

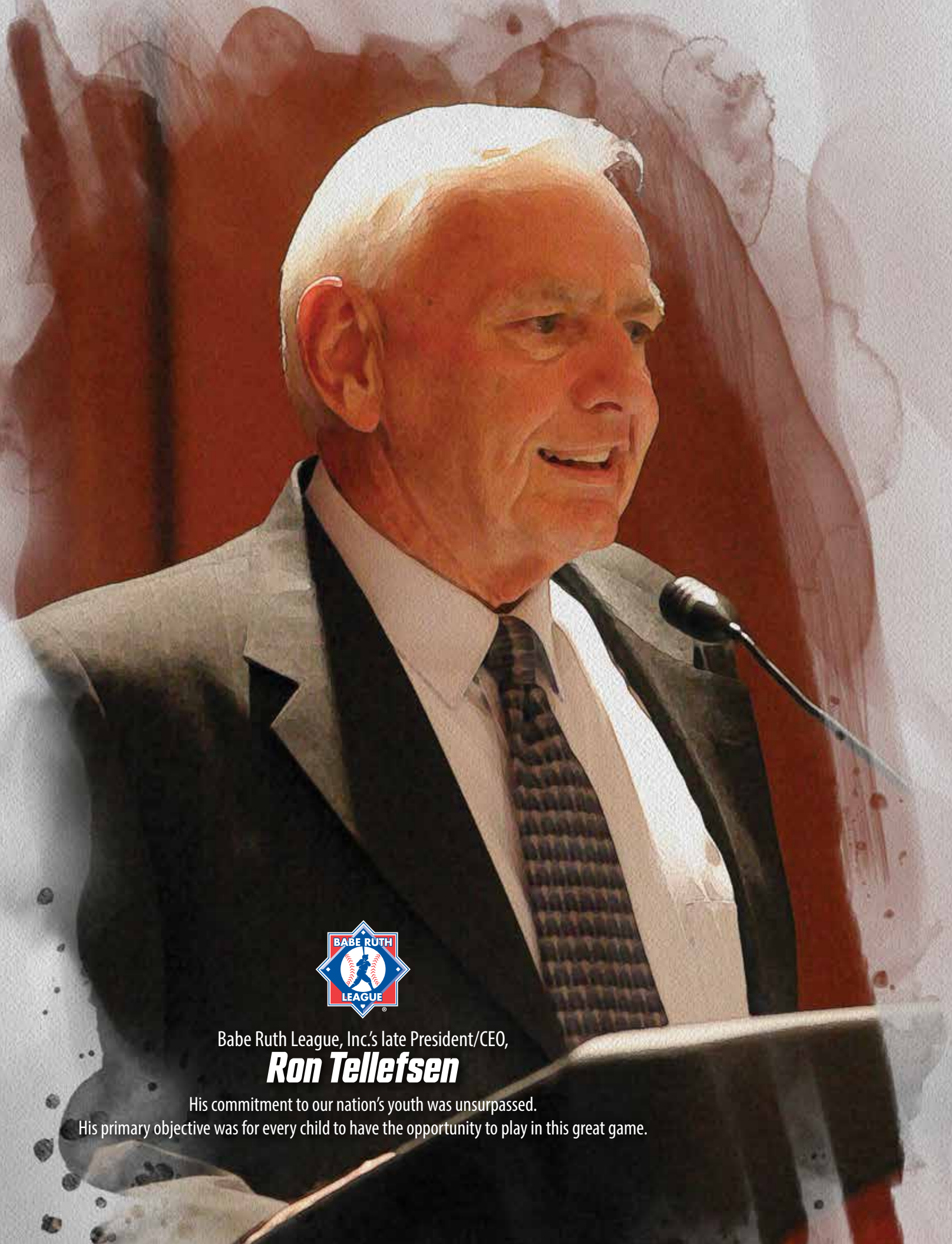


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BABE RUTH LEAGUE, INC.

**MEDIA
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Babe Ruth League, Inc.'s late President/CEO,
Ron Tellefsen

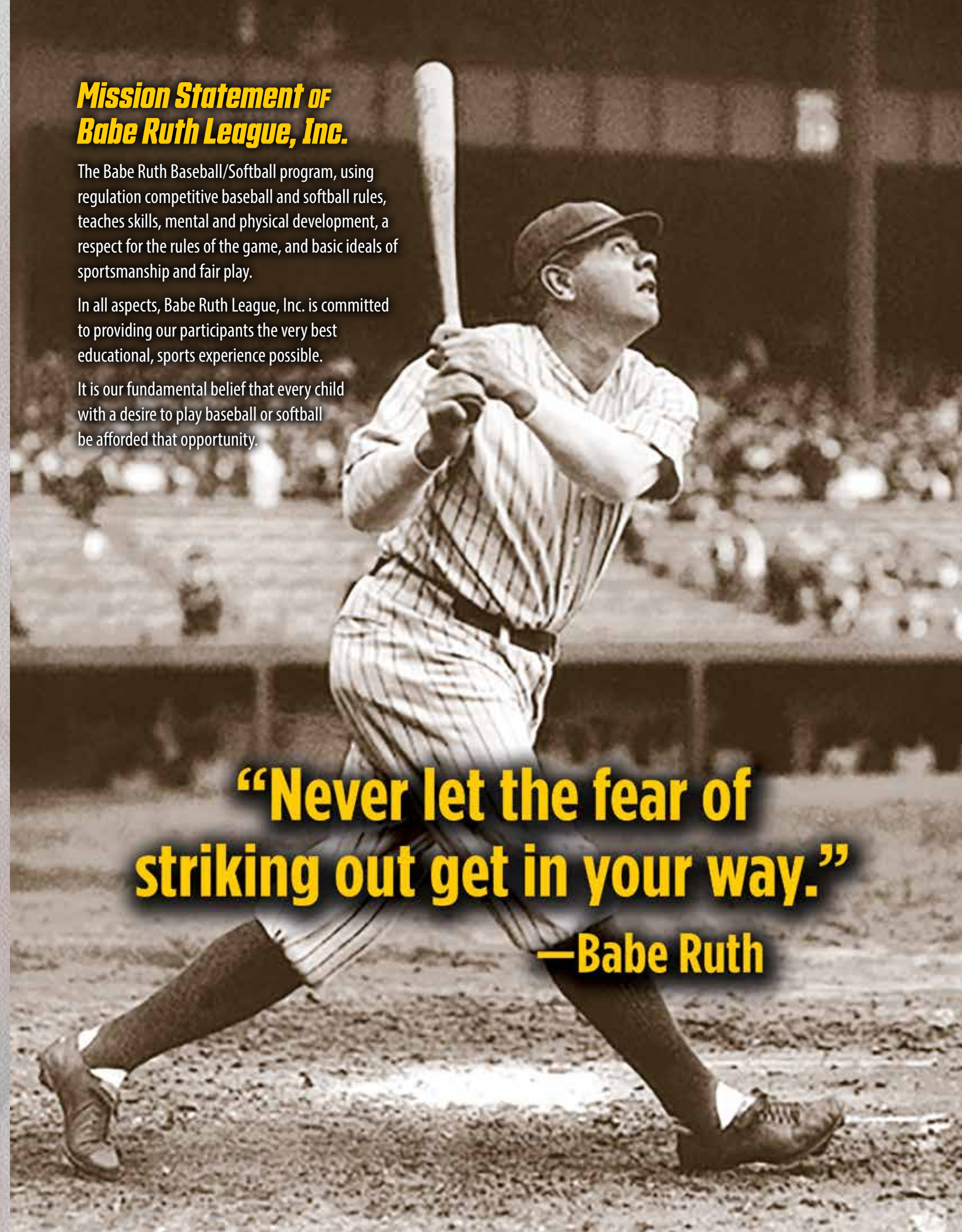
His commitment to our nation's youth was unsurpassed.
His primary objective was for every child to have the opportunity to play in this great game.

Mission Statement of Babe Ruth League, Inc.

The Babe Ruth Baseball/Softball program, using regulation competitive baseball and softball rules, teaches skills, mental and physical development, a respect for the rules of the game, and basic ideals of sportsmanship and fair play.

In all aspects, Babe Ruth League, Inc. is committed to providing our participants the very best educational, sports experience possible.

It is our fundamental belief that every child with a desire to play baseball or softball be afforded that opportunity.



**“Never let the fear of
striking out get in your way.”**

—Babe Ruth



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BABE RUTH LEAGUE Board of Directors

The International Babe Ruth Board of Directors, composed of not more than 17 persons, including the Chairman of the Board and the President/CEO, direct the affairs and policies of Babe Ruth League, Inc. The eight Regional Baseball Commissioners serve as Board members along with eight “at large” members who are volunteers from all walks of life, representing the combined thinking of Babe Ruth’s adults at all levels of administration.

STEVEN M. TELLEFSEN, *President/CEO*

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Pacific Southwest Region
ROBERT MOTTA
El Segundo, California

Each season, communities from across the United States and throughout Canada join the Babe Ruth League program.

Close to 1,000,000 young athletes enjoy participating under the Babe Ruth League umbrella playing Babe Ruth Baseball, Cal Ripken Baseball and Babe Ruth Softball.

The program has been cited by government, educational, civic, religious and recreational organizations throughout the world, including: Freedom Foundation, 67th Congress of the United States, National Federation of State High School Associations, and the International Film Festival-Cannes, France.

Babe Ruth League, Inc. is a non-profit, educational organization and an active member or associate participant in such organizations as: American Alliance for Health, Physical Education and Recreation; Major League Baseball; National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum; National Fastpitch Coaches Association; National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations; National Recreation and Parks Association; USA Baseball; United States Olympic Committee and World Leisure and Recreation Association.



BABE RUTH LEAGUE, Inc. Advisory Board

Babe Ruth League, Inc. has formed an Advisory Board whose purpose is to provide assistance and guidance to Babe Ruth Headquarters on specific projects and/or research. Individuals serving on the Advisory Board must be interested in developing better citizenship as well as physical and emotional maturity of youngsters through youth baseball and softball.

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

AFFILIATION

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Julie Smith, La Verne, CA	Univ. of La Verne Softball Coach
Terry Wheeler, Manteo, NC	Retired, County Manager
Bill White, Upper Black Eddy, PA.....	Past National League President
Margie Wright, Fresno, CA	Retired, Fresno State Softball Coach

People Are Talking ...

“Just as baseball is the sport of families, there is one baseball family. We ardently believe that the baseball family includes the fans, coaches, administrators and youth players of the Babe Ruth League and at all levels in the many communities where our game is played and enjoyed. Major League Baseball commends all of Babe Ruth Baseball’s participants.”

ROB MANFRED
Commissioner of Baseball

“Babe Ruth League is extremely grateful for the support Major League Baseball provides for all the young baseball and softball players of our country. I would also like to thank all the great volunteers in the Babe Ruth program. It is through their dedicated service to youth that Babe Ruth League is so successful.”

STEVEN TELLEFSEN
President/CEO
Babe Ruth League, Inc.

“It’s our goal that each youngster who plays in the Cal Ripken Baseball Division will not only learn the basics of the game, but will also experience the same level of excitement I felt every day when I put on my uniform and got ready to play. There’s nothing else like it!”

CAL RIPKEN, JR.

In Michael Jordan’s Words ...

“Even now, when people talk about my greatest thrill being the shot against Georgetown to win the NCAA title, I still think to myself that my greatest accomplishment really is the Most Valuable Player Award I got when my Babe Ruth League team won the state baseball championship.”

