

North Cambridge Little Baseball League, Inc. Est. 1953

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ANNUAL LEAGUE & AWARDS CELEBRATION SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Players, Parents, Sponsors, & Invited Guests:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Coaches and Sponsors of the North Division, we welcome you to our Annual League and Awards Celebration. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of the North Division in 2024- our 72nd year.

We have many things to be proud of in 2024. Our Minor and Major League teams were fully subscribed, and we made a special effort to recruit new players to our program who traditionally have not considered baseball as a sports option. Our Major and Minor league teams played a 15-game regular season and play-off tournament, participated in the Mayor's Cup, and City All-Star Tournament, where we were champions at the Major League Level and finalists at the Minor League Level. At the Major League Level, we continued inter-league play with East and Central Divisions as part of the regular season schedule. We introduced a Player and Parent skills clinic and a Coaches Training Clinic, videos of which are on our web site. The Farm League program for 5–6-year-olds continues to grow in popularity, as well as our Junior League program for 7–8-year-olds. We also provided a winter clinic for new and returning players, an intra-league summer sandlot league baseball, participation in the Bay State Baseball League and a fall baseball program for new and returning players. Additionally, many of our graduating 12-year-olds will be participating in the Cambridge Babe Ruth program. Overall, our most important accomplishment is that scores of children participated in our spring, summer and fall programs - learning about baseball, teamwork, hard work, making new friends, and having fun.

In addition, the League would like to thank the Parks and Forestry Division, Department of Public Works; Recreation Division, Department of Human Services; Electrical Department; and School Facilities Department for their invaluable assistance prior to and during the season. We are grateful for their efforts and partnership.

We are always looking to improve our program each year. Therefore, please do not hesitate to make suggestions to us or to get more involved in the League. We will again be sending out our annual year-end survey. We need and want your feedback!

We also are looking for new sponsors to our program. Therefore, please pass along any potential sponsors to David Kale or John Holland for follow-up.

In closing, I want to thank you for your participation and support this past year and to remind you to visit our web site. You are our best advertisement, and we ask you to help us recruit as many new players as possible into our program for the 2025 season.

Below is a reminder of our fall sandlot and clinic schedule.

John Holland, President

REMINDERS

Juniors Fall Ball - Sandlot

Samp Field | Sundays | 2:30pm - 4pm | Starts Sept 22

For Junior Grads & Players who want to try out for Minors in Spring 2025

Coaches will guide players through "Situational" games, with plays / rules explained in-game

Registration: \$30 for 4 Sessions. Register here: https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/450540

Minors Fall Ball - Sandlot

Samp Field | Sundays | 4pm - 5:30pm | Starts Sept 22

Juniors graduates looking for a more fast-paced game may try the Minors Sandlot, with Returning Minors Players. Registration for the Minors Sandlot is not required. This program is free for North Players and drop-in.

Fall Ball for Majors/Minors

Cross-Cambridge Fall League, with East & Central | 2 weeknight games per week

- Join a crew of North Cambridge Majors in a fun, development-oriented Fall series!
- We will field one NCLBL Majors team and play against teams from East and Central.
- All NCLBL Majors are welcome to join this is not an All-Star team, and standings. will not be tracked.
- There will be 2 games weekly, scheduled 5:30pm-7:30pm, at Donnelly, Lindstrom, and Comeau Fields.
- Players do not have to come to every scheduled game, but ideally can commit to at least 50% of the games (or 1 per week).
- IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY SIGNED-UP, PLEASE SEE TUCKER LEWIS, REDS MAJOR COACH

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

A. OPENING REMARKS/Welcome

B. INTRODUCTIONS

- Sponsors
- Officers of the League
- Coaches

C. INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

- Doherty Minor League Sportsmanship Award
- Marchando Major League Sportsmanship Award
- Bryan C. Lounsbury Most Improved Player Award (Major League)
- Kenneth J. Rudgis Most Improved Player Award (Minor League)
- Coaches' Award (Major League)
- Home Run Derby Winners
- David Zelnio Outstanding Volunteer Award
- Charles D. Keefe, Sr. Outstanding Fan Award (Major League)
- James H. Neil Fan Outstanding Award (Minor League)

D. PLAYER AWARD PRESENTATIONS

- Minor League Regular Season Champions CUBS
- Minor League Play-off Champions ROCKIES
- Major League Regular Season Champions CUBS
- Major League Play-off Champions-BRAVES

