

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT  
JUNE 27, 2007

**SOFTBALL REMINDER...**  
**NATIONAL INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENTS READY FOR 2007**

For the 2007 season, National Invitational Tournaments are being held for the 10U, 14U and 18U age divisions.

Any *Babe Ruth Softball* league may enter one or more teams in these National Invitational Tournaments. The only qualifying rules are that your league was chartered for 2007 and issued a Letter of Eligibility by your State Commissioner confirming that your league has met all eligibility requirements.

You are invited to participate in the National Invitational Tournament regardless of your league's tournament standings. Participating teams may be local season teams, or your league's tournament teams.

As these are invitational tournaments, there will be a \$350 per team entry fee charged. All proceeds go to the hosting league. All participating teams are responsible for the cost of their own transportation, housing and meals. All teams must be covered by group accident and commercial general liability insurance.

Each team will have a minimum 4-game guarantee. All tournaments will begin with pool play, then the teams with the best records will advance to the elimination round.

*There is a deadline date for each of the National Invitational Tournaments, therefore, teams will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. These tournaments are expected to fill up fast, so you will want to register early to ensure your berth.*

Listed below are the sites and dates for each national invitational tournament, as well as the Host President's name and contact information.

**10U - Wilson County, North Carolina** -August 9-12, 2007

Host President - Mickey Davis

Phone: 252-239-0652 Email: mgd39@wcyaa.org

**14U - Abbeville, Louisiana** -August 4-9, 2007

Host President - Tommy Picard

Phone: 337-898-4272 Email: vyouth@aol.com

**18U - Stamford, Connecticut** -July 25-29, 2007

Host President - Charles Pia

Phone: 203-327-0135 Email: crpia14@aol.com

We are excited about this new tournaments and encourage each of you to allow your league players the opportunity to experience the memorable times, as well as the

cultural and social exchange, that come from participating in a national invitational tournament.

We at “home plate” are proud to continue our focus on the betterment of our future citizens, our children. With your assistance, we look forward to helping communities provide opportunities for our youth, via the **Babe Ruth League experience**, so that they are encouraged to learn to become responsible contributing adults, who, in turn, will help and guide the next generation.

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