

# 2008 SHOREWOOD HILLS SUMMER YOUTH BASEBALL PROGRAM

The Village's summer baseball program is a coach-pitched recreational league for kids. It is designed to teach kids baseball FUN-damentals in the joyful context of our playful National Pastime. The league will consist of 2-4 teams each playing a seven-game schedule. Parents and families serve as coaches, pitchers, scorekeepers, equipment repairers, bat stackers, ball retrievers, and, most importantly, wildly enthusiastic and encouraging fans! We emphasize fun!

**Who is eligible:** Girls and boys who live in Shorewood Hills, University Houses or Eagle Heights, or who attend Shorewood Hills Elementary School. Children 8 years old or completing second grade in June of 2008, up to those who are not yet 13 years old by June 1, 2008.

**Fees:** \$25.00 per player. Includes shirt and hat. Special arrangements will be made in cases where fees constitute a hardship. No child will be permitted to participate until the Registration and Release Form is signed and the fee is received.

**Dates:** Sign-in and warm-ups will be conducted at the Heiden Haus field on Monday, June 16 at 6:30 pm. Report first to the Heiden Haus to obtain program materials. Bring your glove! We have several extra gloves, bats and batting helmets but feel free to bring your own gear!

Games will be played on Tuesday evenings on the Shorewood Hills School grounds at 6:30 pm beginning June 17 and extending through July 29. Also, we will try to schedule rainout make-up dates. There will be an end of season potluck before the last game on July 29. Please try to arrive a little early for games. The first 18 players will start a game. A second game will be organized if we have enough players to field two additional teams. If not, players will be added to the first game.

**Coaches:** Moms and dads, Shorewood Hills Baseball needs you. This has been a summer tradition since 1962. Here is your big chance to throw some fat pitches to help your child's team. We need at least three parents to coach and help with each team to assure adequate supervision, and to share the fun and work. Since you are already going to be at the games, why not sign on as a coach or helper? Your rewards for your time and efforts will be paid in smiles and the satisfaction of helping young players develop and have fun. If you have any questions, then please give the Commissioners a call!

**Umpires:** Dude! We need a few good umps! *League alumni or other teens by June 1, 2008* are invited to serve as league umpires. Wear a cool shirt and an awesome wire mask (both provided), and actually GET PAID to say mean things like "strike" and "yer out!" to your own little brother or sister. Registration / application materials for umpires are available at the Village Hall or on-line at the Village's website. (Eye exam not required!)

**Questions:** Call one of the Commissioners:

- Gary Freyberg (442-8654)
- Theresa Whitehead (233-1946)
- Margaret Whiting (236-4046)

## Let's Play Ball!!!