

## Winter Newsletter

### OPENING DAY FESTIVITIES

**Opening day is March 15, 2008.** This season, we begin our fourth decade of girls softball! Please come out and help "kick off" the new season. There will be extended festivities held at the Pleasanton Sports Park (GSB 6 & 7). We will have a player skill demonstration by the varsity teams from Amador Valley and Foothill High School (all of these girls played for PGSL), Hall of Fame induction ceremonies, and raffles are planned. PGSL logo wear will also be available for purchase/order during the festivities. The annual Pancake Breakfast will start at 8:00am and conclude at 9:15am. Ceremonies will start at 9:30am. **This year, pictures will be taken on Opening Day as part of the festivities. In the event of rain, pictures will be taken at the Pleasanton Tennis Complex. Check the PGSL website for times.**

*Join us and help kick-off our fourth decade of play!*

### REGISTRATION

The 2008 season is quickly approaching. If you know someone who has not yet registered, please pass the word so they don't get placed on a waiting list. **Register on the PGSL website at [www.pleasantonsoftball.org](http://www.pleasantonsoftball.org) or contact Dalice Godwin at [ponyperf@comcast.net](mailto:ponyperf@comcast.net) or call her at 462-5608.**

### PLAYERS CLINICS

A key activity towards accomplishing our goal of teaching players quality skills is our individual player clinics focused at the players' level of experience (T-Ball through Senior divisions). **Please refer to the PGSL website for dates, times and locations of clinics for each division.**

### 2008 PGSL CALENDAR

The 2008 season is gearing up. Here are some important dates for coaches and players.

- **Coaches Meeting – Required for all Coaches**  
**February 2, 2008, 7:30am-11:00am**  
Valley Community Church  
7:30am -8:00am: Equipment Distribution  
8:00am-11:00am: Meeting
- **Fields Open for practice**  
March 1, 2008
- **Opening Day Festivities**  
March 15, 2008  
Pleasanton Sports Park

### COACHES CLINICS

Developing quality softball skills of the players is one main goal of PGSL. Coaches teach these skills. Experienced PGSL coaches and board members will conduct a series of clinics for coaches to help them improve their own skills at both the game and coaching the game. So coaches, come out, learn some skills and have some fun. **Please visit the PGSL website for details regarding dates, times and location of clinics.**

### JUNIOR UMPIRE TRAINING

PGSL is looking for boys and girls in 7th grade or older to become Junior Umpires. This is a great way to be part of our exciting games, have fun, earn money, and build confidence at the same time! **If you are interested, email your name, address, phone numbers (home & cell), age, grade and any previous experience to Carlos Castaneda, [carlosjr62@yahoo.com](mailto:carlosjr62@yahoo.com), or Mark Tanis, [mark@tanisinfo.com](mailto:mark@tanisinfo.com).** A training session will take place in early March. If you have questions contact Carlos Castaneda at 925-484-8446.

### 2007 WINTER BALL REVIEW

After two days of rain the sun came out and shined all day for another successful Winter Ball event! After two very close games won by the same team we called it a day. I want to thank O.C. Schott and Derek Schaffer for coaching the teams and special thanks to Brian Casey and Richard Vincent for coming out early Saturday morning and getting the fields ready for the girls. At the end of the day there were truly a lot of winners and it was truly a pleasure to watch them all play.

**"Thank You To All The Girls. You Were All Winners!"**



**SPONSOR A TEAM**

Interested in sponsoring a team, or work for an employer interested in sponsorship? **Contact Angie Okumura at 925-426-1296 or [angie.o@comcast.net](mailto:angie.o@comcast.net).** For \$250 sponsors have their names and/or logos printed on the team jerseys and receive a custom plaque with their team's picture. Sponsors are also widely recognized in local newspapers in the weekly game recap.

**SNACK BAR WORKERS NEEDED**

Want to have fun, help the league and earn some cash at the same time? PGSL will be holding a "Snack Bar Worker" sign up day so that we can meet and talk with you in person! If you interested and 13 or older, come join us at the Snack Shack **Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 10:00 a.m. - Noon!**

**ASA NEWS**

**For the 2008 season, ASA guidelines require** all divisions using a standard 11" and 12" hard ball to have face masks on their helmets. This is for safety reasons and girls without face masks will not be allowed to play. The helmet and face mask must be NOCSAE approved. Look for the stamp on the back of the helmet and the face mask.

**Let's Play Ball!**

## *Pleasanton Phantom Girls Softball League*



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