THE JORDAN RULES
by Sam Smith



- 1997** Babe Ruth League, Inc. opened an office in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.
- 1999** Babe Ruth Baseball held its first 14-Year-Old World Series in Clifton Park, New York.
- 2001** 50th Anniversary of Babe Ruth League
- 2002** Babe Ruth teams participate in "T-Ball on the South Lawn" at the White House. President George W. Bush initiated the program and appointed Cal Ripken, Jr. as T-Ball Commissioner.
- 2003** Babe Ruth League, Inc. opened an office in Newark, Ohio.
- 2007** Babe Ruth Baseball held its first Cal Ripken 70' World Series in Aberdeen, Maryland.
- 2009** Jim Rice, Babe Ruth graduate, inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.
- 2011** Babe Ruth League establishes Alumni Association.
- 2013** Babe Ruth League establishes Xtreme Softball program.
- 2014** Frank Thomas, a Babe Ruth graduate, inducted into Baseball Hall of Fame.
- 2015** Randy Johnson and John Smoltz, Babe Ruth graduates, inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.
- 2016** Mike Piazza, a Babe Ruth graduate, inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.
- 2017** Jack Morris, a Babe Ruth graduate, inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.
- 2018** Babe Ruth League hosted its first Cal Ripken 8-Year-Old, 9-Year-Old and 11/70 Invitational World Series in Jensen Beach, Florida.
- 2019** Babe Ruth League hosted its first Cal Ripken 8-Year-Old Player Pitch Invitational World Series in Cherry Hill, New Jersey.

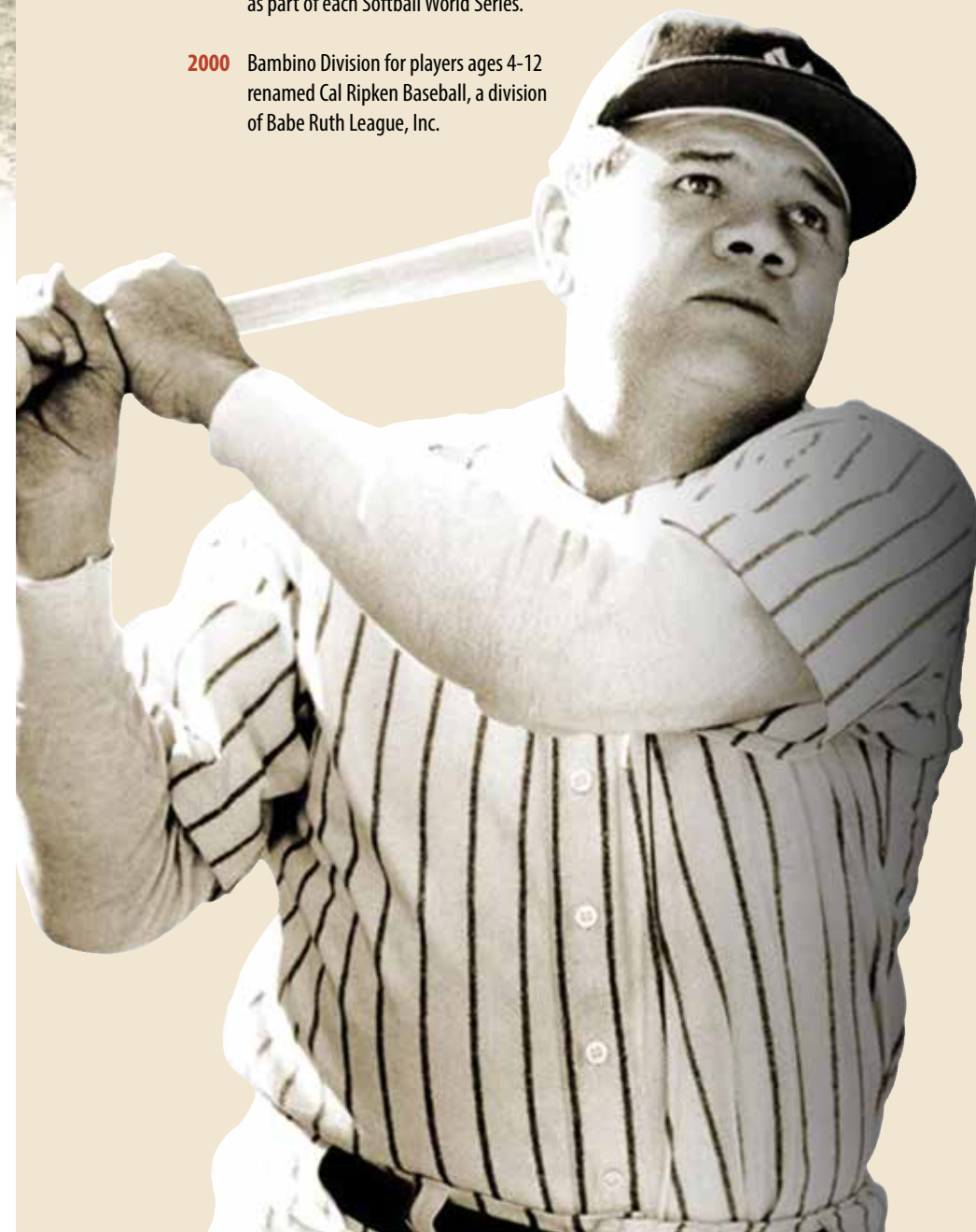
Babe Ruth Softball held its first 12U World Series in Jamestown, New York.

Babe Ruth Softball held its first 16U World Series in Dare County, North Carolina.

George Brett and Nolan Ryan, Babe Ruth graduates, inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.

The Little Sister program was established as part of each Softball World Series.

2000 Bambino Division for players ages 4-12 renamed Cal Ripken Baseball, a division of Babe Ruth League, Inc.



HIGHLIGHTS IN BABE RUTH LEAGUE HISTORY:

- 1951** Babe Ruth Baseball was founded in Hamilton Township, a suburb of Trenton, New Jersey to provide wholesome amateur baseball for 13,14 and 15-year-old players.
- 1952** Babe Ruth Baseball held its first World Series for the 13-15 year-old division in Trenton, New Jersey.
- 1958** First World Series held outside the United States in Vancouver, B.C., Canada.
- 1961** Babe Ruth Baseball institutes Host Family program at World Series competition.
- The Hostess program was established as part of each World Series.
- 1966** Babe Ruth Baseball, recognizing the need for an older division, formed the 16-18 year-old division.
- 1968** Babe Ruth Baseball held its first World Series for the 16-18 year-old division in Morristown, New Jersey.
- 1974** Babe Ruth Baseball, in order to provide greater participation for younger players, formed the Babe Ruth Prep League limited to 13-year-old players.
- 1980** Babe Ruth Baseball held its first World Series for the 13-year-old players in Jamestown, New York.
- 1982** Babe Ruth Baseball instituted its Bambino Division for those players ages 4-12.
- National Umpires Association founded to better serve Babe Ruth leagues nationally.
- 1984** Babe Ruth Baseball held its first Bambino Division (4-12) World Series in Shelbyville, Indiana.
- 1984** Babe Ruth Softball, designed for girls ages 4 through 18, made its debut.
- 1986** Babe Ruth Baseball World Series Training Center opened in Jamestown, New York.
- 1987** Rookie League became part of the Bambino Division.
- 1988** Babe Ruth Baseball began to offer a summer baseball camp.
- 1989** Carl Yastrzemski, a Babe Ruth graduate, inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame. First Babe Ruth graduate to attain this honor.
- 1990** Joe Morgan and Jim Palmer, Babe Ruth graduates, inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.
- 1991** Rod Carew, a Babe Ruth graduate, inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.
- 1994** Babe Ruth Baseball held its first 16-Year-Old World Series in Carmel, Indiana.



Regions of Babe Ruth League



This map illustrates the eight regions of Babe Ruth League, Inc. Each region is comprised of the state organizations.

The Local League Level

The foundation of the Babe Ruth program is the local league level. Each Cal Ripken Baseball, Babe Ruth Baseball, and Babe Ruth Softball league is organized within a community by a group of select people, who usually serve as a temporary board until regular elections of officers can be held. State Commissioners help local leagues establish geographical boundaries—which are protected by Babe Ruth League, Inc.—from which to draw their players.

Babe Ruth local leagues operate with the spirit of democracy and with much autonomy. In addition, Babe Ruth League, Inc. provides materials to help leagues establish their own Constitution and By-Laws and plan meetings.

All league officers, managers, coaches, umpires and miscellaneous personnel should be volunteers from within the community and should be individuals who care about teaching the youth of their community the ideals of sportsmanship, fair play, respect for self and others and high morality.

The District Level

A District is an established area within a state that can consist of between five to ten leagues. A District Commissioner is a volunteer who operates the Babe Ruth program within each district according to the Babe Ruth Rules and Regulations, State's Constitution and By-Laws and its policies.

The District Commissioner assists the local leagues whenever needed. He/she holds several meetings per year to keep his/her leagues updated on the special programs as well as possible policy and rule changes. The District Commissioner serves as the local league's liaison with the State Commissioner.

The State Level

The District Commissioner reports to the State Commissioner. Depending on its size and the population of its leagues, a state organization may consist of an entire state or a portion of a state. State Commissioners are volunteers who operate the Babe Ruth program within each state organization according to the Babe Ruth Rules and Regulations as well as any applicable state-level by-laws and policies.

The State Commissioner is responsible for:

- Assisting local league officials when needed or requested by District Commissioners.
- Holding elections for District Commissioners elected by the local leagues within the respective district.
- Holding several meetings per year, including an election meeting where each District Commissioner votes for the State Commissioner; a meeting devoted to league eligibility for tournament play, as well as a complete review of all Babe Ruth Rules and Regulations for local league and tournament play; and meetings to review the special programs offered by Babe Ruth International Headquarters to address any District concerns and review possible policy and rule changes.
- Operating State Tournaments and working through his/her District Commissioners to make certain all leagues are eligible for tournament play.
- Presenting to the Regional Commissioner (the next level) for review all District concerns within his/her state in order that the state's recommendations are presented properly to Babe Ruth International Headquarters.

The Regional Level

The State Commissioner reports to the Regional Commissioner, of which there are eight. A regional organization consists of several states. A Regional Commissioner operates the Babe Ruth program within each region according to the Babe Ruth Rules and Regulations and the program's policies and procedures.

The Regional Commissioner is responsible for:

- Assisting local league officials when needed or requested by District or State Commissioners.
- Holding one or two workshops per year where the operations of the region and the Babe Ruth program are reviewed thoroughly.
- Operating and administering the Regional Tournaments in conjunction with his/her Assistant Regional Commissioners.
- Presenting to Babe Ruth International Headquarters (the next level) for review any regional concerns and subsequent action.

International Headquarters

Elected by the Board of Directors is the President/CEO of Babe Ruth League, Inc. who leads the program's operation and administration. Full-time staff members (including the President/CEO) work with the program's volunteer network of over one million individuals to provide the very best educational, sports experience possible for participants.

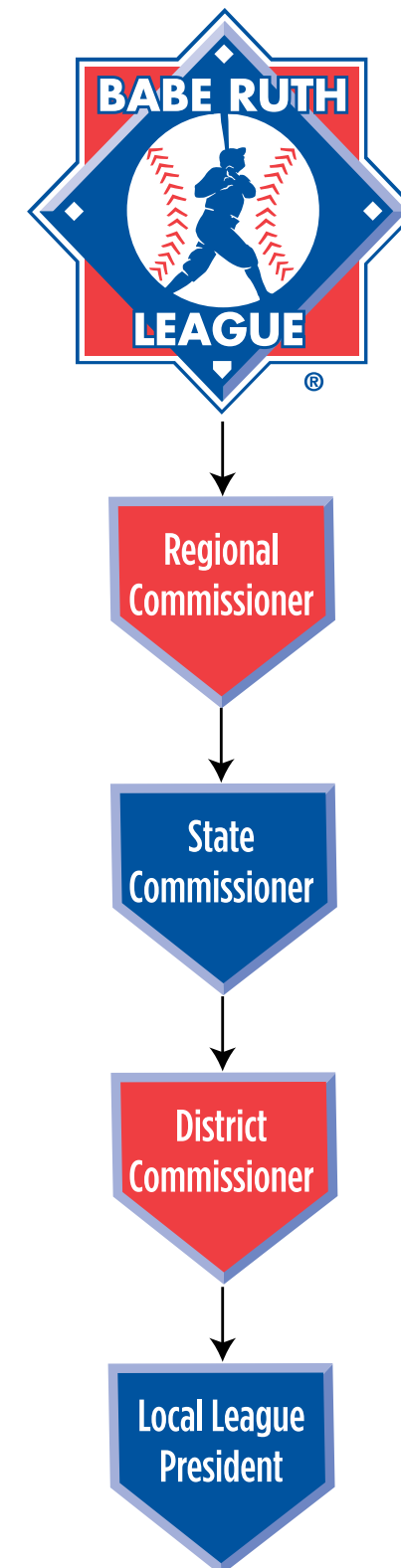
The International Headquarters for the administration of Babe Ruth League, Inc. is located in Mercer County, New Jersey.

