



# California District 4

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## California D4 Finances

### February - March Balance

Beginning Balance	\$41,719.51
Storage (3 months)	852.00
Western Region Hospitality <small>(Continental, Walnut Creek)</small>	750.00
League Dues <small>(Continental, Walnut Creek)</small>	8108.00
Umpire Hats	125.00
Text Line Renewal	60.00
Ending Balance	49,540.51



*From the District  
Administrator*



## 2023 Lewis Cup Award

Martinez	1497
Pinole Hercules	1413
Alameda	1391
Concord American	1386
Walnut Creek	1346
Clayton Valley	1298
Richmond	1195
East County	1192
Lafayette	1060
NOLL/SOLL	1025
Albany	986
Pittsburg	860



**From Liz Berg, ADA Safety**

**Thank you and Congratulations!**

Thanks to all of the Presidents and your leagues for getting California District 4 to 100% compliance for the 2023 season. This marks the 23rd consecutive year that California District 4 has been at 100%! From the years of having to mail in the plans to the now more modern upload process the leagues of CA D4 have been a leader throughout the Western Region and all of Little League. Congratulations!



**From Jim Rose – Training Coordinator  
and Asst. UIC Softball**

District 4 ran six Rules Clinics for Small Diamond, Teenage Baseball, and Softball in February and March. Video copies of those clinics can be found on our umpire YouTube channel @C4UA.



**From ADA Challengers,  
Stephen Mohammed**

All the game schedules are done, except for the Jamboree schedule. I want to give a big thanks to Amber Crowley from Albany LL and Bob Akers from Walnut Creek LL. They're a big asset to our Challenger Division. I want to also thank Martinez Little League Board for their \$2000.00 donation to the Jamboree. We're still looking for more donations. The team from Reno Little League has confirmed that they are coming to the Jamboree. Please let me know if you'd like a Booth for **FUN!** Activity during the Jamboree. Thank you all, Stephen



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From ADA D4 UIC, Don Waddell

## Thank You for Hosting our Umpire Clinic

Thank you to Walnut Creek Little League for stepping up at the last minute to arrange an indoor dry and warm space for our umpire clinic on March 12. Also, thanks to WCLL for providing the lunch for students and staff at the clinic. And thanks to Martinez Little League for being prepared to host our rescheduled clinic but field conditions made outside not workable.

We had 40 students from 8 of our District 4 leagues in attendance at the clinic which is a fabulous turnout.

## Wrap Up for Umpire Training

We just completed the preseason umpire training program. The District 4 Staff Umpires helped deliver training at league run umpire clinics at Lafayette Little League (30 students), Clayton Valley Little League (25 students), Concord American Little League (28 students), Martinez Little League (15 students), and Albany Little League (25 students). Our Staff Umpires enjoyed working with your league volunteers teaching basic umpire skills. In addition, a series of four Little League Rules training clinics were held on consecutive Wednesday evenings, followed by one Teenage Baseball specific rules clinic and one Softball specific rules clinic. All of these clinics are available in recorded video format on our District 4 Umpire YouTube Channel.

## Umpires Needed for Challenger Jamboree

We need umpires to join in the fun at the Challenger Jamboree on April 23 at

Heather Farm Park in Walnut Creek. League Chief Umpires have been contacted to solicit umpires to work at the Jamboree, Please encourage participation for that great event.



From ADA Big Diamond Baseball, Grayson Lawrence

## Reminders for the upcoming 50/70 and Juniors season:

- The [D4 Baseball Page](#) has links to schedules, contacts, and interleague rules. Includes the recent Teenage Baseball Rules Clinic video.
- Managers confirm game and field location at least 2 days beforehand. Managers please contact other team ASAP if your team cannot make a scheduled game.
- Any game reschedules are conducted directly between the two teams involved. District will not coordinate, but please provide me the new date/time/location.
- The home team is responsible for providing two umpires for each game, one of which needs to be at least 18 years of age. Strongly encourage volunteer umpires. If you need help staffing umpires for your teenage baseball games, please contact the D4 UIC Don Waddell at: [llcad4uic@gmail.com](mailto:llcad4uic@gmail.com).

Hope everyone has a great start to the season!



ADA LL Baseball, Geoff Shiu

The 2023 CA4 LLB Interleague Season is upon us as we patiently wait for Mother Nature to cooperate.

Thank You to all leagues participating for reaching out to each other as field time became available.

Very important to inform Liz Berg with any schedule changes.

Please pass on these important interleague reminders to your Parents, Managers, Coaches, Umpires, and League Officials...

- **Good Communication Is Vital to Have A Successful Interleague Season!**
- Interleague team contact information is posted on the CA4 Website (<http://www.californiadistrict4littleleague.org/>).
- Review the official interleague schedule on the CA4 Website (<http://www.californiadistrict4littleleague.org/>) often to ensure all information are current.
- The traveling/away manager shall contact the host/home manager the night before their scheduled game to confirm they are expecting you, start time and field locations.
- If required the host leagues shall provide a printed copy of Ground Rules for the plate meeting.
- Host league shall provide at least 1 adult umpire on the field or an Adult Game Coordinator MUST be assigned to that one game.
- Start Time is the scheduled time unless for unforeseen delays... then the Start Time is the start of the umpires' plate meeting.
- Team Pitching Record forms are available on the CA4 Website (<http://www.californiadistrict4littleleague.org/>) to track pitching eligibility.
- No new inning after 2 hours from the Start Time.
- A game called on weather or darkness is the sole discretion of the game umpires.
- A game called on Run Rule is a regulation game.



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- A Tied Game after 2 hours of play shall not be rescheduled.
- A Rescheduled/Continuation game shall be reported to Liz Berg... ([RocketLiz@gmail.com](mailto:RocketLiz@gmail.com)) and the responsibility of the two managers to schedule.
- Cancelling a scheduled game... the team manager shall inform the opposing team manager and request message was received. The Host League shall inform the umpires.

**Win with Dignity... Lose with Class!**



From ADA Geoff Shiu



## Oakland A's Little League Days

Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1pm, Angels' vs A's

Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1pm, Reds vs A's

### Discounted Tickets:

MVP... \$45

Plaza Infield... \$30

Field Level... \$26

Plaza Outfield... \$18

Have players in full uniform and be sure to have Little League Patches properly attached to players' uniforms.

Only a few weeks away for the 1<sup>st</sup> Oakland A's Little League Day, so best to contact Ethan ASAP!

**Oakland A's** have consistently supported Local Little Leagues with:

1. Regular season team uniforms
2. Hosted Northern California Little League State Meetings
3. Annual Little League Days with the A's at the Coliseum.

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