

Beyond The Diamond

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF MENOMONEE FALLS JR PHOENIX BASEBALL

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TOP OF THE FIRST

Major League spring training is starting soon, but here in Wisconsin it is still cold and snowy. Luckily, we have our indoor facility to continue to have our teams train until the fields are playable.

We realize that indoor training can get repetitive and sometimes the kids lose a little bit of their desire to practice baseball during these long winter months. Please keep encouraging your players to attend winter practices, work hard and have a positive attitude. The repetitions now WILL pay off in the spring and summer! Keep going everyone!

HIGHLIGHTS AND HARDWARE

Please join us in congratulating coach **Gary Gawryleski**, the head coach of the 2022 season 12U Jr Phoenix Gray team, on being awarded a Wisconsin State Youth Baseball League Sportsmanship award!

These awards are voted on by fellow league coaches and were announced recently in the WSYBL introductory press conference by commissioner KJ Bigler. Congratulations Gary on receiving this recognition!

CALENDAR WATCH

Upcoming Jr Phoenix Baseball Events

April 13 and 19, 2023	Team and Individual Photos at FHOB
April 15, 2023	Annual MFJP Beer Tasting Fundraiser at Village Bowl
May 9, 2023	Youth Baseball Night at MFHS Varsity Baseball Game Game starts at 430pm at Trenary Field. All youth players invited to come on the field after the game to run bases, play catch with Varsity players.

BASEBALL FUNDRAISERS

CHARITY MANIA CARDS

Our 11Us are currently selling March Madness Charity Mania Cards as a fundraiser for their upcoming travel tournament experience. If anyone is interested they can Contact Chuck Moser at chuckmoser26@gmail.com if you'd like to purchase a card

MFHS BASEBALL PLAYING AT AM FAM FIELD

The Menomonee Falls HS Varsity baseball team has a chance to play a game at American Family Field on Wednesday, May 17th at 5:00pm. The game will be free and open to the public (free parking also), so you can come and cheer on the team!

In order to make that happen, your help is needed! The team needs you to buy vouchers for Brewers tickets through this link and using this code:

<http://www.brewers.com/amateurbaseball>

Coupon Code: 23ABMFALLS

You will be asked to make an account if you do not already have one.

There are two different price points/vouchers. (scroll down the page the green links will be on the right side)

\$31 + fees for Field Outfield Box or Club Outfield Box

\$21 + fees for Bleachers or Loge Outfield

Vouchers can be purchased NOW and redeemed any time after February 25th (this is the first day to buy single game Brewers tickets). Example: buy a voucher today and redeem it for tickets online in June for a game. The voucher will remain in your account until redeemed.

When the voucher is redeemed, tickets will be sent to your MLB Ballpark app. (The website says that purchased vouchers will show in your account closer to the redeem date).

There are blackout dates: 4/3, 4/8, 4/22, 5/13, 5/27, 6/10, 6/17, 7/6, 7/8, 7/22, 8/5, 8/26, 9/2, 9/16, 9/30

The team needs to sell \$12,000 in vouchers or group sale tickets by May in order to be able to play in this game. Please help the team out if you are planning on going to any Brewer games this year!

FALLS JR PHOENIX ANNUAL BEER TASTING- SATURDAY, APRIL 15TH, 2023

Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls

Many great beers (and other beverages) to sample. There will be raffle prizes and the opportunity to hang out with your Jr Phoenix Baseball friends.

Every player receives 2 Beer Tasting tickets as a part of their yearly registration fees (will be handed out at a later date)

ADDITIONAL tickets may be purchased for \$35 by contacting Mike Kohnert (mkohnert5817@gmail.com)

DON'T FORGET TO KEEP WORKING ON SECURING COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIPS (SEE LAST MONTH'S NEWSLETTER)

JR PHOENIX BASEBALL SPONSORSHIP LEVELS AND BENEFITS

SPONSORSHIP LEVEL	AMOUNT	BENEFITS
Grand Slam	\$1000	Logo on Jr Phoenix website with description of your business, Company name on age group T-shirt and Field Banner, Team Plaque recognizing your support
Triple	\$500	Logo on Jr Phoenix website, Company name on age group T-shirt and Field Banner, Team Plaque recognizing your support
Double	\$250	Company name on age group T-shirt and Field Banner, Team Plaque recognizing your support
Single	\$150	Name on Age group Field Banner

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Jr Phoenix Baseball teams for the 2023 season

- 8U Burgundy and Gray
- 9U Burgundy
- 10U Burgundy and Gray
- 11U Burgundy and Gray
- 12U Burgundy
- 13U Burgundy and Gray
- 14U Burgundy and Gray

FACILITIES AND FIELDS



New for 2023- we are having an outfield fence installed at the Thomas Jefferson Field. The fence will be at a distance of 225 feet, be a metal fence and really improve the quality of this field for our 11U and 12U teams!

Thomas Jefferson field is located at W165 N8301 Lavergne Avenue at the site of the old Thomas Jefferson school.

BASEBALL POTPOURRI

JR. PHOENIX/INDIANS ALUMNI TRIVIA:

On Sunday 2-19-2023 this alumnus reported to minor league spring training with the Colorado Rockies?

A. Ty Weber B. Nick Gile C. Luke Nowak D. Billy Howard

Last Month's Question and Answer: How many people have been elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame? 341 (269 players) with 2 more announced for 2023- Fred McGriff and Scott Rolen