



# *Banshee's* <sup>♣</sup> *Fastpitch Softball*

## Quarterly Newsletter

### October 2011 Edition

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## Welcome to the Banshee's Fastpitch Softball Organization's 3rd Quarter, 2011 Newsletter.

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Inside this edition you will find details regarding:

-  Website update, Banshee's board update & uniform/apparel update
-  10U news
-  12U Red news
-  12U Black news
-  14U news
-  Fundraising news
-  2011 Spring season highlights
-  Coming soon...4Q2011 Newsletter

### Banshee's website update:

The Banshee's Fastpitch softball website address is: [www.bansheesfastpitch.com](http://www.bansheesfastpitch.com). Please take a minute to check it out as we have the best website of any local travel softball team! Also, please send us your team pictures and success stories (after advance approval of the head coach) as we will continue to update our website with the exciting things going on in our organization. Articles and pictures should be sent to Robert.Casagrand@dcma.mil.





### **Board Of Directors meeting update:**

The Board Of Directors held its 3rd quarter meeting on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> 2011. The board approved the fall field allocation, the barn/clubhouse schedule, winter indoor gym allocation, revised coaches roster and the standard uniform & apparel offerings for the fall order period (details below). The board is excited about the 2011/2012 season!

**Special thanks to Franco D'Andrea for allowing us access to the clubhouse!**

**Special thanks to the Hatboro-Horsham School District for allowing us access to their facilities!**

### **Uniform and Clothing update:**

The Banshee's Fastpitch Softball organization website ordering process for fall uniforms closed the end of August. Thanks to Don Len for providing a website with a standardized ordering process. The website allows for minimal coach and parent time in ordering as well as to improve the quality assurance process in the apparel delivery.

We will continue to have two major order periods (fall & winter) each year. Your team's uniform/apparel coordinator will be sure to provide details shortly regarding the fall order as it will likely begin in late October & close in early November. We are excited about the uniform selections & new apparel offering and believe you will be too!





## 10U team news:

We are off to an aggressive start! The team, coached by Bruce Bloome, Dan Hines, Wendy Iadonisi, & Dan Pietrzyoski, has been practicing hard, & playing as frequently as the rain will allow. The team has three returning players in Caitlyn Mitros, Katie Hines, & Joyce Bloome. Joining those girls are Jordan Pietrzyoski, Meghan Schanes, Gianna Iadonisi, Meghan McNesby, Amanda Greaney, Kaitlyn O'Connor, Jenna Robinson, Brooke Morrell, Rebecca Brennan, & Kristen Myers.

The girls are quickly developing into a strong, competitive team. On the weekend of October 1st & 2nd, we will play in our first tournament at the Fall Fest in Newtown. We will be hosting our own one-day, eight team tournament at Lukens Park on Oct 16th.

We will also be playing a round robin on Oct 9th, as well as a night game & pizza party on Oct 7<sup>th</sup> & on Oct 30th, we will be traveling to Springfield.

This winter, we will move inside, taking advantage of the Barn & KVMS. We have plans to play some indoor scrimmages, as well as the possibility of participating in a winter dome event. The team's goal is to play in the Nationals next July, either in Cary, NC or Kissimmee, Florida.

This team is young & hardworking, and, if they keep up the steady improvement, that goal may become a reality.





## 12U Red team news:

The Banshees Red started off the Fall in grand fashion by being a finalist in the USSSA 2011 Fallapalooza WSQ held in Quakertown on September 24th & 25th. Being a finalist secures the Banshees a berth to the USSSA World Series to be played in Orlando, FL next summer. Behind superb pitching the "young" Banshees ( with a majority of the players were playing in their first U12 tourney) held the 1st seed after pool play before finally dropping the championship game.

Team members pictured include (front row, from left) Carly Jensen, Hayley "Fred" Divita, Jessica Carey, Brittany Hubler, and Emily Gillard. In the 2nd row are Marisa Browne, Jenny Locke, Kaylee Richard, Jordan O'Connor, Cameron Dillon, Sierra Mosiniak, Casey Taylor and Coach Jen Carey. Back row are Coaches Brian Browne, Jeff Dillon & Head Coach Jim Taylor.

The Banshees Red plan on playing in one more TBD tournament in the Fall before heading inside. In addition to our normal workouts at KV & the Barn, the U12 Red do plan on offering its players some additional group training as they prepare for the Spring season.





## 12U Black team news:

We are excited for the upcoming season as our team consists of the following players: Julia Bradley, Maddi Bieber, Francesca Capozzi, Kylie Flagler, Brynn Griffith, Emily McNesby, Katie McNesby, Allie Meyers, Casey Meyers, Alyssa Myers, Miranda Royds, Gabby Salamone & Phylcia Wilkov.

The 12U coaching staff would like to welcome our newest member, Mike Flagler.....welcome Mike!

The fall schedule will include the following; 1 double header, 5 ASA Tri-County round robins, an ASA Tri-County tourney & a USSSA tourney. It is our hope to get between 20-25 games in.

