



To All Southington Families

I hope this email finds you well and that you're enjoying your summer vacation and time with the family. School is officially out; spring ball is wrapping up and we at Southington Travel have a lot planned over the next few months that will keep our players active and engaged. Please take a moment to read through this entire email, there are a lot of "FREE and PAID" programs that we are offering over the upcoming months and want to make sure that everyone has an opportunity to participate.

First off and most important of all - Fall Ball - Sign-Ups open this weekend

- Ages 9-12 - will have "age appropriate" teams (9u, 10u, 11u and 12u). They will play in the East Shore AAU league. Cost will be \$275 dollars for 9&10-year old's and \$350 dollars for 11&12-year old's. There will be a \$65-dollar discount for returning players that will wear their spring 2018 uniforms. Age is based on spring 2019 dates.
- Ages 13 and up - will be transitioning to "grade specific" teams. For these age groups we will have a 7th, 8th and 9th grade team. These teams will play in the Greater New Haven League. Cost will be \$425 dollars with a \$65-dollar discount for returning players that will wear their spring 2018 uniform.
 - Practices will start for all teams in August; Opening day will be the first week of September and the season will run through October.

Nutmeg State Games (Ages 9-13) - cost will be \$50 dollars per player

We are looking for players that want to join us for a week long tournament this summer. We do need to know immediately if you child has any interest in playing. The deadline to join the tournament is July 6th. We would like to sponsor at least 3 teams this year, 1 in each division.

- 10u team & 12u team - will play LL rules, are guaranteed a minimum of 3 games with the tournament running July 30th - August 5th. *(Additional charges may apply for new players if uniform is needed)*
- 13u team will play 60/90 - are guaranteed a minimum of 3 games with the tournament running July 23rd - July 29th. *(Additional charges may apply for new players if uniform is needed)*



“Advanced Skills” Summer Camp - \$75 dollars per player

(Designed for players Ages 10, 11 and 12 based on Spring 2019 league ages)

This 4-week camp will run Saturday Mornings, July 28, August 4th, 11th & 18th from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM and will focus on developing our players **advanced skills** with position specific instructions. We will work with each player to increase awareness and develop their overall baseball knowledge. Everyone will be broken up into groups and each week they will go through numerous different drills and positions on and off the field. We have a lot planned this week, the training sessions will push them to perform and are designed with a no-nonsense approach to developing these skills... With that said we have a lot of fun activities built into the plan that will allow the kids to get the silly out.

- Offensive Skills - Swing Mechanics, Offensive Stations, Tee Work, Soft Toss, Live Batting Practice
- Defensive Skills - Proper Fielding and Throwing Mechanics, Footwork Drills, Fielding Drills, Specific Position Fundamentals, Pitching – (Lead-ups to Improve Control, Drills to become a Complete Pitcher), Catching – (Receiving, Blocking, Proper Footwork and Throwing Mechanics.)

Lembo Cross-Over Clinic – FREE - FREE - FREE - August 1st and 2nd from 9am-12pm

This was such a success last year with over 40 players attending this 2 day camp. Hurry and sign-up quickly, this year we are limiting it to only 50 slots.

- Coach Charlie Lembo (SHS Varsity Coach) will teach our players how the game changes from a 46/60 Little League field to a full size 60/90 field. The clinic is held on our own Southington High School Varsity field giving each of the players a great opportunity to work with an awesome coach on an outstanding field. A must take class for players age 12-14 graduating LL.

Lembos’ High School Workouts - \$150pp (6 Week Program) – Ages 13up

- Another great opportunity for anyone playing on the big field looking for a leg up and some advanced skills training. These workouts are run by Coach Charlie Lembo (SHS Varsity Coach) and hosted on the High School varsity field Monday nights (Sept 10, 17, 24 & Oct 1, 15, 22). These are designed to be high intensity workouts, run exactly like the varsity team practices today. If you have any interest in playing ball at the high school level this is a must take training camp.



Annual Open Board Meeting July 10, 2018 8-9pm @ Zingarellas

Stop in and meet your board members, volunteer for an event or fundraising opportunity, apply for an open position either on the board or one of our committees.

- Currently seeking the following positions
 - Treasurer
 - Safety Officer
 - Communications
 - Tournament Coordinator
 - Fundraising Opportunities (Committee Members)
 - Golf Tournament
 - End of Year banquet

Steak Dinner and Golf Tournament Fundraiser – \$100 dollars pp for early bird signups. \$125 dollars after August 1st. Hawks Landing - Friday September 7th

This will be a best ball scramble, with prizes, raffles and awards after play. More details to come. We are looking for helpers to coordinate this event, please reach out if you're interested and available to help. This is our largest fundraiser opportunity for the year.

END OF YEAR PARTY

We are looking for volunteers to help organize an end of year party, please reach out if your available and interested in helping to organize a large event like this.

Speed/Agility Training

Keep in mind this summer that speed and agility classes are available with Foresi Fitness on Spring St in Southington. My understanding is that the middle school and high school camps are full but there are still openings for grades 3-6. Register at - www.stayfitconnecticut.com

If you have any questions on any of the items please reach out to any of the Executive Board members.

Thank you;
Kevin Gravel