The Board of Directors

At the top of the chain of command is the Babe Ruth League International Board of Directors, including the President/CEO who directs the affairs and policies of Babe Ruth League, Inc. The eight Regional Commissioners serve as Board Members, along with eight "at-large" members.



Babe Ruth League Chain of Command





A

Chance Adams - Scottsdale, AZ
Logan Allen - W. Palm Beach, FL
Chris Archer - Raleigh, NC
Shawn Armstrong - New Bern, NC

B

Homer Bailey - LaGrange, TX
Matt Barnes - Bethel, CT
Tres Barrera - Eagle Pass, TX
Aaron Barrett - Evansville, IN
Trevor Bauer - Hollywood, CA
Tyler Beede - Worcester, MA
Jalen Beeks - Fayetteville, AR
Cody Bellinger - Hamilton, AZ
Anthony Bemboom - St. Cloud, MN
Mookie Betts - Nashville, TN
Brandon Bishop - Woodland, CA
Bobby Bradley - Gulfport, MS
Jackie Bradley - Richmond, VA
Michael Brantley - Ft. Pierce, FL
John Brebbia - Wellington, FL
Jeff Brigham - Federal Way, WA
Michael Brosseau - Munster, IN
Seth Brown - Klamath Falls, OR
Clay Buchholz - Nederland, TX
Ryan Buchter - Highland, NJ
Walker Buehler - Lexington, KY
Madison Bumgarner - Hickory, NC
Nick Burdi - Downers Grove, IL
Corbin Burnes - Bakersfield, CA
Drew Butera - Evansville, IN
Ty Buttrey - Matthews, NC

C

Willie Calhoun - Vallejo, CA
Cody Carroll - Mt. Juliet, TN
Curt Casali - New Canaan, CT
Lonnie Chisenhall - West Carteret, NC
Steve Cishek - Falmouth, MA
Aaron Civale - Windsor, CT
Mike Clevinger - Jacksonville, FL
Tyler Clippard - Lexington, KY
Andrew Cole - Oviedo, FL
Tim Collins - Worcester, MA
Jharel Colton - Virgin Islands
Garrett Cooper - Torrance, CA
Patrick Corbin - Syracuse, NY
Brandon Crawford - Pleasanton, CA

D

JD Davis - Elk Grove, CA
Jonathan Davis - Camden, AR
Rajai Davis - New London, CT
Wade Davis - Lake Wales, FL
Jacob deGrom - DeLand, FL
Anthony DeSclafani - Colts Neck, NJ

Ian Desmond - Sarasota, FL
Corey Dickerson - McComb, MS
Nick Dini - Monroe, NJ
Josh Donaldson - Mobile, AL
Sean Doolittle - Medford, NJ
Oliver Drake - Worcester, MA
Brandon Drury - Grants Pass, OR
Danny Duffy - Lompoc, CA
Jon Duplantier - Newark, DE
Adam Duvall - Louisville, KY
Jarrod Dyson - McComb, MS

E

Zach Eflin - Oviedo, FL
AJ Ellis - Turfand, KY
Jake Elmore - Dothan, AL
Phil Ervin - Mobile, AL

F

Tim Federowicz - Apex, NC
Matt Festa - Staten Island, NY
Heath Fillmyer - Florence, NJ
Doug Fister - Merced, CA
Ryan Flaherty - Portland, ME
Dylan Floro - Merced, CA
Mike Ford - Montgomery, NJ
Jake Fraley - Frederick, MD
Caleb Frare - Miles City, MT
David Freitas - Elk Grove, CA
Jace Fry - Beaverton, OR
Michael Fulmer - Edmond, OK

G

Zac Gallen - Gibbsboro, NJ
Ben Gamel - Jacksonville, FL
Scooter Gennett - Sarasota, FL
Craig Gentry - Fort Smith, AR
Mike Gerber - Nashville, TN
Kyle Gibson - Greenfield, IN
Brian Goodwin - Rocky Mount, NC
Dee Gordon - Avon Park, FL
Trevor Gott - Lexington, KY
Zack Granite - Staten Island, NY
Sonny Gray - Smyrna, TN
Chad Green - Effingham, IL
Zach Greinke - Apopka, FL
Robert Gsellman - Westchester, CA

H

Jesse Hahn - Norwich, CT
Ian Hamilton - Dover, NH
Garrett Hampson - Reno, NV
J.A. Happ - Spring Valley, IL
Hunter Harvey - Catawba, NC
Joe Harvey - Audubon, PA
Matt Harvey - New London, CT
Chris Hatcher - Kinston, NC

Chase Headley - Fountain, CO
Jeremy Hellickson - Des Moines, IA
Sam Hentges - Shoreview, MN
David Hernandez - Sacramento, CA
John Hicks - Richmond, VA
Rich Hill - Milltown, MA
Nico Hoerner - Oakland, CA
Jeff Hoffman - Latham, NY
Jonathan Holder - Gulfport, MS
Derek Holland - Newark, OH
Clay Holmes - Dothan, AL
Grant Holmes - Conway, SC
Rhys Hoskins - Sacramento, CA
James Hoyt - Boise, ID
Jared Hughes - Stamford, CT
Clint Hurdle - Merritt Island, FL

I

Chris Iannetta - Providence, RI

J

Randy Jackson - Greenville, SC
Danny Jansen - Appleton, WI
Eloy Jimenez - Dominican Republic
Nate Jones - Pendleton, KY
Caleb Joseph - Nashville, TN
Corban Joseph - Franklin, TN

K

Tommy Kahnle - Latham, NY
Kyle Keller - Metairie, LA
Mitch Keller - Cedar Rapids, IA
Trevor Kelley - Providence, RI
Shawn Kelly - Louisville, KY
Tony Kemp - Franklin, TN
Howie Kendrick - Jacksonville, FL
Brett Kennedy - Pomona, NJ
Isiah Kiner-Falefa - Honolulu, HI
Michael King - Providence, RI
Branden Kline - Frederick, MD
Andrew Knizner - Glen Allen, VA

L

Tommy LaStella - Westwood, NJ
DJ LeMahieu - Visalia, CA
Dominic Leone - Norwich, CT
Jon Lester - Tacoma, WA
Walker Lockett - Jacksonville, FL
Jed Lowrie - Salem, OR
Jordan Luplow - Visalia, CA
Gavin Lux - Kenosha, WI
Lance Lynn - Marion Co., IN

M

Tyler Mahle - Westminster, CA
Luke Maile - Covington, KY
Phil Matson - Paducah, KY

Trevor May - Kelso, WA
Cameron Maybin - Asheville, NC
Jake Mayfield - Del Rio, TX
Tim Mayza - Perkiomen, PA
John Means - Olathe, KS
Conner Menez - Hollister, CA
Miles Mikolas - Jupiter, FL
Wade Miley - Hammond, LA
Andrew Miller - Gainesville, FL
Justin Miller - Torrance, CA
Mike Minor - Lewisburg, TN
Jordan Montgomery - Sumter, SC
Brian Moran - Port Chester, NY
Colin Moran - Port Chester, NY
Logan Morrison - Slidell, LA
Brandon Morrow - Rohnert Park, CA
Charles Morton - Flemington, NJ
Daniel Murphy - Jacksonville, FL
Patrick Murphy - Chandler, AZ

N

Jimmy Nelson - Klamath Falls, OR
Pat Neshek - Park Center, MN
Sean Newcomb - Middleboro, MA
Brandon Nimmo - Cheyenne, WY
Jake Noll - Punta Gorda, FL

O

Darren O'Day - Jacksonville, FL
Scott Oberg - Tewksbury, MA
Josh Osich - Boise, ID

P

Daniel Palka - Greenville, SC
Joe Panik - East Fishkill, NY
Thomas Pannone - Cranston, RI
Blake Parker - Fayetteville, AR
James Paxton - Richmond, BC
Brad Peacock - Palm Beach, FL
Dustin Pedroia - Woodland, CA
Josh Phegley - Terre Haute, IN
Evan Phillips - Salisbury, MD
Stephen Piscotty - Pleasanton, CA

USA Women's National Team - Baseball

Megan Baltzell - Stafford, VA

Tom Brady - San Mateo, CA
Jack Del Rio - Hayward, CA
Chris Drury - Trumbull, CT
John Elway - Pullman, WA
Jimmy Fallon - Saugerties, NY

Kevin Plawecki - Westfield, IN
Zach Plesac - Crown Point, IN
AJ Pollock - Hebron, CT
Rick Porcello - Morristown, NJ
Bobby Poyner - Palm Beach, FL
David Price - Nashville, TN
AJ Puk - Cedar Rapids, IA

R

Robbie Ray - Brentwood, TN
Sean Reid-Foley - Guam
Bryan Reynolds - Brentwood, TN
Garrett Richards - Edmond, OK
Chaz Roe - Lexington, KY
Sal Romano - Southington, CT
Tyson Ross - Oakland, CA
David Ross - Tallahassee, FL
Joe Ross - Oakland, CA
Kyle Ryan - Auburndale, FL

S

C.C. Sabathia - Vallejo, CA
Connor Sadzeck - Crystal Lake, IL
Chris Sale - Lakeland, FL
Hector Santiago - Bloomfield, NJ
Scott Schebler - Cedar Rapids, IA
Justin Shafer - Lake Wales, FL
Bryan Shaw - Livermore, CA
Chris Shaw - Lexington, MA
Michael Shawaryn - Carneys Pt., NJ
Tony Sipp - Pascagoula, MS
Eric Skoglund - Sarasota, FL
Devin Smeltzer - Voorhees, NJ
Mallex Smith - Tallahassee, FL
Drew Smyly - Little Rock, AR
Cy Sneed - Twin Falls, ID
Chad Sobotka - Sarasota, FL
George Springer - New Britain, CT
Jacob Stallings - Brentwood, TN
Giancarlo Stanton - La Crescenta, CA
Cody Stashak - Somers Pt., NJ
Max Stassi - Woodland, CA
DJ Stewart - Gainesville, FL

USA Women's National Team - Softball

Michelle Moultrie - Jacksonville, FL

Notable Alumni

Jared Goff - Novato, CA
Rob Gronkowski - Williamsville, NY
Michael Jordan - Wilmington, NC
Brooks Koepka - West Palm Beach, FL
Mike Leach - Cody, WY

Matt Strahm - West Fargo, ND
Treyson Supak - La Grange, TX
Matt Szczur - Cape May, NJ

T

Michael Taylor - Apopka, FL
Tyrone Taylor - Torrance, CA
Ryan Tepera - Brazoswood, TX
Devon Travis - Palm Beach, FL
Mike Trout - Millville, NJ
Spencer Turnbull - Demopolis, AL
Trea Turner - Boynton Beach, FL

U

Duane Underwood - Raleigh, NC
Julio Urias - Mexico

V

Daniel Vogelbach - Ft. Myers, FL
Stephen Vogt - Visalia, CA

W

Adam Wainwright - Columbus, GA
Marcus Walden - Fresno, CA
Christian Walker - Norristown, PA
Adam Warren - New Bern, NC
Luke Weaver - DeLand, FL
Patrick Weigel - Thousand Oaks, CA
Joey Wendle - Wilmington, DE
Rowan Wick - Vancouver, BC
Justin Williams - Houma, LA
Taylor Williams - Camas, WA
Bryse Wilson - Durham, NC
Justin Wilson - Clovis, CA
Kolten Wong - Hilo, HI
Hunter Wood - Rogers, AR
Steven Wright - Torrance, CA

Y

Mike Yastrzemski - Andover, MA

Z

Mike Zunino - Cape Coral, FL

Great futures start here. Did yours?

