

SF Associates Baseball 2010 Registration Form

Please fill out and return the attached application forms if:

- You are currently an Associates member and intend to play Baseball during the 2010 season; or
- If you would like to add your name to the waiting list to possibly begin playing with the Associates for the 2010 season.

Membership fees planned for the 2010 baseball season are \$25 for returning players \$40 for new players at all levels. (The difference in the fees is primarily the cost of the baseball cap, which will be provided to all new players. Returning players who need a new cap will be charged \$15 for a replacement.)

Note that there is also a Golden Gate Optimist League fee of \$25, **which brings the total fee for the season to**

- \$50 for returning players, and
- \$65 for new players.

Please write one check payable to "SF Associates" for the total.

Current Associates members, submit the application and payment to your team manager or coach before February 1, 2010. The team manager is responsible for collecting and submitting team member applications and fees on or before the March 6th.

New applicants, mail your application and fee to:

Hal Jordy
Associates Baseball Commissioner
360 Surrey Street
San Francisco, CA 94131

We encourage new applicants to submit their applications early, preferably by January 1, 2010.

The Associates is a volunteer organization, and membership in the Associates requires full participation by families and players. Membership commitments, along with the Associates Goals, Code of Ethics, and Rules of Conduct, are described in the application. It is critical that all applicants understand and agree to fulfill these responsibilities. Chief among these responsibilities for participants in the baseball program are:

- Participation in all practices and games. If you cannot participate, you must inform your coach well in advance of any game. This is most critical at the A and Intermediate levels, where forfeiture of a game would affect the team standings.
- Participation in the season closing Baseball Jamboree, tentatively scheduled for the weekend of June 12th and 13th. Any player who is unable to participate must arrange for an exception with his/her coach at the beginning of the season.
- Participation in the annual Cherry Blossom Festival fund-raiser on the weekend of April 17-18, 2010
- Proper care and return of the team jersey.

If you have any questions, please contact baseball_commissioner@sfassociates.org.

Thank you!

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**GOLDEN GATE OPTIMIST CLUB
OF
SAN FRANCISCO**

**PLAYER AGREEMENT
(Please print or type)**

I, _____(Name) do hereby agree to play with the Golden Gate Optimist League __**San Francisco Associates**__ Team during the 2010 Baseball League.

I am _____ years of age. I was born on _____.
(month / day / year)

My height is _____ feet, _____ inches; weight _____ lbs.

It is distinctly understood by the undersigned applicant and her/his parent(s), or guardians that the Golden Gate Optimist Club of San Francisco, its officers, officials and members, team managers and officials shall not be liable for any injury or loss sustained by the applicant while playing, practicing, traveling or in participation in any activity sponsored by the Golden Gate Optimist Club. The signing of this application shall be considered as a waiver of any such claim, injury or loss.

PLAYER/APPLICANT SIGNATURE _____

SIGNATURE AND CONSENT OF PARENT _____
or guardian

DATE: _____, 2010

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Associates Philosophy and Goals

The Associates philosophy is to provide a healthy, nurturing organized sports environment for Nikkei and Asian youth, which enables participation in high quality, competitive athletics in a team sport atmosphere.

- The Associates strive to develop in our youth the basic values of:
- Sportsmanship
- Respect for individuals--teammates and competitors alike
- Discipline under the team concept
- Pride in one's self, team, organization, and community
- A sense of healthy competition
- Community service

We hope to see our youth grow not only as athletes, but also as individuals, who love the game, appreciate the opportunity to play, and uphold the Associates values and proud tradition.

Code of Ethics

It is the duty of all concerned with the Associates to emphasize the proper ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and fair play. Athletes, coaches, managers and parents are expected to respect the integrity and judgment of officials, to show courtesy to visiting teams, and to recognize that the purpose of the game is to promote the physical, mental, moral, social, and emotional well-being of the athletes.

The Associates members (including participants, their parents, coaches and managers) represent the Associates and are the Associates ambassadors at each event. As such, they are to adhere to the following rules and responsibilities.

Rules of Conduct

1. Members are to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner, emphasizing the proper ideals of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and fair play, both on and off the field of the event while they are representing the Associates. Members are to refrain from the use of profanity or "trash" talking while at an Associates function.
2. Members will show courtesy to the officials, coaches and managers and will not direct abusive or profane language to them or undermine their authority. Members are expected to respect and listen to their coaches, managers and parents supporting the Associates at all times.
3. Each player is expected to attend all practice sessions and games. If unable to attend, they are to contact their respective coach(es) ahead of time (24 hours). If this is not complied with, it is the discretion of the coach and/or manager to enforce predetermined penalties. Unjustified absences or missed practices may result in the player's inability to play in games. This could ultimately result in a forfeiture of a game that will affect the other players.
4. As a team, members are to monitor each other and are expected to keep in line fellow team members who are not representing the Associates in the proper manner.
5. Members are to keep a positive outlook about the Associates program. Any criticism will be directed to the team manager, the Division Commissioner or a member of the Associates Steering Committee.

Parent and Player Membership Commitments

- Annual membership fee
- Volunteer duties at the annual Cherry Blossom Festival fundraiser. This is a critical responsibility for Associates fundraising and support of our relationship with the community.
- Return of baseball jersey at the end of the season. Failure to return the jersey will result in a \$35 fine to replace the jersey.
- Team duties, including but not limited to scorekeeping, team snacks, end of season team celebration.
- Participate in team practices.
- Participate in League games in San Francisco and within the Bay Area.
- Participate in the season closing Jamboree
- Support the Associates Goals, and follow the Code of Ethics and Rules of Conduct.