of the best around. Please help us to keep it clean!
- Clean dugout and pick up trash in area after game
- Parents need to be responsible for their trash in the bleacher area and set a good example for the girls



Tournaments

- Savage hosts tournaments almost every weekend from March through November
- Enter one today, the learning experience is much more than you can accomplish with just league alone. Maximum rec. team can enter is 3 per year.
- Tournament schedule is online and will be included in packet #2
- Working tournaments – teams receive 40% of net profit, responsible for field upkeep, trash, bathrooms, etc. – good fundraiser

Summer/Fall League

- Summer: June 4-July 5
 - 10 games - \$60 – 7U through 14U
 - Competitive and Rec. Leagues
- Fall: September 4-October 11
 - 12 games - \$75 – 7U through 14U
 - Open Leagues (unless enough to split)
- A great chance for more games and a chance to learn without the pressure of trophies, etc.
- Increased competition level.

Web Page/Social Media

- www.tulsagirlssoftball.com
 - Online registration for players
 - All forms are available for download
 - Tournament schedule
 - Contact information
- www.fastpitch tournaments.org
 - All TGSF tournaments are listed
 - Can enter online
- www.twitter.com/tgsf67
 - Using for rainout information and important updates
- www.facebook.com (search for Tulsa girls softball)
 - Using for important updates

Volunteers



- TGSF is a volunteer organization and without the help of many volunteers, we could not provide the services we do. Please let your parents, kids, friends know that we can use and appreciate their help
- 2011 Volunteer needs
 - July 22-29 – 6-7-8U & 14B USSSA World Series
 - Oct. 13-14 – 8-18U Monster Mash
 - Nov. 3-4 – 16-18U Fall Showcase
 - Any weekend March – October
- Contact Billie Stafford
 - Billie Stafford @ 918-437-4424

TGSF Information

- Tulsa Girls Softball Federation
 - P.O. Box 691973
 - Tulsa, OK 74169
 - 918-437-5072
 - Fax 918-610-5767
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 - www.tulsagirlssoftball.com
 - www.fastpitch tournaments.org
 - www.twitter.com/tgsf67
 - www.facebook.com

Contact Information

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Questions/Comments



- Any questions?
- Any comments?