

Fundraising Information

Fund raising is a key element in running a successful program. Equipment, uniforms, entry fees, rooms and meals are all expensive. Last year we sponsored a Cookie Dough Fundraiser, based on the total number of tubs sold, each girl was given a dollar amount per tub sold that was applied to her fees or uniforms. We had prizes for top sellers and the top selling team. The girl's raised over \$4000 to help offset these costs. We will look to repeat this type of event this year as well.

Sponsors can be any business or individual who wishes to donate to the organization, individual team or specific player. Besides getting a possible tax deduction the sponsors may be honored in one of the following manners: by having their name on a banner, displayed proudly on our website with a link to the sponsor site if desired, just to name a few. The Geneva Foxes are a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization.

Each year the Foxes play host to a fundraising tournament over the 4th of July weekend, the Fox Valley Firecracker, each team expects their parents to assist through out the tournament with field coordination and concessions. Field maintenance also is an area that requires attention throughout the day. This year will be a milestone for the Tournament as it will be our 15th Annual !

Parent Opportunities

Parent opportunities are unlimited and very essential in running a well organized team. Just as the managers and coaching staff volunteer endlessly their time and efforts for the girls, so can each and every parent. An important point to remember is to ask your daughter's Manager what they need. Helping where not wanted or needed, can cause confusion and complications instead of assistance. Each Manager determines the need for the respective team. Here are some examples of where you may offer assistance: help in running practice stations, team Mom's, drivers, field maintenance, concessions. Most importantly being a positive, supportive and enthusiastic fan. If you are interested in being on the Board of Directors or Coaching please contact our Board President. You can email him via our website – www.GenevaFoxes.org and click on the "info" and "Board Members" link to find out what positions are open and available.

History of the Organization

The Foxes are a travel fast-pitch softball organization and have been in existence for the last 15 years. We are a self funded non-profit organization and are not affiliated with any other Geneva organization but work in conjunction with the Geneva Park District and Geneva High School. We follow the guidelines of fast-pitch softball governing bodies such as ASA and USSSA. We currently have various competitive teams in the 10u, 12u, 13u, 14u, 15u and 16 age groups, which allow almost 100 girls to play competitive softball.

For additional information go to - <http://www.genevafoxes.org>.

Thank you from the Geneva Foxes

Geneva Foxes Fast Pitch Softball, Inc.

Welcome to the 2010 - 2011 Season Tryouts !

The Geneva Foxes Fast Pitch Softball program provides girls an opportunity to *learn and improve* their softball skills in a *competitive environment*. That environments purpose is to provide for an enjoyable experience and encourage each girl to advance to a level that would commensurate with her talent and desire by developing and running a program recognized as the *best* at each appropriate level of competition.

Tryout Information

Tryouts are held each year in the August time frame. The teams, coaches and players are selected at this time for the coming season. Each player is asked to attend at least one tryout regardless if they have played the previous season since no position is guaranteed year to year. During the tryout each player will be asked to demonstrate skills in hitting, fielding, running, pitching and catching. The coaches will review and rate each player on these skills as well as watch the interaction with the other players and coaches during the tryout.

Not all players that attend the tryouts will be offered a position on a team. During the selection process each Manager will select players meeting the needs of his team; each player is notified by either a phone call and/or letter (Managers' discretion). A mandatory parent meeting will be scheduled for September to complete forms, hear about the organization and pay any required fees.

Team Fees for 2010 Season

These fees are for the regular season and are used for tournament costs, umpires, administration fees, field preparation, equipment, and indoor practice space rental. It does not include lodging if the team is traveling and needs to stay overnight. Also, not included in these fees are any costs or fees associated with the Clinics or teams going to State or National competitions at the end of the season. Those additional costs will be discussed with the team during the fall and winter months of the season as there are numerous ways to offset these expenses.

The approximate fee schedule for 2011 is as follows: \$750 per player

The payment schedule is as follows: Upon a player accepting the position to join a team the established fee as reflected above is payable to the Geneva Foxes on or before the Fall arents Meeting in September. If no fees have been received by this time, the player's roster spot will be vacated and filled.

This fee schedule does not include uniforms, Foxes Apparell wear or personal equipment that the player chooses or is required to purchase. The Uniform sizing and purchase will be done at a later date once all teams are established. The time and exact date will be communicated through your Manager. The uniforms are priced at the actual cost, the Foxes do not profit from any of the purchases. Uniforms styles and choices are chosen with safety, style and functionality in mind.

Typically a complete uniform package which includes, shirt, shorts, sliding shorts, sliding pad, socks, visor, helmet with face guard and chin strap and bat bag is between \$150 - \$200. Fox Wear items, such as sweatshirts, T-shirts, shorts, jackets, etc. are optional.