

Initial Softball Newsletter- "Juuust a Bit Outside" by Dan Gerome.

I picked that title from one of my favorite baseball movies, Major League, because it's about perspective. We all have different perspectives on just about everything we see and hear. I guess that's why it is so hard to be a witness to an incident. Different sight lines and opinions and preconditioned ideas come into play.

I will give you facts regarding C.P. Softball news and updates. I'll also let you know what I am thinking. We are an open book and I want all to have access to the business and operation of C.P. Softball.

As you may or may not know, all of our meeting minutes are posted on C.P. Softball and the bulletin boards at the fields. As members of C.P. Softball you are invited to attend our board meetings with some prior notice so we can make agenda adjustments. I will also be available to answer any and all questions or listen to suggestions you might have by text, email or in person –just not while I'm umping, playing, looking for my helmet or watching the Rifleman.

Here are some items the board will be considering: Holding a separate Men's meeting after the General meeting Jan.2 ,2026, registration deadline date adjustment, the screen, the veer off, new storage shed, safety issues, number of games one team plays in one day at playoff time,and more.

The Board has approved first year players only need to sign the waiver to play pre-season Fall Ball. Also, veterans returning after injury or time away may play Fall Ball with signed waiver to see if they are ready to return. Be sure your phone number and email are on file with the registrar, Mark Trencamp.

The Board wants to truly thank the many volunteers that make C.P. Softball run as smoothly as it does. There were 198 volunteers this season...that's 2/3 of our membership. Please keep it up! We need you!

I've heard that Citrus Park has a "Beer League in a Trailer Park", is "God's waiting room" and is also known as "Citrus Park Middle School". We all see it differently. Perspective. I would like all to see this wonderful place as where we chose to come to play in a recreational Softball League where all eligible players can complete in a balanced, friendly and safe game environment regardless of age, ability, or experience as stated in our constitution.

Finally, I've had more fun playing this season than anyone should have. There were great moments after running catches and three actual real hits to right field in one game and awful moments like a ball rolling under my glove at the worst possible time. But the most amazing day was the game where a first basemen from the opposing team took the time and effort to get my helmet to me each time I ended up at first. Thanks, Russ Mosher, the epitome of friendly competition. I love playing softball at Citrus Park. I really hope you do, too!