NEWSLETTER

FROM THE COMMISSIONER

I, along with Co-Commissioner Dave Hutchins, am excited to welcome you to our new expanded way in which we will be communicating this upcoming softball season. Every few weeks throughout the off-season we will be sending you an updated newsletter with information about the league. Once the season begins, we will send this out every Sunday evening, outlining current standings, board meeting notes, potential rule changes, travel team updates, picnic and party information and much , much more.

A SPECIAL THANKS

I would like to personally thank all of the board members who have spent countless hours working to make this league so successful. Secretary-Carroll Grant, Public Relations-Tim Cromwell, Past Commissioner-Bob Lathrop and Social Chairperson-Jim Greeley, are all retiring from the board this year. A special thank you to Kevin Conklin, who will now become our Immediate Past Commissioner.

The Board of Directors for the 2018-2019 year are listed to the right. New Directors Mary Gracyalny, John Seyboth and Kevin Massey were voted in at the recent Annual Meeting. Their committee assignments were handed out at the Board of Directors meeting that followed, however, we still need someone in our Public Relations/Sponsorship role. Currently half of our revenue comes from league members and the other half from our valued sponsors, so this is a vital role in our success as a league. We would preferably like to have someone from the Hawks, Owls or Orioles as they are currently not represented on the board. Please email craigtanner1414@yahoo.com if interested.

Craig

Edirtor - Dave Hutchins

Fall Edition 2018

Each newsletter we will feature a different sponsor. This edition we "lead off" with our Platinum sponsor, **Artisinal Burger Company.**

2018 Holiday Party

Where: Maneeleys, South Windsor

When: Sunday, December 9th from 12-4pm

****Block out the date now, a registration form is being sent out shortly**

Softball practice at Star Hill Athletic (The Bubble),in Tolland, will be starting up again on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9-11am, beginning on November 1st. Simply bring your glove, bat and the desire to stay in softball shape during the off season. For questions regarding the practices, contact John Seyboth at (585) 752-0888. Questions regarding The Bubble or Silver Sneaker participation, contact Debbie Bolduc at (860)871-8800.

2019 DATES TO REMEMBER

- **January 1st - Registration opens**
- **March 3rd - Managers notified of players not having registered**
- **March 17th - Registrations close**
- **March 25th - Board meets to review rosters**
- **Week of 4/1 - Managers receive rosters, practice & game schedules**
- **Week of 4/22 - practices begin**
- **Week of 4/29 - games begin**

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2018-2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Craig Tanner - Commissioner

Dave Hutchins - Assistant Commissioner

Bill Hettinger - Internal Competition

John Seyboth - Social Committee Chair

Dick Nabel - Treasurer

Mary Gracyalny - Secretary

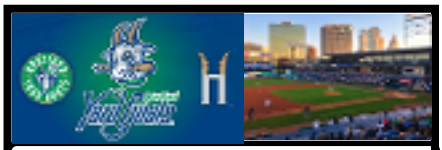
Kevin Massey - External Competition

Kevin Conklin - Immediate Past Commissioner

OPEN - Public

ATTENTION TEAM MANAGERS

Any team Manager planning on returning as a manager for the 2019 season, please email Craig right away at **craigtanner1414@yahoo.com** to



They're back!!!

Yes once again in 2019 VSS will be sponsoring a ball game with the Hartford Yard Goats. Many more details to follow but for now, block out April 28, 2019.

REGISTRATION REMINDER

As announced at the Annual Meeting, registration has moved up to January 1, 2019 and continues through March 17, 2019 allowing 10 full weeks to register. Any players forms received after March 17th will be placed in the pool for assignment to teams as needed.