E. RECOGNITION OF GRADUATING 12-YEAR-OLD PLAYERS

F. PRIZE RAFFLE FOR PLAYERS

G. DINNER

H. MOVIE

North Division History

•MARCHANDO SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD WINNERS (MAJOR LEAGUE)

1981-Steven Lafferty, 1982-Dennis Marshall, 1983-Leo Bergin, 1984-Maria Mantia, Leo Sommaripa & David Tabor, 1985-Dennis Toner, 1986-John Guzman & Garey Nieves, 1987-Kafui Asamoah, 1988-Leory Gibson,1989-Robert Vass, 1990-Frank Clarke, 1991-Chad Keefe, 1992-David Azevedo & Luc Schuster, 1993-John Tessier, 1994-Shawn Hogan,1995-Michael Neil, 1996-Miguel Colon, 1997-Jeff Keefe & Chris Neil, 1998-Jeremy Doo, 1999-Daniel Orme & Conor O'Sullivan-Pierce, 2000-Thomas Knych & Joseph Webster, 2001-Daniel Blum, 2002-Gabe Gralla, 2003-Reggie Duoyon, 2004-Michael Schwigen, 2005- Peter Crowley 2006- Arjun Agarwala, 2007-Matt Lounsbury, 2008-Frailyn Medrano, 2009-Carlos Aquino, 2010-Liam O'Connor, 2011-Liam Potter, 2012-Jonathan Herrera & Jacob Hunter, 2013-Shawndell Tondreau, 2014-Seamus Bell, 2015-Dylan Griffith & Ross McNeil, 2016-Lucas Richardson, 2017-Liam Hanratty, 2018-Darziel Santana Morales & Micah Moise, 2019-Desmond Silas, 2020-N/A, 2021-Daniel Lestrade & Declan Lewis, 2022-Ben Howell & Xavier Agnew, 2023-Jonah Gale

•DOHERTY SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD WINNERS (MINOR LEAGUE)

1981-Chris McDaniel, 1982-Jennifer Lowry & Karl Happe, 1983-Lori Leccacori, 1984-Ken Fagan & Andrew Ross, 1985-Mike Stone, 1986-Jeremy Mallioux, Jose Rivera & David Morgan, 1987-Allison Egan, 1988-Bart Lieb, 1989-Aran Nichols, 1990-Emma Bingay & Ben May, 1991-James Delancey & Adil Shroff, 1992-Nick Hildebidle & Felix Collazo, 1993-Michael Haddad & Julio Gonzalez, 1994-Stanley Rosenbert, 1995-David Madan & Amanda Goldberg, 1996-Meredith Kaiser, 1997-Alyssa Yearwood, 1998-Krista Kelley & Laura Capuccio, 1999-Aaron Ahlstrom, 2000-Jesse Attz, 2001-Shawn Costanza, 2002-Stephen Arsenault & Charles McNeil, 2003-Karley DesSables, 2004-Brian Perault, 2005-Wisford Exilhomme, 2006-Daniel Franc, 2007-Joshua Camara, 2008-Marcus Collins, 2009-Maria Penrice, 2010-Peter Fulweiler & Cody Scarfo, 2011-Jada Dunn, 2012-Joe Ellison; 2013-Aiden Davis & Lucas Richardson, 2014-Dan Hargrove & Laura Luna, 2015- Laura Pace, 2016-Boden Walker, 2017-Theano Joseph, 2018-Liam Holman, 2019-Olivia Lounsbury, 2020-N/A, 2021-Colin Picardo, 2022-Grayson Russo, 2023-IsaacStockman

•BRYAN C. LOUNSBURY MOST IMPROVED PLAYER AWARD (MAJOR LEAGUE)

1996-Joseph Fournier, 1997-Kwame Dance & John Parise, 1998-Mark Killoran, 1999-Mark Nazareno, 2000-Nicholas Wiggins, 2001-Scott Kelley, 2002-Dylan Griffin, 2003- Steve Morrissey, 2004-Patrick Hagen 2005-Dezmond Velez, 2006-Raheem Nelson, 2007-Lucas Mazzotti &Dan Maldonado, 2008-Will Bruce, 2009-Arjun Joyce, 2010-Chris Matsko, 2011-Issiah Louis-Jacques, 2012-Ian Chester; 2013-Ed Poirier, 2014-Caleb Harvey, 2015-A'marn Quarles &Thomas Gray, 2016-Harlan Altepeter, 2017-Roberto Ravicz, 2018-Derek DeJon &Matthew Pace, 2019- Emanuel Moore, 2020-N/A, 2021-Issei Umeki, 2022-Liam Anderson, 2023-Reuben-Freedman-Riles & Evan Dominguez