Cal Ripken, Jr., Jimmy Rollins, Michael Jordan, Tom Selleck, Bruce Springsteen, Spencer Levin, Torii Hunter, Mike Piazza, Rob Gronkowski ... What do all of these people, and millions more, have in common?

They are all graduates and friends of a Babe Ruth League program.

While many have achieved particular distinction in fields such as entertainment, sports or business, the average alumnus/friend may not be famous. Most have achieved success by getting an education, raising a family, serving their country, pursuing a career or supporting their community.



Millions of kids have benefitted from participation in Babe Ruth League, Inc. since the first league was established in 1951. Babe Ruth League, Inc. has truly become a place of hope and opportunity for all young people ... male and female.

This is about welcoming you with an understanding of our mission, while tapping into the great resources that you and the other alumni and friends can provide.

Our Mission

The purpose of the Alumni Association is to advance the general welfare of Babe Ruth League, Inc. and to support the needs and mission of Babe Ruth League, Inc. through engaging alumni, friends and partners of Babe Ruth League, Inc.

We aim to help youth prepare to meet the challenges of adolescence and adulthood, as well as encourage their drive for personal excellence and achievement. Through special programs, activities, campaigns, scholarships and much more, the Alumni and Friends can help Babe Ruth League achieve these most important goals.

Why Join the Alumni Association?

- Because of the countless life lessons learned in between those white lines.
- Because of the friendships brought together and carried on for the rest of your life.
- You remember the moments of selfless acts of sacrificing glory for the good of the team.
- You remember getting so caught up in the game you nearly forgot to breathe.
- You look back fondly on your time involved with the Babe Ruth League program, whether as a player, manager, coach, commissioner or volunteer.
- And you would be especially proud to carry on the tradition of Babe Ruth League to make sure the program is available for generations to come.



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Alumni & Friends ... Stay in the Game With the Babe Ruth League Alumni Association

The Babe Ruth League program began with a vision. Through group commitment, motivation and dedication, it has now become one of the leading youth baseball and softball programs in the world. The main goal will always remain the same ... TO PUT KIDS FIRST!

The Babe Ruth Alumni Association and Friends is a network of people who care and have a strong desire to succeed. Why? Because the youth of our country depend on us. That has been and will always be our driving force.



Contact the BRL Alumni Association at 1-800-880-3142 for further information!

We are asking all Babe Ruth League Alumni and Friends to Stay in the Game with the Babe Ruth League Alumni Association.



BABE RUTH LEAGUE Hall of Fame

Major League Baseball All-Century Team: 12 Former Babe Ruth League Athletes Honored

From the 100 All Century Honorees, to the final 30 man roster and to the eventual starters, what greater honor than to be associated with a youth program that is named for two of these players:

GEORGE HERMAN "BABE" RUTH | CAL RIPKEN, JR.

The following players were bestowed "All Century" honors and started their baseball careers in their local Babe Ruth programs:

**GEORGE BRETT | ROD CAREW | STEVE CARLTON | CARLTON FISK | RICKY HENDERSON
PAUL MOLITOR | JOE MORGAN | EDDIE MURRAY | JIM PALMER
CAL RIPKEN, JR. | NOLAN RYAN | CARL YASTRZEMSKI**

Babe Ruth League Hall of Fame

International Babe Ruth League, Inc. established a Hall of Fame in 1968 to honor those persons and organizations who have played a vital role in the development of the baseball and softball program for young people 4-18 years of age. Since its inception, the following persons and organizations have been afforded the esteemed honor of being selected for induction by the Babe Ruth International Board of Directors.

ORGANIZATIONS

1968 Hamilton Township
Babe Ruth League (NJ)

1969 City of Glendive (MT)

1970 Coca-Cola Company (GA)
Hillerich & Bradsby Company (KY)

1971 The Athletic Institute (FL)

1972 Aetna Life and Casualty Co. (CT)
J. deBeer & Son (NY)

1975 Office of the Commissioner of
Baseball (NY)

1976 Boston Red Sox (MA)
National Federation of State
High School
Athletic Association (MO)

1977 National Baseball Hall of Fame (NY)

1978 City of Douglas (AZ)
R.T. French Company (NY)
Johnson & Higgins (NY)

1979 American Baseball Cap Co. (PA)
The Sporting News (MO)

1980 Hanley Hose Fire Company (PA)
Wilson Sporting Goods Co. (IL)

1981 Mennen Company (NJ)

1983 Rawlings Sporting Goods Co. (MO)

1992 Hamilton VFW 3525 Booster Club (NJ)

1993 Ontario Elks Lodge #1690 (OR)

1995 Lion Brothers Company (MD)

1996 CMG Worldwide (IN)
US Airways (DC)

2011 K&K Insurance Group (IN)

2019 Jimmy Fund Dana-Farber
Cancer Institute

2021 Jamestown (NY)

INDIVIDUALS

1968 Marius Bonacci (NJ)
Dr. J. Goodner Gill (NJ)
Vada Pinson (CA)
Mrs. Babe Ruth (NY)
George Walker (NJ)

1969 George Barr (OK)
Ford Frick (NY)
Col. Dominic George (CA)

1970 Vern Hernlund (IL)
Mickey Lolich (MI)

1971 Stan Gray (CA)
Ed Hunt (CT)
Oscar Twillman (MO)

1972 Jack Gilliam (VA)
Carl Lundquist (NY)
Frank Stapleton (OR)

1973 Paul Carey (NY)
Jan Hartog (The Netherlands)
Samuel Welch (NJ)

1974 Mrs. F. Warren Green (NY)
J. Russell Lacy (NJ)
Lawrence P. Moser (MI)
Dr. William G. Williams (CT)

1975 Manuel Azevedo (CA)
Ray Bell (NJ)
Joseph Cookson (PA)
John (Sharkey) Laurenno (CT)
Del Schrader (CA)
George Wyse (WA)

1976 William Hollifield (NC)
Wilf Sadler (BC)

1977 L.O. Cutler (NC)
Russ Harper (AL)
Paul Sayevich (NY)

1978 Pete Romano (WV)

1979 Tom Dowd (MA)
Francis Fogle (OH)
Oscar Luzzi (NY)

1980 Alfred G. Stanton (NC)

1981 Ed Wiest (CA)

1982 William Crowley (MA)
Nicholas Salvage (NY)
Ralph Sellers (LA)

1983 J. Jervey Gantt (FL)
Bob Harmon (TX)

1984 Harry Lewin (WV)

1985 Douglas W. Bryden (WY)
Clifford S. Conner (NC)
Charles W. Cooper (IN)
Stan Filmer (CT)
Duane "Buck" Ward (WY)

1986 William H. Clifton (NC)
James H. Fitzgerald (MA)
Don Jones (MO)

1987 Dub Bowen (AL)
Al Caruso (NJ)
Sam Gulotta (IL)
Clarence Higgins (AR)
Jeanne B. Layton (NJ)
John W. Nida (WY)
Jerry D. Tresca, Sr. (CA)

1988 Tom Gorman (NJ)
Ted Kuehner (WY)
John Villar (KS)

1989 William A. Axtell (FL)
Frank Rinaudo (LA)
Howard Rohrbacher (FL)
Carmine Salvatore (CT)

1990 Joseph Coglianesi (IL)
Samuel "Dudley" Franco (OR)

1991 Vernon "Lefty" Gomez (CA)
1992 Roy Beach (OR)
John Cooper (NJ)
Jack Ryan (OR)

1993 James M. Battiste (AL)
Jack O'Keefe (CA)
Nick E. Welter (IA)

1994 Philip P. Bryan (WV)
Ted B. Church (BC)
Donald H. Diamond (LA)
Bill Frazier (NJ)
Ward Walker (OR)

1995 Donald A. Butler (KY)
Irby Luquette (LA)

1996 Herb Dietrich (NC)
William E. Whitehurst (NC)

1997 Russell E. Diethrick, Jr. (NY)
Donald L. Edwards (OH)
Guy Jackson (MO)
Fred "Wimpy" Quinn (OR)

1998 Warren Arbutnot (CO)
Edward Corrigan (RI)
Ted Denman (NJ)
Glenn Drake (MO)
Manuel A. Gouveia (NJ)
Charlie Kentfield (IA)
Marvin Lemmon (OR)

1999 Lawrence A. Magers (NY)

2000 Francis Bland (AR)
Jay R. Kump (NV)
Daniel J. Lynch (MA)

2001 John B. McLaughlin (MA)
John J. Oliver (NE)
Joseph E. Shea, Sr. (RI)

2002 Floyd A. Markham (OR)

2003 Harry S. Smith (NJ)

2004 Dick McGuire (ME)
Daniel Perella (CT)
Firmin Simms (LA)

2005 Ernest P. Papazoglou (MA)

2006 Ronald Tellefsen (NJ)

2007 Robert M. Curran (MA)
Allen L. Elliott (BC)
Terry Evans (IA)
Joseph Lamy (NH)
Ruth McCullen (NJ)

2008 Robert W. Brown, MD (TX)
Bill Smith (OK)

2009 E. Robert Attanasio (CT)
Eddie R. Bryan (AR)
Marion E. Elliott (CA)
Jim Lemp (WY)

2010 Frank Cembellin (CA)
Jim Hill (AR)
William Pullan (CT)
Norman Travis (CO)
James Walling (MT)

2011 Robert R. Dickson (IN)
Henry P. Sermons (NC)
Stanley P. Ziomek (MA)

2012 Raymond A. Lotierzo (NJ)
Bob Nelson (CO)
Gordon W. Welbourne (BC)

2013 Tom O'Connell (NJ)
Rosemary Schoellkopf (NJ)

2014 Fred Lajoie (NH)
Mark Matanes (MA)
Don Rose, Sr. (VA)

2015 Norman Messier (VT)

2016 Michael Janicki (MA)
Morris Libson, Jr. (TX)
John Lucas (FL)

2017 Lynn Purcell (TX)
Alan Swaim (AR)

2018 Julia Ruth Stevens (NV)

2019 Joseph Cormier (LA)
George Lally (MA)
Evelyn Skienziel (NJ)
Lou Valentic (GA)

2020 Joe Featherston (AR)
Stephen "Spike" Hupka (TN)
Donna Mahoney (NJ)

2021 Leonard Hammer (CA)
James Wagoner (AR)

2022 Jim Rivers (NH)
Matt Minderman (IN)

2023 Kirk Bouchie (VA)
Brian Pipes (British Columbia, Canada)
Rebecca Slough (VA)
Bonnie Winder (PA)
Jim Winder (PA)

The Babe Ruth League

Experience



About Babe Ruth Baseball and Cal Ripken Baseball (A Division of Babe Ruth League, Inc.)

CAL RIPKEN DIVISION (4-12)

In April of 1987, Cal Ripken, Sr., Cal Ripken, Jr. and Bill Ripken took the field together—not as father and sons, but as manager and players. This was the culmination of a lifelong journey that took the Ripken family from the youth leagues to the major leagues. From the very beginning, it was evident that Cal, Jr. and Bill would follow in their father's footsteps, always listening and learning while Cal, Sr. talked about the finer points of the game. Cal Ripken, Sr. was a father figure and mentor not only to his own sons, but to a multitude of players and coaches.

