

Decatur Commodores
3rd Annual
Commodore Wooden Bat Invitational
18U Tournament



Decatur, Illinois

June 13-17, 2012

Sponsored by Arthur J. Gallagher & Company and the Decatur Park District

Decatur Commodores - Sunnyside Invitational June 13– 17 ♦ Decatur, IL

Attached you will find information and directions for the Commodores Sunnyside Invitational Tournament. We're excited to host your team at this new wooden bat tournament sponsored by Arthur J. Gallagher & Company and the Decatur Park District. Premier travel teams from across the Midwest are entered, including the Kansas City Sluggers, Lids Missouri Bulls (Cape Girardeau), Evansville (In.) 'Backs, BNBA Gold (Bloomington), St. Louis Gamers, Central Illinois Outlaws (Peoria) and the Decatur Commodores.

Welcome to Decatur!

HOTEL

Decatur Conference Center and Hotel

www.hoteldecatur.com ♦ 217/422-8800 or Toll Free 877/352-8800

Intersection of Rt. 36 E and Wyckles Road, Decatur

The tournament hotel is less than ½ mile from Sunnyside Park. Room blocks are already available for teams. This is a very nice hotel with comfortable rooms, indoor swimming pool, and a great sports bar.

DIRECTIONS

Directions to the hotel:

- ✓ **From Champaign:** 57 South: Take I-57 South to Champaign, IL. From Champaign take I-72 West. Follow I-72 West to exit 133A, the third exit for Decatur (reads US Route 36E). Continue ½ mile on US Route 36 to the traffic light. At the traffic light turn right, then left into the Decatur Conference Center and Hotel entrance.
- ✓ **From Bloomington:** 55 South: Take I-55 South to Bloomington, IL. From Bloomington take US Route 51 South. Follow US Route 51 South to I-72 West. Follow I-72 West to exit 133A, the second exit for Decatur (Reads US Route 36E). Continue ½ mile on US Route 36 to the traffic light. At the traffic light turn right, then left into the Decatur Conference Center and Hotel entrance.
- ✓ **From Springfield:** Take I-55 North to Springfield, IL. From Springfield take I-72 East. Follow I-72 East to exit 133A, the first exit for Decatur (reads US Route 36E). Continue ½ mile on US Route 36 to the traffic light. At the traffic light turn right, then left into the Decatur Conference Center and Hotel entrance.

SUNNYSIDE PARK

All games will be played at Sunnyside Park. Directions to the park are the same as to the hotel, except do not turn at the first traffic light, but instead, after taking exit 133A:

- ✓ Head east on US-36 – 1.2 miles to N. Sunnyside Road.
- ✓ Turn left at N. Sunnyside Road.
- ✓ Continue 0.3 miles to entrance of Sunnyside Park on your right.
- ✓ 1590 N. Sunnyside Rd.

WELCOME BANQUET

6 – 7 p.m., Location Fairview Park

Keynote Speaker: TBA

On Thursday evening, the tournament committee will host a welcome banquet for participating teams. All players, coaches and parents are invited to attend. College scouts and coaches have also been invited. This will be a perfect opportunity to meet and speak with college representatives.

COLLEGE SCOUTS/COACHES

Each of the last 2 years we have had over 20 college coaches from Illinois, Missouri, Indiana, Iowa and Michigan. We don't think this year will be any different.

REFRESHMENTS

A full-service concession stand will be open for all games.

ADMISSION/PARKING

There is no admission fee or parking fee at the field. However, parking availability is very limited. Teams and parents are asked to car pool when possible.

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

If you have questions about the tournament, please contact your coach, Tournament Director Jim Bednar, or Assistant Director Dede Lowe.

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