•KENNETH J. RUDGIS MOST IMPROVED PLAYER AWARD (MINOR LEAGUE)

2019- Aron Futsum, 2020-N/A, 2021-Charles Rafferty, 2022-Emmett Hite, 2023-Asher Bryant & Wyatt Hughes

•DAVID ZELNIO OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER AWARD

1982-Diana Costanza, 1983-Michael McKeown, 1984-Michael Bennett, 1985-Kenneth Goode, 1986-Jed Lowry, 1987-Chuck Mountain, 1988-David Kale, 1989-Joseph Picard, 1990-James Stockard, 1991-Florence Mountain, 1992-Charles Keefe, 1993-Michael Mountain, 1994-Michael Hogan, 1995-Lynda Janul, 1996-William Neukomm,1997-Harry John, 1998-Marsha Hunter, 1999-Kevin Burke, 2000-Joseph Carroll & Glenn Marshall, 2001-Carolyn Rodrigues, 2002-Catherine Sullivan & John Crowley, 2003-Donald Kaiser, 2004-Miguel Colon, 2005-Eva & John Capo, Robin & Bob Knych, 2006-Bob Blum, 2007-Karen Lounsbury and Ron & Anne Slager, 2008-Geri & Tom Dame, 2009-James Bresnahan & Ed Hallett, 2010-Joe Rudgis & Rick Schwigan, 2011-Angelo Pedro & Jonathan Blount, 2012-Peter McCann, 2013-Michael Spartachino, Sr., 2014-Hugh McManus & Ryan Whittaker, 2015-Kevin Yearwood, 2016-Rick Sheingold & Josh Bell, 2017-David Taylor & Nancy Grabowski, 2018-Kelli DeJon & John Holland, 2019-Becky Harmon, 2020-N/A, 2021-Jeffrey Hansell, 2022-Michelle Carroll, 2023-Laura and William McGaffigan

•CHARLES KEEFE, SR. OUTSTANDING FAN AWARD (MAJOR LEAGUE)

1997-Christy Keefe, 1998-Rita Trainor, 1999-Katherine Thorp, 2000-Terry West, 2001-Victoria McLauren & Marion Repucci, 2002-Peter Walsh, 2003-Gerry Alexander, 2004-Bill & Coral Hagen, 2005-Peter Owens, 2006-Jinling Xu, 2007-Ed Sweeney & Ellen Pridham and Peter & Cindy Joensou, 2008-Amie & Gabrielle Fernandes, 2009- June and Gregory Hites & Michael Spartichino, 2010-Robin Kynch & Josefina Tejada, 2011-Stephen & Kristyne Potter, 2012-Greg and Kathy Desrosiers; 2013-Jennifer Webb, 2014-Linda Bell, 2015-Tony Flammia, 2016-Deborah DuPont, Diane Gray & Stephen Keen, 2017-Susan and Dan Hargrove & Bonnie Mackool and Stephen Wiener, 2018-Barbara Santana Morales, 2019-Patricia Epps, 2020-N/A, 2021-Yasuaki Umeki, 2022-Robyn Spartachino, 2023-David Dominguez

•JAMES NEIL OUTSTANDING FAN AWARD (MINOR LEAGUE)

1997- Helen Sullivan, 1998-Phyllis Norton, Catherine Dynarski, Al & Mary Gerardin, 1999-Ed Hallett, 2000-Tara Killoran, 2001-Joseph Kutos, 2002-Robin Knych, 2003-Julia Owens & Isabel Petitpas, 2004-Catherine Park and Irene Hodges, 2005-Leigh Lyons, 2006-Kate Goodale & Karen Fortoul, 2007-Bill &Laura McGaffigan, 2008-Carol Murphy & Ann Jenkins, 2009-Teresa Walker and Pat Joyce, 2010-Debbie Burgess & Martha Fitzpatrick, 2011-Joanne Ellison, 2012-Kathleen Murphy; 2013-Cheryl Williams, 2014-Vivian Pace, 2015-Cayla Swope, 2016-Becky Harmon, 2017-Erin Cunningham, 2018-Sabrina Riley, 2019- Jessica Lounsbury, 2020-N/A, 2021-Leposava Gagoska, 2022-Marnie Gale, 2023-Amy Squeglia