



YORK COUNTY LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

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TO: YCLA Board Members,

Please forward to all your YOUTH level coaches...

Attached you will find a save the date announcement for the 3rd Annual World's Longest Running Lacrosse Game. Both files contain the same information (one is a Power Point .ppt file and one is an Adobe .pdf file). Please forward this to your respective coaches within your organizations so that they are aware of the date. Per our conversation over the last few months at our Board meetings, the details are now coming together. Over the next 30 days, there will be more specific emails sent from me providing all the information necessary to enable your Clubs and teams to make the appropriate decision as to whether or not to participate. I will briefly discuss this during our coaches meeting on the 24th as well. I will ask for your Club's response during our next Board meeting on March 2nd.

This year, the event will be offered to all YOUTH teams from U-9 through U-15 only. With the increase in the total number of YOUTH teams in the YCLA, we look to sell out the event for the 17 hours of continuous play like we did last year.

For now, please note the following:

- * Registration fee per player will be \$20 (same as 2005 & 2007 event).
- * Minimum number of players per team will be 12.
- * The event will be held at The Blast (turf field), in Emigsville, PA.
- * The date of the event is Saturday March 15th, 2008.
- * The event will start at 7:14 am and run through Midnight (roughly 17 hours of play ==> 34 teams).
- * All registered players will play for one hour, be provided food and will receive a gift for participating.
- * All registered teams will play an opposing team of similar age.
- * This event is open to any YOUTH Boys team in York County including U-9, U-11, U-13, U-15.
- * There will also be time established for one hour of play for any York County Alumni players.
- * There will also be time established for one hour of play for any York County Head Coaches or Assistant Coaches.
- * In addition to the one hour game, there will be a skills competition on the sports court throughout the event.
- * Prizes will be awarded to the winners in each of the various skills events.

The event is being held for the following reasons:

- * Promote the game of lacrosse in a positive manner.
- * Bring all the York County coaches, players and teams together to kick off the 2008 spring season.
- * Honor the memory of Travis P. Sipe who was critically injured in a car accident in late March of 2001.
- * Generate income that can go towards "funding a wish" through Make-A-Wish Foundation ®.

With some of the negative press that lacrosse received over the last few years on a national level (the Duke lacrosse incident), this event will be promoted through the local media, newspapers, television, as well as US Lacrosse. And with the PIAA and the YAIAA now taking a more proactive interest in the sport of lacrosse as well as many of the York/Adams County High School Athletic Departments, what better way to promote the game of lacrosse than an event like this.



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Make-A-Wish Foundation® is an international non-profit organization that grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy. Through our Foundation (Penn-Air & Hydraulics), we will work with the local Regional Manager to insure that the proceeds generated go towards helping a local child/family. Last year, we were able to generate enough income to sponsor the WISH of Wes Anderson, a Dallastown senior whose WISH was to go to Disney World.

So for now, please save the date. More to follow in the coming weeks...stay tuned for details!

Bob Rhein
President
York County Lacrosse Association (YCLA)

ROOTS ==> Honor the Game