



January, 2012

Dear Fastpitch Players and Parents,

Thank you for a wonderful 2011 season! We won two state championships last year and hosted several tournaments including our own fantastic "Forest Lake Fast and Furious" tournament. 2011 was a growth year for Forest Lake and 2012 will continue to see the program developed and expanded. This year, Forest Lake will be enjoying a new concessions building at Fenway Field. I would like to thank FLAAA and everyone who has made this possible.

We encourage all of our 7-12 grade fastpitch players to participate in our school softball program. Our schedules are designed so players can participate in both programs. Our coaches will work with our players to accommodate their school and softball schedules.

**NEW THIS YEAR – ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY at www.FLAFA.org
Tryouts will be held March 11 & March 18, 2012.
ALL REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE MARCH 1, 2012.**

Please see our website for all information regarding our program including, registration, tryouts, clinics, Board meetings, schedules, field assignments, etc...

You should also note the following:

- **Fundamentals Clinic:**
Any girls interested in playing fastpitch are encouraged to sign up for the Fundamentals Clinic to be held Sunday evenings, beginning February 12th, at the High School.
- **Mandatory Parent and Player Meeting:**
This year's parent and player meeting will be **Sunday, April 1, 2012** at Forest Lake Senior High School Cafeteria. **14U-18U** will meet from **4:00 – 5:00 pm** and **10U-12U** meet from **5:30 – 6:30 pm**. All players, parents and coaches are required to attend.
- **High School Fastpitch and Youth Night**
Please mark your calendar for **May 2** for Youth Night at the High School fields. The high school sophomore team will be playing at 5:00 pm and the Varsity team at 7:00 pm on the Varsity field. The 10U and 12U teams will also scrimmage that evening. Free food will be served by FLAFA.
- **Tournaments**
This year's Fast & Furious Tournament, for 10U, 12U & 14U teams, is June 1-3. This year we will be hosting our 1st Annual Fury II - Elite 16U & 18U Tournament, to be held June 29th – July 1st. The success of these tournaments relies on the help of many volunteers. Look for volunteer sign ups at the parent meeting.

The FLAFA Board meets the third Thursday of every month during the season at 7:00pm. Please check the website for the scheduled dates, times and locations of the meeting each month as the location is subject to change.

Thank you to all players, parents, Board members, coaches and the community for your continued contributions to this great program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bob Gemuenden'.

Bob Gemuenden
FLAFA President