As a player, coach, and manager in the Baltimore Orioles organization for over 37 years, he will be forever recognized with developing and teaching the fundamentals of playing the game of baseball the right way—"The Ripken Way."

Cal Ripken, Sr. passed on his ideals and passion to his sons: "The Ripken Way." The approach combines developing and strengthening the fundamental skills of baseball and athletic conditioning with the equally important virtues of work ethic, practice and an understanding and love for the game. Cal Ripken, Jr. and Babe Ruth League have always shared a common vision: To provide every youngster the opportunity to play baseball and have fun. Teaching them to play the game "The Ripken Way" will assure accomplishment of this goal. In 2000, Babe Ruth League, Inc. and Cal Ripken, Jr. came together to introduce Cal Ripken Baseball, A Division of Babe Ruth League, Inc. for baseball players 4 through 12 years of age.

ROOKIE LEAGUE

Dr. Bobby Brown, former President of the American League, with the help of Babe Ruth Baseball, established "Rookie Leagues"

throughout the nation in hope of getting more youngsters playing baseball.

Rookie League is designed for players seven through nine years old. A pitching machine is used to speed the games along using softer baseballs to help reduce the fear factor. There is a fourth outfielder and a fifth infielder and all twelve players on the roster are placed in the batting order. The games are six innings in length and are played on a standard youth field on sixty foot base lengths. The pitching machine is placed forty-six feet from home plate.

The program became part of the Cal Ripken Division in 1987 and has enjoyed steady growth.

The program gets high praise from coaches, players, parents and league officials. Accolades of "fantastic," "it's great fun," "my kids enjoy it," "players learn quicker," "very few players quit" are heard around the ball fields of the Rookie League.

For further Rookie League information, contact Babe Ruth International Headquarters.

13-YEAR-OLD PREP LEAGUE

In an effort to encourage more participation in the game of baseball, the International Board of Babe Ruth League, Inc. approved at the beginning of the 1976 season the use of the Babe Ruth Baseball 13-Year-Old Prep League.

Under the Prep League rules, the team rosters must be comprised of all 13-year-old players and shall consist of no fewer than 12 players and no more than 15 players. In order for the Prep League to be accepted by Headquarters, the local parent program must be a chartered Babe Ruth Baseball 13-15 League.

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About Babe Ruth Baseball and Cal Ripken Baseball (A Division of Babe Ruth League, Inc.)

Studies have shown that many young players lose interest in the game of baseball because of not getting a chance to play in games once selected for an organized team. In addition, it has been found that players have expressed fear in competing with 14- and 15-year-old players who have already experienced one to two years playing on the standard 90-foot diamond.

With the Babe Ruth Baseball Prep League, the 13-year-old player now has that chance to play with his peers, thus avoiding the possibility of his losing interest in playing baseball. Babe Ruth Baseball also features a 13-Year-Old World Series.

13-15 DIVISION

Babe Ruth League, the group for 13-14-15 year old players, was founded in 1951.

Each local league chartered is an organization with authority to administer its own program within the framework of the Rules and Regulations and guidance of Babe Ruth League, Inc. officials.

Each state, province or territory in the 13-15 division is operated by an elected State Commissioner, and in most states, there are District Commissioners who assist the State Commissioner with his many duties. (Some states, with approval from Headquarters, also receive the assistance of Area Commissioners).

In turn, the states are grouped into eight regions with a Regional Commissioner to oversee the Regional operation. These Regional

Commissioners also serve as members of the International Board of Directors of Babe Ruth League, Inc.

Teams from each league are eligible to enter tournament competition and move along the tournament trail to the championship tournament—the World Series.

16-YEAR-OLD PREP LEAGUE

Babe Ruth Baseball, in its efforts to continue to provide an ongoing learning process for its players, enters the 26th year of a Prep Program for 16-year-olds.

Under the league rules, the team rosters must be comprised of all 16-year-old players and shall consist of no fewer than 12 players and no more than 18 players. In order for the Prep League to be franchised, the local parent program must be a chartered 16-18 Babe Ruth League. The sixteen-year-old prep leagues' primary objectives are to keep the players involved in organized baseball and continue to learn and improve their baseball skills.

Without a 16-year-old Prep Program, most sixteen-year-olds receive very little game experience and eventually lose interest in baseball.

The 16-year-old division should open opportunities for leagues to add teams to their existing programs and more players to compete in tournament play.



16-18 DIVISION

16-18 Babe Ruth Baseball was born in 1966 and has increased steadily since its inception. The 16-18 division is designed to provide organized regulation baseball competition for 16, 17, and 18-year-old players as a development plateau where they can continue to learn and practice those principles which will help carry them through to a satisfactory and productive adulthood.

The 16-18 division was organized because Babe Ruth League, Inc. was aware its job was far from completed by providing for 13, 14, and 15-year-old players. No organization was making available similar opportunities for young players once they had surpassed the 13-15 Babe Ruth Baseball age. The 16-18 division was designed to fill a void much the same as the Babe Ruth 13-15 division had filled a similar gap when it became a reality in 1951.

In the 16-18 division, which is played under regulation baseball rules, can be found the opportunity to practice the ideals of sportsmanship, fair play, high morality and democratic spirit which the participant has learned at the 13-15 Babe Ruth level. The main objective of the 16-18 division is to provide a community-level program which eventually gives the players an opportunity to participate in the 16-18 World Series.

The 16-18 division has rapidly gained much attention and respect from college baseball coaches and major league scouts as an outstanding feeder program for future collegiate and professional baseball players.

BAMBINO BUDDY-BALL

Babe Ruth League believes that every child should have the opportunity to participate in baseball or softball. The Bambino Buddy-Ball League helps to make that dream a reality for physically and/or mentally challenged ballplayers.

With the help of a special "buddy" to swing a bat, round the bases or catch the ball, ballplayers are able to experience the thrills of the game.

The Bambino Buddy-Ball League is designed to foster confidence and self-esteem, make memories and have fun. An emotionally rewarding experience for all, "buddies" achieve satisfaction from their involvement, while athletes benefit from the opportunity to participate in organized sports, physical fitness, and social events and outings.





About Babe Ruth Softball (A Division of Babe Ruth League, Inc.)



Babe Ruth League, Inc. is a non-profit, educational organization dedicated to serving all youth, both boys and girls. Since its inception in 1984, Babe Ruth Softball has shown tremendous growth. It has become a premier softball program throughout the United States and Canada.

Babe Ruth Softball is designed for girls ages 4-18. Age Divisions that are offered are 6U, 8U, 10U, 12U, 14U, 16U and 18U. Leagues are encouraged to organize optional 10U teams within the 12U division, and 14U teams within the 16U division, but are not required to do so.

The primary emphasis of Babe Ruth Softball is on the local league season: education, skill development, participation for players at all levels of athletic ability, and to ensure the participants have FUN.

Babe Ruth Softball's structural hierarchy evolves from the very heart of the program: the local league. Local leagues are organized into districts. Districts report to the State level. States are grouped into eight regions. Volunteer District, State, and Regional Softball Commissioners provide guidance and direction for the areas under their jurisdiction.

Leagues chartered with Babe Ruth Softball operate with simplicity, democracy, and much

autonomy within the framework of Babe Ruth League, Inc. rules and regulations. Leagues are formed within defined and registered geographical boundaries. Dual-participation may be allowed at the local league's discretion. Babe Ruth League, Inc. places no undue restrictions on the local league, a fact that sets it far apart from all other programs.

A highlight of Babe Ruth Softball is its annual tournament trail. Tournament teams from each local league are eligible to participate in District competition with winners advancing to the State and Regional levels. In 1999, Babe Ruth Softball debuted its first 12U World Series and 16U World Series. Eight regional champions from across the United States and Canada compete in each World Series.

In 2015, the World Series was expanded to the 8U, 10U and 14U age levels, and the 18U age level was added in 2016. Teams will either earn a berth to the series in these age groups by being a Regional Champion or they will be winners of a National Qualifier that is hosted by the state they reside in.

The World Series format begins with pool play competition, followed by either a single or double elimination bracket to determine the World Series Champion.

ASSISTANT REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS FOR SOFTBALL



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Curtis Moore, Henrico, VA



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David Hargrove, Denver, CO



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Most Outstanding Players

BABE RUTH SOFTBALL 8U WORLD SERIES

- 2015....Emma Brock - Manassas, VA
- 2016....Courtney Bass - Mt. Washington, VA
- 2017....Grace Fox - Manassas, VA
- 2018....Addison Bell - Oviedo, FL
- 2019....Campbell Downing, Oviedo, FL
- 2020....None due to COVID-19
- 2021....Audrey Craft - JPRD Eastbank, LA
- 2022....Chloe Harkins - Creeks Crushers, FL

BABE RUTH SOFTBALL 10U WORLD SERIES

- 2015....Emma Adams - Pitt County, NC
- 2016....Abigail White - Fern Creek, KY
- 2017....Rylee Carter - Jeffersontown, KY
- 2018....Mia Fisher - West Volusia, FL
- 2019....Karsyn Parker, Duplin County, NC
- 2020....None due to COVID-19
- 2021....Jordyn Oaks - Fern Creek, KY
- 2022....Bella Durr - JPRD, LA

BABE RUTH SOFTBALL 12U WORLD SERIES

- 1999....Amanda Zapata - Stamford, CT
- 2000....Lisa White - Wilmington, NC
- 2001....Stephanie Murad - Pitt Co., NC
- 2002....Suzanne Riggs - Pitt Co., NC
- 2003....Allison Brown - Pitt Co., NC
- 2004....Janelle Robinson - Mattoon, IL
- 2005....Samantha Griener - Sparta, NJ
- 2006....Sarah Christian - Pitt Co., NC
- 2007....Tyndall Brook - Pitt Co., NC

- 2008....Courtney Whittaker - Hamilton, NJ
- 2009....Madison Herring - Kinston, NC
- 2010....Lauren Riley - Santa Fe, FL
- 2011....Gillian Faberle - Oviedo, FL
- 2012....Abigail Rowlee - Pitt Co., NC
- 2013....Cameron Davis - Pitt Co., NC
- 2014....Kaia LoPreste - Bloomingdale, FL
- 2015....Lindsey Walter - Mt. Olive, NJ
- 2016....Taylor Hankins - Shenandoah, VA
- 2017....Olivia Black - Patterson, LA
- 2018....Laila Dugar - Patterson, LA
- 2019....Elianna Meola - Egg Harbor, NJ
- 2020....None due to COVID-19
- 2021....Kashvi Patel - Vineland Pigtail, NJ
- 2022....Saige Vichot - JPRD East, LA

BABE RUTH SOFTBALL 14U WORLD SERIES

- 2015....Kassi Cressonnie - Jefferson Parish, LA
- 2016....Ashayla Williams - Broken Bow, OK
- 2017....Nicole Ortega - Vineland, NJ
- 2018....Aubrynn Arcement - Jefferson Parish, LA
- 2019....Angelique Ballew - Madeira Beach, FL
- 2020....None due to COVID-19
- 2021....Alyssa Magazu - Millville, NJ
- 2022....Clair Ferbee - Jamesville, NC

BABE RUTH SOFTBALL 16U WORLD SERIES

- 1999....Amy Holliday - Millville, NJ
- 2000....Shelly Hopper - La Grange, TX
- 2001....Jenna Kubesch - La Grange, TX
- 2002....Jenna Kubesch - La Grange, TX

