**Key Dates**

**Week of June 10:**
Managers notify players who have been selected as All-Stars

**June 15:** Closing Ceremonies

**New Shed**

A new shed has been installed at the Spring Ave. fields. This shed will house equipment that will allow us to keep those two fields in top condition for games and practices.

**Contact us**

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**Sedgwick Stars Needed**

We could use volunteers for the concession stand for the final weeks of the season, so whether you’ve volunteered already or still need to put in your time to earn your deposit back, head over to the [LGLL website](https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/how-to-handle-an-umpires-questionable-call-as-a-manager-or-coach/) to sign up.

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**Tip of the Week**

It’s important for parents and coaches to help kids keep things in proper perspective, especially when there is a questionable call in a close game. Please remember that our umpires, like our players, are kids that are trying their best. Any questions about an umpire’s call should be left to the team manager, and those questions should always be handled in the most respectful way possible. [https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/how-to-handle-an-umpires-questionable-call-as-a-manager-or-coach/](https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/how-to-handle-an-umpires-questionable-call-as-a-manager-or-coach/)
B League Baseball

**Florida Fruit Juices 14, Anne Hodge-Voiant 11**
Matt Franko crushed a triple, Ryan Henrichs made great contact all day, Charlie Becker was a speed demon on the base paths, Brendan McCabe pitched out of a bases loaded jam, and Daniel Koziol closed out the game on the mound for FFJ.

**Kenny’s 9, Lucca’s 8**
Kenny’s walked off in the bottom of the sixth on a close play at the plate. Lucca’s received great pitching from Carter Garcia, who went 2 innings while allowing 0 runs with 4 strikeouts. Lucca’s had multiple hits from Carter Garcia (3-4, 2 RBI) and Caiden Kovel (2-4). Mateo Mosqueda hit a massive 2 RBI double that almost cleared the fence in left-center and Nathan Woods and George Panos each scored 2 runs for Lucca’s.

**Florida Fruit Juices 5, Petty & Dragstrem 5**
Sammy Pulia made great contact all game, Patrick Pedergnana saved a run with great hustle behind the plate, Luke Vongluekiat made one of the best catches of the year, and Daniel Koziol pitched 2 scoreless innings with 5 strikeouts to keep FFJ in the game.

**Kenny’s 15, Lucca’s 14**
In a back-and-forth contest, Kenny’s held onto a one-run lead in the sixth inning. Lucca’s was strong at the plate with multiple hits from Cole Harris (3-3, 2 RBI, 3 runs), Caiden Kovel (3-3, 3 RBI, 2 runs), Mateo Mosqueda (2-3, 3 RBI), and Nathan Woods (2-3, 2 RBI). Also, Caiden Cooper tallied a double and Andrew Collins made a big catch in the outfield for Lucca’s.

Majors Softball

**Store Systems 16, Dan Collins Law 15**
Store Systems came back for a 16-15 win in the bottom of the 5th when Ava Volkman stole home.

**Dan Collins Law 20, Store Systems 19**
Dan Collins Law had a 7-run rally in the last inning, capped off by a RBI double by Maddie McLane.

**HFH 20, Dan Collins Law 13**
Ava Bailey went 2 for 3 with 5 steals, and Claire Collins and Maddie Rowen hit doubles.

C League Baseball

**Nationwide 11, Sammy’s Deli 10**
Sammy’s scored 3 runs in the last inning, but Nationwide held on. Brennan Monohan led the way for Nationwide with 2 shutout innings, striking out all 6 batters faced. He also hit a monster double deep into the outfield. Cruz Villarreal (3-3), Andrew Keach (2-2) and Hunter Schumacher (2-2) also paced Nationwide. Sammy’s was jump-started by leadoff hitter Jackson Flickinger (2-2, 2 walks).

**Nationwide 6, Horizon Wealth 6**
Adrian Rakvin scratched out the tying run in the last inning for Horizon. For Nationwide, Luke Barnicle was 2 for 2 at the plate and scored a run, and Cruz Villarreal tossed two innings of shut-out ball, striking out 5.

**Sammy’s Deli 15, Edward Jones 11**
Edward Jones came back to tie it in the bottom of the fifth, but Tate Bonnevier worked his way out of a bases loaded jam for Sammy’s and the Deli pulled away in the sixth. Bennet Lutzow made a diving catch in center field to help preserve the victory. For Edward Jones, Danny Brooks, Will Potter and Colin Baise pitched well and Max Polonowski had a key run-scoring hit.