As for our plans this winter, we will again look to pitch on Thurs & Fri, team practice on Sat & team batting on Sun. The team is looking forward to working with our new hitting coach, Larry Robitson beginning in December.

We are also in the planning stages of a winter tourney. Due to the closure of the facility in Muncey, PA we are looking into other alternatives such as the USSSA tourneys at the In the Net facility in Hershey, PA.

The coaches are truly excited about our team as we have a great group of players & families!





## 14U Team News:

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The Banshees 14U are excited for a challenging fall schedule. Our team consists of the following players: Andrea Baldus, Jaynie Black, Amanda Bradley, Jen Cader, Anna Gillespie, Aubrey Kaveski, Jackie Locke, Dominique Misnik, Jamie Mroz, Mallory Pollack, Madison Saltzman, Kaeli Simmons, Emily Wallace & Mara Witsen.

We started our fall schedule with a round robin in Harleysville. The fall schedule will continue with a mix of round robins and tournaments with the highlight being the Banshees ASA Fall Classic that we are hosting on Oct 1 & 2 at Lukens Park. A strong 12 field team will provide some great competition & allow us to evaluate the team. A tournament at Diamond Nation, a round robin in Warrington & tournaments in Quakertown and Medford round out our exciting fall schedule.

The 14U coaching staff is looking forward to the fall schedule we can identify the teams Strengths, weaknesses & establish a plan for winter workouts. Our winter workouts will start shortly after the fall season with Sat team practices at KV, Sunday hitting at the clubhouse & Thurs pitching & catching.

The Banshees 14U team is a great group of young ladies & the expectations are very high for success in the upcoming season.





## Fundraising news.....the annual Thanksgiving Pie Sale...

Our Annual Thanksgiving pie sale is underway...Again this year we are happily partnering with Michele's Bakery, from Northeast Philadelphia. This is an easy way to earn money toward your player's account and take a delicious pie to Grandma's.. Orders will be taken up till November 6, 2011... Pie Delivery will be Monday November 21, 2011, just in time for that family gathering.. See your coach, team mom, or contact Cindy Rauch at [rauchc@amtrak.com](mailto:rauchc@amtrak.com) or 215-896-0841 for more information.




**2011 THANKSGIVING PIE DRIVE**  
TO BENEFIT:  
BANSHEE'S FASTPITCH SOFTBALL ORGANIZATION

	10" COCONUT CUSTARD PIE .....	\$11.00
	10" APPLE CRUMB .....	\$11.00
	10" APPLE PIE .....	\$11.00
	10" LEMON MERINGUE PIE .....	\$11.00
	10" PUMPKIN PIE .....	\$11.00
	10" APPLE CRANBERRY PIE .....	\$11.00
	10" SWEET POTATO PIE .....	\$11.00
	10" NEW YORK CHEESE CAKE .....	\$12.00
	10" SOUTHERN PECAN .....	\$12.00




Orders will be taken until Sunday, November 6, 2011. Order will be picked up November 21, 2011, Monday evening. Delivery must be completed by Wednesday, November 23, 2011.

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ORDER FORM

PLAYER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL DUE = \_\_\_\_\_

QUANTITY ORDERED:

TYPE PIE	PER PIE PRICE	QUANTITY SOLD	TOTAL PER PIE TYPE
APPLE PIE	\$11.00		
APPLE CRANBERRY	\$11.00		
APPLE CRUMB	\$11.00		
COCONUT CUSTARD	\$11.00		
LEMON MERINGUE	\$11.00		
PUMPKIN	\$11.00		
SWEET POTATO	\$11.00		
NEW YORK CHEESE CAKE	\$12.00		
PECAN	\$12.00		

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## Fundraising news.....10U Phillies Sweatshirts...

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The 10U Banshee's team is conducting a Phillies sweatshirt fundraiser to raise funds for equipment, tournament fees, field use, travel expenses and, if we qualify – a national tournament in either North Carolina or Florida.

They come in either gray with a maroon logo or burgundy with a white logo. They are a 50/50 blend of cotton and polyester. The sweatshirts sizes are youth medium, youth large, adult small, adult medium, adult large, adult extra large. These sizes cost \$20 each. The sweatshirts also come in larger sizes XX large and XXX large. These sizes cost \$22. These sweat shirts are a great value and super way to support our Phillies as they attempt to win another World Series.

If you do have an interest please contact Elaine Hines at [dhineser@comcast.net](mailto:dhineser@comcast.net) or 215-997-9418.





**Banshee's 2010/2011 Season Highlights.....look at all that hardware!!!**










## Coming soon....Banshee's 4Q2011 Newsletter

We will be providing these newsletters on a quarterly basis as the goal is to keep our families informed as to what is happening across the teams in the Banshee's organization. We encourage you to send pictures, success stories & news about your team, families & activities to Dave Myers for use in future newsletters.

As for the next newsletter....a sneak peek into what's coming includes:

-  An update from the board with any highlights from the 4Q meeting
-  A fall uniform/apparel update
-  Team updates with a re-cap of the fall activities
-  Fundraising update
-  Details on a proposed organizational holiday party....more details to follow

We look forward to continued success & to getting your success stories....go **Banshee's!**

