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California D4 Finances

September - October Balance

Beginning Balance	\$55,218.83
WRBBT – Umpire Rooms	1,577.60
WRBBT Donation 2024 (ECLL,LLL)	2000.00
League Dues (MLL, NOLL/SOL, RLL)	14,219.00
D4 Zoom Renewal	319.80
D4 Office Supplies	175.87
Pre-Season Staff Meeting	54.24
DA Travel (Williamsport)	307.57
New D4 Signage	192.53
September D4 Dinner	403.91
Ending Balance	\$ 68,406.31



*From the District
Administrator*



2026 Lewis Cup Award

Richmond	754
North Oakland/South Oakland	651
Martinez	452
Concord American	365
Pittsburg	213
Alameda	200
Walnut Creek	200
East County	121
Albany	100
Lafayette	100
Pinole Hercules	100
Clayton Valley	0



**From ADA Little League Softball,
Phil Raines**

Softball Scheduling Meeting

Thursday, February 12th, 6:30pm -?

Location: 2380 Bisso Ln, Concord

Softball Rules Meeting

Monday, February 23rd, 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Location: 2380 Bisso Ln, Concord



**From ADA Big Diamond Baseball,
Grayson Lawrence**

50/70 and Juniors Scheduling Meeting

- Date: 2/19/26 (Thu) at 7:00pm
- Location: UC Extension,
[2380 Bisso Lane, Concord](https://www.concordca.gov/2380-Bisso-Lane-Concord)
- Attendees: Managers for each team,
or a rep who can schedule games
on behalf

Teenage Baseball Rules Clinic

- Date: 2/24/26 (Tue) at 7:00pm
- Location: Zoom meeting
- Attendees:
At least 1 manager/coach from
each teenage baseball team in the
District

A reminder that the meeting for **Little League divisions (A, AA, AAA, Little League)** is scheduled for **Thursday, February 19th, at 7 PM.** Please come prepared to ensure an efficient meeting.



From ADA D4 UIC, Jim Rose

Fall Ball for Blues

We are about to start our Fall Ball for Blues sessions, which are aimed at umpires and I encourage UICs to heavily advertise these with all your League umpires. They run on Zoom and will be held on Wednesdays, October 22 and November 12 from 7-8:30pm. Pre-registration is required and the link to the session registrations is found at: https://www.californiadistrict4littleleague.org/ca_d4_umpire_training. We discuss the latest news from Little League and the West Region in regards to umpires, have discussions with umpires who were invited to Little League post-season and special tournaments, and we show many video clips of plays from Regionals and World Series and discuss rules and umpire positioning and mechanics from those videos. It's a great way to talk about the post-season that just ended and begin thinking ahead to our umpiring for the 2025 season. For League UICs it is a great way to begin engaging with your League umpires.

2026 League Umpire Mechanics Clinics

We highly encourage Leagues to hold their own umpire mechanics clinics, which can emphasize that League's needs. District 4 can help your League UIC in that process. We can provide umpires from the Umpire Training Staff, help structure your clinic, and provide the training tools. We encourage Leagues to organize with other Leagues to hold clinics together to best utilize our resources. Please encourage your League UICs to reach out to me, Jim Rose, to start planning your umpire mechanics clinic. We already have Leagues requesting dates, so please try to secure one early. In addition, we will be holding a one-day District-wide mechanics clinic in February.

2026 Rules Clinics

We have decided on our 2026 rules clinics and the dates are:

Basic Rules Clinic #1 (Zoom): Wednesday, February 4, 7-8:30 on Zoom

Basic Rules Clinic #2 (Zoom): Wednesday, February 11, 7-8:30 on Zoom

Basic Rules Clinic #3 (Zoom): Wednesday, February 18, 7-8:30 on Zoom

Basic Rules Clinic #4 (Zoom): Wednesday, February 25, 7-8:30 on Zoom

Softball Rules Clinic (in-person): Monday, February 23, 6:30-8:30, 2380 Bisso Lane, Concord

Teenage Baseball Rules Clinic: Tuesday, February 24, Zoom

Fall Ball, Umpire Registry, Background Checks, and Abuse Awareness Training

Many Leagues are currently conducting Fall Ball and need umpires for those games. This is a perfect time to get new volunteers and newer umpires from last year to umpire those games, which are generally far less intense than regular season games. Get teams to provide a parent umpire and begin training them and hopefully gaining a new umpire.

Now is also the time to encourage all your umpires from last year to register for the Little League Umpire Registry. There they will find many resources, including the rule books, the Rules Instruction Manual, and training videos.

Register at: <https://www.littleleagueumpire.org/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2F>

Now is also the time to begin encouraging your umpires to conduct their Background Checks for the 2025 season. The process is now open and can be done by your League or on the Umpire Registry (at a \$5 cost).

And, with Little League's requirement that all volunteers are required to pass the Abuse Awareness Training each year after October 1st, work on assuring your umpires are up to date on this training. Direct them to the following Little League page: <https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/abuse-awareness-training-course/>