- 2003....AnnaMaria Jordan - Altamonte Sp., FL
- 2004....Emily Turba - Wisconsin Rapids, WI
- 2005....Marla Stevens - Altamonte Sp., FL
- 2006....Sam Brooks - New Orleans, LA
- 2007....Brienna Collings - Altamonte Sp., FL
- 2008....Jordan Garrett - Henderson, NC
- 2009....Carolina Wainwright - Pitt County, NC
- 2010....Jordan Garrett - Henderson/Vance, NC
- 2011....Caroline Smith - Wilson County, NC
- 2012....Morgan Medford - Wilson County, NC
- 2013....Samantha Waddell - Wilson County, NC
- 2014....Samantha Gosnell - Madison County, NC
- 2015....Larissa Spellman - Kinnelon, NJ
- 2016....Ashley Keegan - Pittsfield, MA
- 2017....Emily MacMullen - Treasure Coast, FL
- 2018....Katelyn Lubbert - Jefferson Parish, LA
- 2019....Sophie Stempel - Treasure Coast, FL
- 2020....None due to COVID-19
- 2021....Allyse Leija - South Texas, TX
- 2022....Jaden Clark - Chocowinity, NC

BABE RUTH SOFTBALL 18U WORLD SERIES

- 2017....Jaelyn Jackson - Denver, CO
- 2018....Marissa Adame - West Volusia, FL
- 2019....Olivia Brown - Jefferson Parish, LA
- 2020....None due to COVID-19
- 2021....Sophie Stempel - WVAC/DeBary, FL
- 2022....Allyse Leija - South Texas, TX





BABE RUTH LEAGUE World Series Individual Records

Most Runs Batted In—Game (7)

Jim Taylor, Charlotte, NC, 1977
Allen Wyatt, Nashville, TN, 1998

Most Runs Batted In—Series (15)

J.P. Roberge, San Gabriel, CA, 1991
Lance Howard, Mobile, AL, 2001

Most Innings Pitched—Game (15)

James Auringer, Syracuse, NY, 1971
Kerry Callahan, Cape Cod, MA, 1986
Lance Howard, Mobile, AL, 2001

Most Innings Pitched—Series (28.1)

Pat Rice, Colorado Springs, CO, 1982

Most Strikeouts—Game (18)

Anthony Wright, Columbus, IN, 1986
Randall Bengier, Vancouver, WA, 1995

Most Strikeouts—Series (43)

Eric Wilkins, Seattle, WA, 1975

Fewest Hits Allowed—Game (0)

Art DeFilippis, Stamford, CT, 1969
David Paiz, San Gabriel, CA, 1970
Joseph Hunter, Nashville, TN, 1970
Fritz Lund, Sacramento, CA, 1975
Tony Provenzo, Kirkland, WA, 1975
Jeff Connell, Sugar Creek, MO, 1975
Mike Moore, Sugar Creek, MO, 1972
Matt Young, N. San Gabriel, CA, 1977
Bob Schrock, Cincinnati, OH, 1977
Dave Hillier, N. San Gabriel, CA, 1979
Roger Miller, Sarasota, FL, 1984

BABE RUTH SOFTBALL 12U WORLD SERIES

No Hitter—Game (0)

Taylor McCourt, Sparta, NJ, 2005
Sarah Chamberlain, Mullica Twp., NJ, 2005
Lindsay Barr, Sparta, NJ, 2005

Most Hits—Game (5)

Rachel Davidson, Louisville, KY, 1999
Kasey Fowler, Louisville, KY, 1999

Most Hits—Series (17)

Whitney Atkins, Graceland, IN, 2010

Most Home Runs—Game (1)

Keshia Robinson, Manassas, VA, 1999
Katie Viator, Abbeville, LA, 1999
Lisa White, Wilmington, NC, 2000
Shelby Cargile, Concord, CA, 2004
Casey Cresbaugh, Sparta, NJ, 2005
Madison Williams, Fern Creek, KY, 2011

Most Home Runs—Series (3)

Keshia Robinson, Manassas, VA, 1999

Most Runs Batted In—Game (5)

Amanda Ferlisi, Hamilton, NJ, 2010

Most Runs Batted In—Series (13)

Amanda Ferlisi, Hamilton, NJ, 2010

Most Innings Pitched—Series (43)

Lindsey Walter, Mt. Olive, NJ, 2015

Most Strikeouts—Game (16)

Sydney Cicchetti, W. Kootenay, BC, 2004
Lauren Riley, Santa Fe, FL, 2010
Sarah Sonnier, Franklin, LA, 2011

Most Strikeouts—Series (55)

Lily Ritzel, Oviedo, FL, 2010
Sarah Sonnier, Franklin, LA, 2011

No Hitter—Game (0)

Taylor McCourt, Sparta, NJ, 2005
Sarah Chamberlain, Mullica Township, NJ, 2005
Lindsay Bar, Sparta, NJ, 2005

BABE RUTH SOFTBALL 16U WORLD SERIES

Most Hits—Game (4)

Rose Florence, Wisconsin Rapids, WI, 1999
Rachel Schmidt, Millville, NJ, 2000
Bethany Brogna, Lynn, MA, 2000
Michelle Knecht, Jefferson Parish, LA, 2001
Jill Kloesel, La Grange, TX, 2001
Justine Sandersfeld, Limon, CO, 2005
Dominique Smith, Altamonte Sprgs., FL, 2007
Brienna Collings, Altamonte Sprgs., FL, 2007
Kirstie Becnel, New Orleans, LA, 2007
Alannah Basile, Levittown, NY, 2011
Samar Sanchez, Levittown, NY, 2011
Carley Morfey, Lodi, CA, 2015

Most Hits—Series (19)

Carley Morfey, Lodi, CA, 2015

Most Home Runs—Game (2)

Bridgett Riley, Benton, MO, 1999
Amber Hernandez, Eagle Pass, TX, 2007

Most Home Runs—Series (2)

Bridgett Riley, Benton, MO, 1999
Amber Hernandez, Eagle Pass, TX, 2007
English Hyde, Hoquiam, WA, 2015

Most Runs Batted In—Game (5)

Marla Stevens, Altamonte Sprgs., FL, 2005
Carley Morfey, Lodi, CA, 2015

Most Runs Batted In—Series (16)

Carley Morfey, Lodi, CA, 2015

Most Innings Pitched—Game (16)

Rachel Mudry, Millville, NJ, 2000
Braenne McCrea, Othello, WA, 2000

Most Innings Pitched—Series (64.1)

Brandy Meeks, Pitt Co., NC, 2000

Most Strikeouts—Game (17)

Jenna Kubesch, La Grange, TX, 2002
Tori Shepard, Lodi, CA, 2007
Ashley Massoni, Levittown, NY, 2011

Most Strikeouts—Series (114)

Jordan Garrett, Henderson, NC, 2012

No Hitter—Game

Marissa Essner, Benton, MO, 1999
Molly Johnson, Wisconsin Rapids, WI, 1999
Rachael Mudry, Millville, NJ, 1999
Niki Asamura, W. Oahu, HI, 2001
Molly Johnson, Wisconsin Rapids, WI, 2001
Jenna Kubesch, La Grange, TX, 2002
Melanie Helterbran, Wash. Twp., NJ, 2002
Dana Essner, Benton, MO, 2002
Tori Shepard, Lodi, CA, 2006
Ashley Massoni, Levittown, NY, 2011

Most Consecutive Wins (7)

Manassas, VA, 2005



**Cal Ripken 8-Year-Old
Machine-Pitch Invitational**
Levy Park, Florida

**Cal Ripken 8-Year-Old
Player-Pitch Invitational**
Upper Allen, Pennsylvania

Cal Ripken 9-Year-Old Invitational
Bryant, Arkansas

Cal Ripken 11-Year-Old Invitational
West Raleigh, North Carolina

Cal Ripken 10-Year-Old
Marlton, New Jersey

Cal Ripken Major/60
Andy Valley, Maine

Cal Ripken Major/70
Jeffersontown, Kentucky

Babe Ruth Baseball 13-Year-Old
Kado, Hawaii

Babe Ruth Baseball 14-Year-Old
Tri-Valley, California

Babe Ruth Baseball 13-15 Year Old
Greenville, North Carolina

Babe Ruth Baseball 16-18 Year Old
Mobile, Alabama

Babe Ruth Softball 8U
Creeks Crushers, Florida

Babe Ruth Softball 10U
JPRD, Louisiana

Babe Ruth Softball 12U
JPRD Eastbank, Louisiana

Babe Ruth Softball 14U
Jamesville, North Carolina

Babe Ruth Softball 16U
Chocowinity, North Carolina

Babe Ruth Softball 18U
South Texas, Texas



2023 Cal Ripken 8-Year-Old Machine-Pitch Invitational World Series - Ocala, Florida



Ocala and Marion County, Florida, is the perfect place to relax and explore the best of Florida at your own pace. Here, rolling green pastures lead to crystal springs, gentle rivers and unspoiled lakes. Hundreds of horse farms gallop with thoroughbred natural charm and beauty.

Experience engaging family attractions, fascinating history, captivating museums and unique shopping. Get out and enjoy an endless array of hiking, biking, birding, kayaking and other outdoor activities.



Baseball enthusiasts will enjoy playing ball at the well-manicured 80 acre Rotary Sportsplex. Owned by the State of Florida and leased to Marion County, the Rotary Sportsplex began with a vision of community leaders to engage our youth with an active sports venue. The Sportsplex is home to three leagues including Cal Ripken, Babe Ruth and Big Sun Youth Soccer.

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Shopping abounds the quaint towns of Dunnellon and McIntosh, with shopping on the Square in downtown Ocala. The Paddock Mall and Market Street offer name brand stores and unique boutiques.

Welcome to Ocala and Marion County where you can escape, experience, and explore!



Ocala, Florida

Invitational World Series Dates:
July 28 - August 6, 2023

Stadium:
Rotary Complex, 5220 SE Maricamp Rd.,
Ocala, Florida



2023 Cal Ripken 8-Year-Old Player-Pitch Invitational World Series - Cherry Hill, New Jersey



Cherry Hill National Athletic League is proud to be the host of the 2023 Cal Ripken 8-Year-Old Player-Pitch Invitational World Series.

Cherry Hill National Athletic League, located in Cherry Hill, New Jersey, has been serving our community and youngsters for over 65 years.

Our playing field is one of the premier sites for youth baseball and softball in the entire state, and our community support is second to none. Cherry Hill National Athletic League's complex includes a state-of-the-art playing surface, fully stocked lunch and snack station as well as plenty of room to sit and cheer for the kids!

Cherry Hill, New Jersey is situated near the Delaware River and just minutes from Center City, Philadelphia. .

If you'd like to do some shopping, the Cherry Hill Mall features over 150 stores and restaurants to suite any taste. Want to take in a movie? The AMC Theater in Cherry Hill has 24 screens, showing the latest and greatest movies.

Take a short, 8-mile drive into Philly to experience all that the City of Brotherly Love has to offer!

Visit the Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, the National Constitution Center...or maybe run up

the steps of the Philadelphia Art Museum and snap a selfie next to the Rocky statue!

Want to stay with the baseball theme? Take a short trip over to beautiful Citizens Bank Park to watch the the Phillies as they take on the visiting Twins, August 11, 12 and 13.



Cherry Hill, New Jersey

World Series Dates:
August 11 - August 20, 2023

Stadium: Mead Park at Lafferty Field
601 Cooper Landing Road
Cherry Hill, New Jersey



2023 Cal Ripken 9-Year-Old & 11-Year-Old Invitational World Series' - Ocala, Florida

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Invitational World Series Dates:

July 28 - August 6, 2023

Stadium:

Rotary Complex, 5220 SE Maricamp Rd., Ocala, Florida

2023 Cal Ripken 10-Year-Old World Series - Crown Point, Indiana



The Crown Point Sportsplex's Championship Field features stadium seating for 750 people, with lighting and scoreboards. The Sportsplex is easily accessible from I-65 at exit 249 and has parking for more than 1,000 vehicles. Concession stands and restrooms are available throughout the property. The Sportsplex also features an on-site playground, walking path and batting cages.

Located in the northwest corner of the state, Crown Point, Indiana is about two hours away from the state capital of Indianapolis, one hour south of Chicago, Illinois and a 30-minute drive to the southern beaches of Lake Michigan and Indiana Dunes National Park.

