

GLBUA NEWSLETTER



Greater Lawrence Baseball Umpire's Association



Thank you everyone for another great season of baseball. GLBUA members worked in thousands of games this summer, at all levels, in cities and towns all across eastern MA and southern NH. With the membership up over 200, and with our ongoing commitment to developing our incoming umpires, I believe the reputation of the GLBUA is at an all-time high. We have a great mix of experienced veteran umpires and enthusiastic young umpires who all contribute in maintaining the high standards of the GLBUA.



I especially want to thank all of the members of our executive board, a great group of guys, with great ideas, all with a passion for the success of our umpires and our association. I also want to thank those that have volunteered their time this past year at our meetings and clinics, as well as those who mentored our new umpires. It's been a pleasure to work with all of you, and I look forward to another great year in 2012. Regards, Jack

Fall Newsletter

October 2011

MARCH 1, 2012 BUSINESS MEETING

The GLBUA pre-season business meeting and dinner will be held once again at the Claddagh Pub at 399 Essex St in Lawrence. Reps from Honigs will be there again, so this will be a good opportunity to get new uniforms or

equipment for the 2012 season. Sales will take place from 6:00—7:30 PM, then after the business meeting. Dinner will be at 7 PM, and the meeting will begin at 7:45 PM. This is NOT an election year. Please remember that attendance at our business

meeting is mandatory per our constitution. You can only be excused by writing to our secretary prior to the event. Nominations for Honorary Life Membership must be received by Dec 31, and amendments to the constitution must be submitted to the secretary prior to March 1st.

2012 Dues are:

\$50.00 if paid by November 30

\$60.00 if paid Dec 1 through Dec 31

\$70.00 if paid after December 31 (you CAN pay at the business meeting)

See our website for details on how to pay your dues: greaterlawrenceumpires.com/new. Make checks payable to Greater Lawrence BUA or use Paypal via the online link. Members who do not pay their dues by March 1st will be removed from the roster and will not be invited back the following year. Reinstatement will require re-application and approval of the GLBUA executive board.

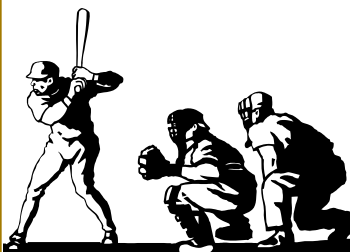
GLBUA EXECUTIVE BOARD

President—Jack Gilhooly
Vice President—Scott Young
Secretary—Dave Toto
Treasurer—Ken Gabriel
Interpreter—Fred Simm

At Large Members:
Chris Augeri
Phil Cultrera
Ted Houlihan
Mike Lynch

*Mission
Statement: The
GLBUA's mission
is to recruit, train,
improve, promote,
and unify
baseball umpires
across ranks by
maintaining a
high standard of
officiating.*

GLBUA website: greaterlawrenceumpires.com



All GLBUA members get
free access to the
GLBUA Arbiter website
at arbitersports.com

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

UMPIRE CANDIDATE CLASSES: Classes will start on Monday Jan 23rd and continue for 6 weeks. The MBUA test will be on Monday Feb 27th, Greater Lawrence Tech

March 1 — Business Meeting, 6-9 PM, Claddagh Pub, Lawrence

March 5, March 7 - Two man mechanics class for new umpires, 7 PM, Greater Lawrence Tech

March 12 — Indoor field clinic, 7 PM, Greater Lawrence Tech

March 22 — Rules clinic, 7 PM, Greater Lawrence Tech

April 19 — 2nd rules clinic, 7 PM, Greater Lawrence Tech

April 23 — Little League rules clinic, 7 PM, Greater Lawrence Tech



GLBUA WEBSITE UPDATE

Have you looked at the GLBUA website lately? Our webmaster Dave Toto, along with some great input from the e-board, has done a great job in providing the most current and accurate news and information for our membership. We added some new things in 2011, including the Recognition page, the Charitable Events page, and the History page, which was written by honorary life and e-board member Phil Cultrera. The Recognition page salutes our umpires who were selected to work the finals in local leagues and tournaments. Check it out. Our Charitable Events page lists worthwhile causes that the GLBUA supports, the most recent of which was the 2nd annual Steve Martinelli golf tournament on 10/3. The GLBUA is very proud to be involved in these activities. We encourage our members to participate, and thank those that have done so in the past. We had a great showing for Breast Cancer Awareness on opening day of the Methuen East LL (See photo above). We have had volunteers at the Miracle League in

Boxborough. We recently had volunteers at the 100 inning game for ALS.

Our Photo Gallery page has some new pictures of the indoor fall clinic we held recently at Lawrence High School. And there is always great information on the "What's New" page! Members - you should log in to the Member page sometime over the winter (login/password is still umpire/umpire123). We have updated the list of Assigners, and you can pay your dues using Paypal through this page.

Wondering what to do on the cold winter nights to come? Go to our member roster or the list of umpires on the GLBUA Arbiter site and start adding the phone numbers of our umpires to your cell phone. Next year, when you need to reach someone, you'll be ready!

To all - have a great off-season! Feel free to contact any e-board member if you have a question or concern. Send your dues payment in soon, and we'll see you in the spring!