



THE GYB DUGOUT

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GRAPEVINE YOUTH BASEBALL IS CHANGING ITS NAME!

Just in time to bring in the new year, GYB has made a resolution to offer even more to its members. As of January 1, 2010, GYB is officially changing its name to Grapevine Baseball and Softball Association (GBSA) and will be offering a softball program for girls playing Coach Pitch (7U) and above.

GBSA is looking forward to providing girls softball in 2010. To make sure that area girls have the best program, GBSA will strive to offer softball leagues that rival and exceed those offered by other cities. We want your help in spreading the word!

If you would like to volunteer or coach girls' softball, or for more information, please contact the Softball Director Lee Haggard at (817) 966-7548 or email him at CoachLee_1@netzero.net (there is an underscore between lee and 1).

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

As we wrap up 2009 and look forward to an even better 2010, we would like your feedback on youth baseball and softball. Please take our [survey](#) before the end of the year so that your voice can be heard.

<https://app.e2ma.net/app2/survey/33842/17332/4c99dde55b/>

SANTA'S HOME RUN BASH

Baseball in December? While many may shiver at the thought, more than 500 kids participated in Santa's Home Run Bash at Oak Grove Ballfield Complex on the wintery weekend of Dec. 5-6. Hosted by Grapevine Youth Baseball, the tournament raised more than 500 toys for the local Santa Cops program, which provides kids in need with toys for the holiday season. Santa's Home Run Bash is one of a few ways the organization gives back to the community.



The Santa Cops program is funded entirely by local donations. It is organized and implemented by Grapevine Police Officers, their families and community volunteers. The Santa Cops program delivers toys to economically disadvantaged children in the community. Last year the police department fulfilled the Christmas wishes of more than 880 children. To donate, please call the community relations division at the Grapevine Police Department.

GENTLY USED EQUIPMENT DONATIONS HELP KIDS IN NEED

To further help kids in need, we are launching a baseball and softball equipment program. In time for the Spring 2010 season, GBSA will coordinate the distribution of gently used youth baseball equipment to those who may not be able to afford to buy equipment. Contact register@gyb.org for more information.

REGISTER FOR SPRING SEASON NOW!

[Spring Registration](#) for baseball is now up on the web site! Softball will be added by January 1, 2010. Fees vary by divisions. Register before 2/13/10 to avoid the \$25 late fee (for all divisions excluding Colt/Varsity). To facilitate registration, please have the following information available: birth date of child, t-shirt/sock/hat size of child, and credit card information. Requests to play with specific coaches, players, and/or teams may be indicated in the Special Requests/Additional Information section. We will attempt to satisfy special requests however, they cannot be guaranteed. Visit www.gyb.org, for more information.