In 1834, the Robinson family were the first settlers in the area that would later become known as Crown Point. Although it was not incorporated as a city until over 30 years later in 1868. Crown Point is known as the "Hub of Lake County." Today, about 34,000 residents call the city their home.

Visitors to Crown Point can enjoy the natural beauty the area has to offer as well as the local shopping, entertainment and dining venues.

For outdoor recreation, the Lake County Fairgrounds feature the only covered bridge in Lake County. The fairgrounds are open every day of the year for walking, jogging and fishing. They are also home to one of the largest County Fairs in the state of Indiana. This year's fair is August 4-13. The Lemon Lake County Park has over 400 acres of open space with six disc golf courses.

On a hot summer day, cool off on one of the water slides or pools at Deep River

Water Park or be brave and take a dip in the chilly waters at one of the beaches along Lake Michigan.

Grab a bite to eat at one of Crown Point's restaurants where cuisine ranges from pizza to tacos to pancakes and everything in between.

Indulge your sweet tooth at the nearby Albanese Confectionary Factory Store, where shoppers can find gummy candies and chocolate, including free samples! Nearby Southlake Mall has two stories of shops, restaurants and a movie theater to catch the latest blockbuster.

Speaking of movies, did you know that Crown Point was featured in the 2009 film Public Enemies starring Johnny Depp, Christian Bale and Lili Taylor? Universal Studios film crews traveled to Crown Point in 2008 to film scenes at the former county jail facility where criminal John Dillinger's famous escape from prison occurred in 1934.

Crown Point, Indiana

World Series Dates: August 4 - August 13, 2023

Stadium: Crown Point Sportsplex, 1313 E. North Street, Crown Point, Indiana





2023 Cal Ripken Major/70 World Series - Branson, Missouri

In 2023, the All-American city of Branson, Missouri will host the Cal Ripken Major/70 World Series. All games will be played at Ballparks of America, Branson.

Babe Ruth League, Inc., the Branson Convention & Visitors Bureau, the City of Branson, and Ballparks of America, Branson, are teaming up to put together a big-league experience for the best 12-year-old baseball players in the world.

Branson, Missouri, located in the Ozark Mountains, has long been a popular destination for vacationers.

There is an adventure awaiting everyone. In addition to the numerous theaters for which Branson is famous, other local attractions include award-winning golf courses, Hollywood Wax Museum, Silver Dollar City, White Water, Waltzing Waters, Wineries, Dolly Parton's Dixie Stampede, Ziplines, Cave Tours, National Tiger Sanctuary, Go-Karts, Mini-Golf, Horseback Rides, Butterfly Palace & Rainforest Adventure, and three pristine lakes. Ripley's Odditorium is housed in a building that has been made to look as if it is cracked wide open by an earthquake or other natural disaster, while the Titanic Museum Attraction is a half-scale replica of the world's most famous ship and iceberg.



Ballparks of America, Branson is the only facility to feature 2/3 scale replicas of five iconic stadiums spanning the history of baseball.

They are patterned after several classic ballparks, including Busch Stadium (St. Louis Cardinals), Wrigley Field (Chicago Cubs) Tiger Stadium (home of the Detroit Tigers from 1912 to 1999), Fenway Park (Boston Red Sox) and Ebbets Field (Home of the Brooklyn Dodgers from 1913-1957).

Each field features the latest technology in synthetic turf for a more consistent playing surface, and has covered dugouts, bullpen areas, MLB-style team suites, and stadium quality lights.

Our campus also features free parking, on-site photography services and plenty of outdoor picnic tables for your entire family or team.



World Series Dates: August 2 - 12, 2023

Stadium: Ballparks of America, Branson
1000 Pat Nash Drive, Branson, Missouri 65616
417-986-3395 • info@ballparksofamerica.com



2023 Babe Ruth Baseball 13-Year-Old World Series - Glen Allen, Virginia



The 2023 Babe Ruth 13-Year-Old World Series will be held in Glen Allen, Virginia in August 2023. The Glen Allen Youth Athletic Association will be hosting this prestigious event. Games will be played at Glen Allen Stadium at RF&P Park.

Glen Allen Youth Athletics has been a quality, long-standing host location for Babe Ruth as previous hosts of four World Series, five Southeast Regionals, five State Tournaments and dozens of District Tournaments.

Glen Allen Youth Athletics was established in 1965 and has been affiliated with Babe Ruth Baseball and Babe Ruth Softball organizations from the beginning, currently celebrating their 57th year anniversary. The league offers year-round programs in softball, baseball, and basketball. Nearly 3,000 youth participate annually in Glen Allen's programs.

RF&P Park, opened in 1995, is situated on 53.5 acres and features seven ball fields, six batting cages, a football field, tennis courts, three concession stands, and four restored historic railroad cars.

It is located in historic Henrico County which was established in 1634 as one of the original eight counties of Virginia. In 2011, Henrico County marked its 400th anniversary as the second permanent English settlement in the New World. Henrico's location on the eastern seaboard places local businesses within just a few hours' drive of Virginia Beach, the Blue Ridge Mountains, and Washington D.C.

Ruth 13-Year-Old World Series. They are confident their hard-working staff of volunteers and the amenities the region has to offer will help to make your visit to their community a truly memorable one!



World Series Dates:
August 10-19, 2023

Stadium:
RF&P Park, 3400 Mountain Road, Glen Allen, VA 23060

For more information on the 2023 Cal Ripken Major/70 World Series, the City of Branson or Ballparks of America, Branson, visit:

www.baberuthleague.org | www.explorebranson.com | www.ballparksofamerica.com

2023 Babe Ruth Baseball 14-Year-Old World Series - Stafford/Fredericksburg, Virginia



The 2023 Babe Ruth 14-Year-Old World Series will be hosted by Stafford, Virginia. Games will be played at Chichester Park and FredNats Stadium.

Chichester Park is Stafford County Park and Recreation's newest baseball sports complex featuring five baseball/softball fields. The complex is home to the Stafford Babe Ruth League, which serves nearly 1,000 youth from Stafford County, Fredericksburg, Spotsylvania, King George, Eastern Prince William and Fauquier County each season playing Cal Ripken Baseball, Babe Ruth Baseball and Babe Ruth Softball.

FredNats Stadium is a brand new, state-of-the-art stadium and is home to the Fredericksburg Nationals. The Fredericksburg Nationals are a minor league affiliate of the Washington Nationals in the Low-A East League.

Historic Stafford County is located about 40 miles south of the nation's capital, 10 miles from downtown Fredericksburg and 60 miles north of Richmond, Virginia. It's easily accessible from major national and international airports and also has its own regional airport, Stafford Regional Airport. Conveniently, Interstate 95 runs north to south through the county and passenger rail transportation is available via the Virginia Railway Express and Amtrak with multiple local stations.

Stafford County was formally established in 1664 and was the location of George Washington's boyhood home. During the Civil War, Stafford was a logistical and transportation center, and a staging ground. Chatham Manor, which is still standing today, was utilized as a Union headquarters and hospital.

The Marine Corps Base Quantico was established in 1917 in Stafford. Situated on 547 acres of Quantico is the FBI Academy. The FBI Academy is dedicated to being the world's premier law enforcement learning and research center.

The city of Fredericksburg sits on the Rappahannock River, the longest free-flowing river in the eastern United States. Riverfront Park was established in 2022 between Charlotte and Hanover Streets. The park features fantastic views of the river, and is conveniently located across the street from the city's parking garage.

Fredericksburg is known for its Civil War history and is home to four battlefields.

Downtown Fredericksburg features a 40-block National Historic District with more than 350 original buildings from the 18th and 19th century. There are over 100 shops, chef-owned restaurants and boutiques in the downtown area, including The Card Cellar and Mike's Sports Cards, both of which carry baseball cards and other sports collectibles.

The Stafford Babe Ruth League has served as host to many Babe Ruth District, State and Regional tournaments.

The town of Stafford is honored that Babe Ruth League has put their trust into their league and appreciative to the local leaders in both Stafford County and the City of Fredericksburg for their commitment and support. They are also excited about their continued partnership with the Fredericksburg Nationals and their commitment to the Stafford Babe Ruth League and youth sports.

Many individual volunteers and local businesses are taking part in this event to ensure a fun and memorable time for all.

Stafford/Fredericksburg, Virginia

World Series Dates: August 4 - 13, 2023

Stadiums:

Chichester Park, 125 Ralph Williams Drive, Fredericksburg, VA 22405
FredNats Stadium, 42 Jackie Robinson Way, Fredericksburg, VA 22401

2023 Babe Ruth Baseball 13-15 Year-Old World Series - Jamestown, New York

In August of 2023, Jamestown will host its 19th World Series in forty years as the Babe Ruth 13-15 Year-Old World Series returns. In 1980, the first ever 13-Year-Old World Series was held here, and Jamestown is proud to welcome another event back here this summer.

In 1999, Jamestown hosted the first ever 12U Softball World Series. The community also serves as the Babe Ruth World Series Training Center for cities who are interested in possibly hosting a future World Series.

All World Series games will be played at the 4,000 seat Russell E. Diethrick, Jr. Park—where baseball lovers watch the Jamestown Jammers, a member of the Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League, each season. Jamestown is proud of its parks system which consists of 20 parks covering 540 acres of land and an urban forestry of over 10,000 trees, including ball diamonds, picnic areas, tennis courts, playgrounds, soccer fields and a river walk area. Jamestown has been awarded the "Tree City USA" designation by the National Arbor Day Foundation for 38 consecutive years as well as being named Sterling Tree City Status for earning 10 growth awards.

Jamestown is located in the southwestern corner of New York State. It is 70 miles southwest of Buffalo, 40 miles northeast of Erie, PA, 140 miles north of Pittsburgh and is approximately half way between New York City and Chicago. It is at the base of picturesque Chautauqua Lake and serves as the regional hub for a diverse range of industrial and commercial businesses, along with a myriad of social and recreational opportunities. The city proper covers 10 square miles, and its highest point is approximately 1,620 feet above sea level. The city maintains a population of approximately 31,000, within an urban area of 85,000 residents. Jamestown also serves as the center of a region blessed with an abundance of outstanding recreational opportunities, including hunting, fishing, boating and camping, located within a few minutes of Allegheny State Park, Long Point State Park and Midway State Park.

Jamestown is fortunate to maintain a large variety of cultural facilities and activities for the enjoyment of residents and visitors alike. The world renowned Chautauqua Institution, founded in 1874, continues to offer a vast assortment of religious, educational, recreational and artistic activities throughout its nine-week summer season. Beautiful Victorian architecture lines the quaint streets and quiet setting of this unique community along the shores of Chautauqua Lake.



As the birthplace of actress Lucille Ball, the downtown area of Jamestown is home to the Lucille Ball Desi Arnaz Museum. Learn about the lives and careers of Lucy and Desi, and even see some of the original stages from the TV series, "I Love Lucy." Jamestown is also proud to be the home of the National Comedy Center which opened in 2018. The NCC is the first state-of-the-art museum dedicated to telling the vital story of comedy in America. Also to be found in the downtown area is the Reg Lenna Civic Center, a 1,250 seat, beautifully restored former vaudeville house offering a variety of musical, theatre, and community events. Similarly, the Lucille Ball Theater of Jamestown is the largest community membership theater in New York State. A short walk from the downtown area is the Northwest Area with twin ice rinks for public skating, ice bumper cars or backyard curling. A welcome escape on a hot summer afternoon.

For those looking to learn more about equality and justice, the Robert H. Jackson Center is located on the outskirts of Jamestown's Central Business District. A former U.S. Attorney General and Supreme Court Justice, Justice Jackson was the Chief U.S. Prosecutor of the surviving Nazi leaders at their trial in Nuremberg, Germany after WWII. The Center seeks to provide education and discussion of current law and justice issues as guided by his life and work.



