



PENNSYLVANIA

BIG LEAGUE BASEBALL

2011 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

HOSTED BY

**SOUTHERN TIOGA
LITTLE LEAGUE**

AND

MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY

July 7th thru July 11th

Pennsylvania District 15 in conjunction with the Southern Tioga Little League and Mansfield University is hosting the Pennsylvania Big League Baseball State Championship. All games will be played at Shaute Field, which is located on the campus of the University. We have arranged thru the University for special pricing for housing and meals on campus and attached will be the appropriate information. This will be available to all team members and also the parents and family members of the teams involved.

We will be running a double elimination tournament to name a State Champion. The champion will represent Pennsylvania in the Regional Tournament to be held in Dover, Delaware with check in July 16th and play to start July 17th. We will play starting July 7th and play thru the 11th to insure that the champion has all pitchers available. The drawing for pairings will be held at 11am on the 7th in the Decker Gymnasium Conference Room at which time we will also have a brief managers meeting and each team must have a representative in attendance. All affidavits and necessary paperwork will be checked at that time.

The tournament committee reserves the right to adjust times as needed to keep the tournament moving. We will do everything in our power to complete the tournament in the time allowed. All decisions of the tournament committee will be final. We will follow and abide by all Little League rules and regulations with no exceptions. The tournament committee asks that you dress appropriately, that is no short shorts, no tank tops, just presentable clothing.

For those of you who have asked the question, Shaute Field is the home field for the Mansfield University baseball team. There is a picture of the field on the University website which can be viewed at www.mansfielduniversity.edu. Also on the site is a map of the campus.

Erin Hillson – Tournament Director

Harry Hillson – Southern Tioga Little League President – Phone: 570-404-2632

William H. Serfass, Jr – District 15 Administrator – Phone: 570-265-9889

- ❖ If you are planning on entering, please advise no later than July 2nd. Email your district number and manager's email address to serfass@epix.net
- ❖ Game times will be finalized on July 3rd when we have a final count of teams entered.

2011 BIG LEAGUE BASEBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

RULES AND PROCEDURES HIGHLIGHTS

1. The Tournament Rules and Regulations as published by Little League shall be binding and strictly enforced.
2. All umpires are assigned by District 15 Umpire-in Chief Chuck Stimson.
3. Each manager must submit their eligibility affidavit, medical releases and all tournament eligibility information to the Tournament Director for approval.
4. The team manager is responsible for his team and all equipment (equipment will be checked by the Umpire-in-Chief and crew prior to each game). Players must be in uniform with the Little League patch. Managers and coaches shall dress neatly (no denim shorts or tank tops).
5. Only managers, coaches and players listed on the official tournament eligibility affidavit are permitted in the dugout or on the playing field. If a manager or coach cannot attend a game, the Tournament Director reserves the right to approve a one game replacement where appropriate.
6. No jewelry will be allowed on the playing field regardless of material. This includes earrings, necklaces, rings, watches and string bracelets. **MEDICAL ALERT ITEMS ARE PERMITTED.**
7. **NO TOBACCO OF ANY KIND** is permitted during games.
8. All game balls are supplied by District 15.
9. Dugout assignments: The team at the top of the official bracket will occupy the first base dugout. The team on the bottom of the official bracket will occupy the third base dugout.
10. The home team will be determined by the toss of a coin. The team occupying the top of the official bracket will call the flip and have their choice of home or visitor.

Mansfield University has graciously agreed to permit us to use University Housing for the Tournament. The Residence Hall cost will be \$26 per person per night with double occupancy rooms. This housing is also made available to parents and family members of the teams involved. The manager is responsible for providing adequate supervision to insure that all University rules are followed for his/her team during their stay on campus. This package is made available, as motel housing is very limited due to the activity in the area caused by the Marcellus Shale gas drilling that has hit our area. Persons staying in the Residence Hall should bring bed linens or sleeping bags, pillows, towels and a fan, as the hall is not air-conditioned. An estimate of how many people in your group is needed as soon as possible prior to the tournament.

Meal costs for the use of the cafeteria are: Breakfast \$4.00, Lunch \$6.00 and Dinner \$7.00. The cafeteria is available to all who are using University Housing. We will also request, as early as possible, an estimate of those who will be using the cafeteria services.

All reservations and any additional information can be made by contacting Harry Hillson at 570-404-2632.

Lodging Information

Comfort Inn
300 Gateway Drive
Mansfield, PA 16933
Phone: (717) 662-3000
(800) 822-5470

Microtel Inn & Suites
90 Dorsett Heights
Mansfield, PA 16933
Phone: (570) 662-9300

Mansfield Inn
26 South Main Street
Mansfield, PA 16933
Phone: (570) 662-2136
(800) 918-8333

Crossroads Bed & Breakfast
131 South Main Street
Mansfield, PA 16933
Phone: (570) 662-7008
(800) 661-3581

Additional information on the area can be found on the Mansfield Chamber of Commerce website which is <http://www.mansfield.org>