**Sammy’s Deli 12, Edward Jones 2**
Grayson Shepard and Tyson Sweigard each pitched two solid innings for Sammy’s. Max Polonowski, Jackson Brock and Henry Berube kept Edward Jones in the game on the mound.
Position: Pitcher/Catcher

Schools attended before college: St. Cletus, Lyons Township High School

# of years with LGLL: 7

Favorite memory/memories from your days with LGLL: Obviously, a great memory was winning state (the 2010 10 year-old baseball championship). The season before, we came up short by losing to Clear Ridge in Sectionals, but our team was something special. We had amazing talent from top to bottom. The state championship was something special, it was the day after my birthday (which we lost but still made it to the title game because of how many runs we scored through the tournament). Which was what our team was known for, we scored runs and did it with big hits. I was named the MVP of the state championship game due to my offensive performance. I hit a base clearing double in my first at-bat then hit two home runs in my following at bats to end with 7 RBIs. I think my favorite memory from those two home runs were rounding first and seeing my mom and dad on the first base line standing and cheering. That’s a memory that will be engraved in my mind forever.

What would you say were your proudest accomplishments as a player at any level?: I think one of my proudest accomplishments was being able to play abroad. By playing for the “Chicago Pioneers” (all female team), I was able to go to Nova Scotia, Canada my freshman year of high school to participate in an all-female baseball tournament. Then going into my junior year of high school I had the opportunity go to Incheon, South Korea with a program “Baseball For All” (all female team). This was for the LG cup, another all-women's tournament with teams from around the world. Being able to play at a level that has given me the opportunity to see the world, which is one of things I am most thankful for and proud of.

What are your hopes for this season and beyond with Lake Forest? We recently ended our season but we had a great run. We won conference for the second year in a row and made it to the regional tournament where we came in as the four seed. We beat the one seed and three seed to make it to the championship game where we came up short. We have a lot of talent at Lake Forest and I know we’ll have another successful season next year.
What is it like playing college softball? How does it compare to high school?: College softball is something special. I loved my high school and its softball program but college sports are so different. LT is very competitive and we worked hard but working hard at the college level means something else. Your off season is almost harder and busier than when you’re in season. Though scheduling is hard in-season because I do go to school in the Midwest, which doesn’t always work out great for an outdoor spring sport. You have to be organized to be a student-athlete. You miss classes often in-season because of games and traveling, but especially at the D3 level you are a student first.

What types of things do you do to get ready for the season?: In the fall, we have team conditioning from 6:30-7:30 in the morning on Tuesdays and Thursdays along with three lifts a week after classes. Something that I never thought I would do is play handball. I never knew what the three wall courts were in LaGrange, but Lake Forest has had one of the most successful handball programs for the past 50 years and I started playing during my sophomore year (after shoulder surgery), and I think this has helped me tremendously. Along with keeping me in shape, handball has improved my footwork and hand eye coordination. Handball is something great to keep me in shape for the summer, but to be a college athlete you have to do more than just that during your off-season. We lift in the fall, but the summer is my time to really get strong and I go to a trainer three or four days a week, and on the off days I try to run and stretch which is super important.

Did LGLL help prepare you? I think LGLL helped prepare me greatly, it showed me who I would be playing with or against and allowed me to get to know players and have that connection before we got to high school. Chemistry is a great part of success and playing with the same kids for years was a great thing to have...I would 100% recommend LGLL to a young player and not just because of the success that this league has had. The kids that I played with are still my friends today. LGLL is a community and whenever I see guys I played with we never hesitate to catch up and say hello. LGLL will be with you for a lifetime.

Did you play any other sports growing up? Baseball (grade school and high school), softball (high school & college), volleyball (grade school), basketball (grade school and high school), and handball (college).

Anything else you would like to mention? One thing that my parents have always told me and that I hold close is, “If you want something, it’s up to you to go and get it. You’ll always have obstacles whether that’s a coach or a difficult team but don’t give up on what you want.” I always had supportive coaches and teammates through LGLL but not every team or coach you play for especially outside of little league will have the same faith in you that you do. So don’t let those people direct where you end up, create your own path and opportunities. Something I always think about is something Derek Jeter was told when he got drafted by the Yankees, “Always run to where you’re going because you never knew who’s watching. So always hustle, work hard and bust your butt to where you need to be because it will be noticed.” Those are words to live by.
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