Jamestown, New York

World Series Dates:
August 10 - 19, 2023

Stadium:
Russell E. Diethrick, Jr.
Stadium
485 Falconer Street,
Jamestown,
New York 14701



2023 Babe Ruth Baseball 16-18 Year Old World Series Cape Girardeau, Missouri



Each year, Cape Girardeau, the largest city between St. Louis, Missouri, and Memphis, Tennessee, entertains visitors from across the world. With more than 250 years of rich history and heritage, the story of Cape Girardeau is a tapestry woven with the river, life, hospitality, art and discovery. Perched on the western bank of the Mississippi River, Cape Girardeau is a town touched by the likes of Mark Twain, Lewis and Clark, and Ulysses S. Grant.

The history of Cape Girardeau flows through its people, and warm smiles and firm handshakes are quickly followed by fascinating stories of life past and present. When you arrive in Cape Girardeau, you'll be instantly captivated by the beauty and mystery of the Mississippi River. Like an old friend, the river invites you to sit down, relax and reminisce about the days of pioneers, trading posts and steamboat captains.

Here you can walk along a section of the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail, stroll across one of Missouri's four remaining covered bridges, shop for that one-of-a-kind vintage heirloom in a veritable treasure trove of antique stores, play at one of our family friendly attractions, enjoy a world class theater production, view murals that stretch the length of the entire historic downtown area, or step back in time at any number of historic attractions.

Historic Old Town Cape is the heart of the original community and current home to a charming array of restaurants, boutiques and historic landmarks. Standing guard between the downtown area and the mighty river is a pro-

TECTIVE flood-wall that features magnificent murals chronicling the history of Cape Girardeau and its unique relationship with Ole Man River.

As its ever-changing waters glide effortlessly toward distant shores, the Mississippi lavishly nourishes the landscape around Cape Girardeau. Breathtaking scenery and wildlife abound, and the overwhelming splendor of nature is on display.

Enjoy a stay at one of the area's charming bed-and-breakfast inns or numerous hotels. Replenish your spirit with a night of theater at the state-of-the-art River Campus. Refresh your senses with a round of golf or a trip to one of the region's celebrated wineries.

Need some retail therapy? Cape Girardeau has just what you need with dozens of antique and specialty shops that offer a nostalgic journey to earlier times. Then stay for dinner at one of Cape's acclaimed restaurants.

Cape Girardeau is more than just a destination – it's an experience. Cape offers the perfect blend of bygone charm and modern comfort. So come, see for yourself what all the talk is about. Inspiration, warmth and hospitality still exist in a place that is uniquely Cape Girardeau.

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Cape Girardeau, Missouri

World Series Dates:
August 11 - August 13 - 20, 2023

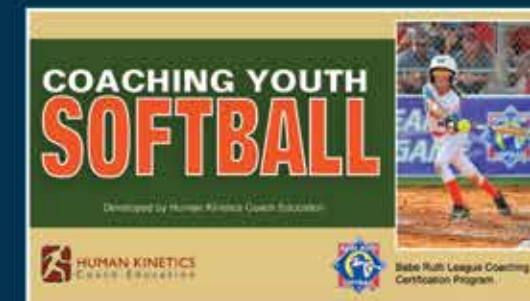
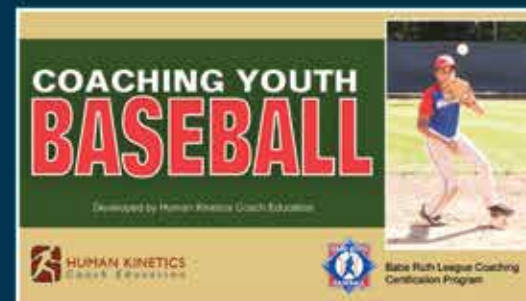
Stadium: Capaha Park

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Steven Tellefsen, President/CEO
Babe Ruth League Inc.



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2023 Softball World Series - Treasure Coast, Florida



From the Treasure Coast Mall, to downtown Jensen Beach/Stuart art galleries and boutiques, to the surf shops on Hutchinson Island, you'll be amazed at the variety of treasures that can only be found when you shop here in Jensen Beach/Stuart.

Attractions:

- Historic Downtown Jensen Beach/Stuart
- Children's Museum of the Treasure Coast
- Maritime & Classic Boat Museum
- Gilbert's Bar House of Refuge
- Court House Cultural Center
- Treasure Coast Mall
- Florida Oceanographic Coastal Center
- The Elliott Museum
- Environmental Studies Center
- US Sailing Center
- Energy Encounter
- Deep Sea Fishing
- Dive Sites
- Boat & Kayak Rentals
- Bike Rentals
- Scenic Cruises
- Flea Markets

Treasure Coast, Florida is proud to be the host of the 2023 Babe Ruth Softball World Series for all age divisions.

The pineapple is a recurring motif around Jensen Beach. The town's affinity for the spiny fruit can be traced back to 1879, when the first pineapple slips were planted by Capt. Thomas E. Richards at his Eden homestead. John Laurence Jensen immigrated from Denmark in 1881 and set up his pineapple plantation which eventually became the towns of Jensen and Stuart. A mere 14 years later, Jensen was shipping over 1 million boxes of pineapples each year during June and July earning the town, "Pineapple Capitol of the World."

Hard freezes, fires and financial problems contributed to the industry's final collapse in 1920, but the legacy of this tropical fruit lives on in the signage, store fronts and residences of Jensen Beach/Stuart. This unique history is celebrated annually during the Jensen Beach/Stuart Pineapple Festival.

Treasure Coast, Florida

World Series Dates

12U, 14U, 16U & 18U - July 17 - 26, 2023
8U & 10U - July 26 - August 4, 2023

Stadium

Pineapple Park, 3129 NW Hillman Drive,
Jensen Beach, Florida

Parks & Beaches:

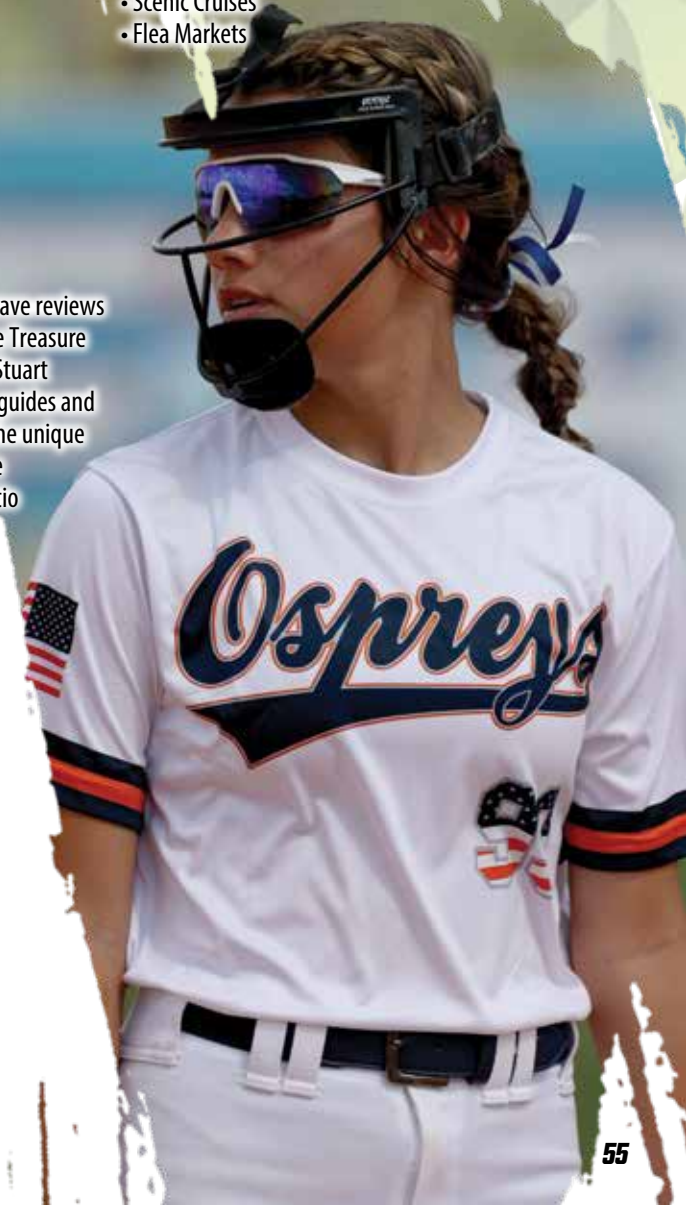
- Hutchinson Island Beaches
- Indian Riverside Park
- Savannas Preserves State Park
- Haney Creek Trail
- Langford Park
- Turtle Walks
- Indian River Drive
- Pineapple Park
- Jensen Beach Causeway Park

Best Places to Eat:

Jensen Beach/Stuart continues to earn rave reviews as the premier dining destination on the Treasure Coast. In fact, numerous Jensen Beach/Stuart eateries appear in dozens of restaurant guides and reviews as "best places to dine." From the unique decors of our five-star restaurants to the relaxed atmosphere on a waterfront patio or outdoor café, Jensen Beach/Stuart restaurants offer a one-of-a-kind memorable dining experience. Ranging from All-American style plates, authentic Cajun dishes, fresh seafood, pizza, and contemporary cuisine, there is something to satisfy every taste and budget.

Best Places to Shop:

Jensen Beach/Stuart also boasts as the region's leading retail shopping destination. Our shops, gift shops, and boutiques each have their own personality and routinely carry "just the thing" you are looking for.



Babe Ruth World Series Reservations: BabeRuthWorldSeries.org



BABE RUTH LEAGUE National Umpires Association



The Babe Ruth League National Umpires Association was formed to assist local baseball and softball leagues in improving the quality of umpiring. The umpiring crews for each district, state, provincial, territorial and regional tournament as well as each Babe Ruth World Series are selected from the Association. The initial 200 member organization founded in 1982 has grown to over 7,450 during the last decade.

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Rawlings - Official Tournament Ball

Rawlings is the "official tournament ball" for Cal Ripken Baseball, Babe Ruth Baseball, and Babe Ruth Softball district, state, regional and World Series competition.

Inquiry Kits Available

Inquiry Kits containing information on the formation of a Babe Ruth League are available free to any group or person.

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You may also email your request to info@baberuthleague.org.
Affiliation information may be found at www.baberuthleague.org.

The Sportsmanship Code of Babe Ruth League, Inc.



- Develop a strong, clean, healthy body, mind and soul.
- Develop a strong urge for sportsmanlike conduct.
- Develop understanding of and respect for the RULES.
- Develop courage in defeat, tolerance and modesty in victory.
- Develop control over emotions and speech.
- Develop spirit of cooperation and team play.
- Develop into real, true CITIZENS.

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Sponsorship AND Fundraising Summary of Programs

Babe Ruth League, Inc. continues to pursue outstanding opportunities for all our member organizations. Below is a list of the programs available for the 2023 season.

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Official Uniform for Cal Ripken & Babe Ruth Baseball & World Series

Boombah

Official Uniform of Babe Ruth Softball & World Series

Diamond Kinetics

Exclusive Motion Technology Partner of Babe Ruth League

Dick's Sporting Goods

Exclusive Sporting Goods Retailer for Babe Ruth League

Game Master

Official Portable Pitching Machine of Babe Ruth League

Hotel Planner

Official Hotel Reservation Agency of Babe Ruth League

Human Kinetics

Official Coaches Education and Certification Program of Babe Ruth League (ASEP)

Jugs

Official Batting Cage and Pitching Machine of Babe Ruth League

K&K Insurance Company

Provides Accident and Liability Insurance Coverage; Sponsors Awards for Team Champions of District, State, Regional and World Series Competition

Major League Baseball Clubs

Offer a Variety of Programs to the Babe Ruth Leagues in Their Local Communities

Musco Lighting

Official Lighting Company of Babe Ruth League

OC Sports

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Official and Licensed Provider of the Cap Emblem Program

Rawlings

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