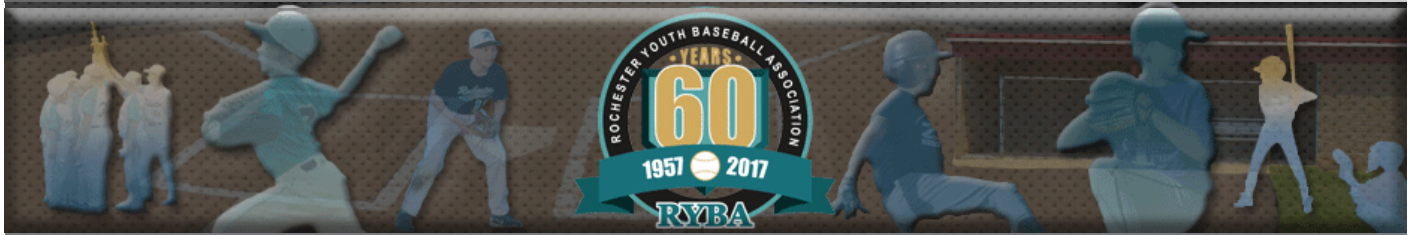


# 2017 ROCHESTER YOUTH BASEBALL ASSOCIATION



## *RYBA Celebrates 60 Seasons!*

2017 Newsletter

**"Youth Growing Through Baseball" since 1957.**

January 2017

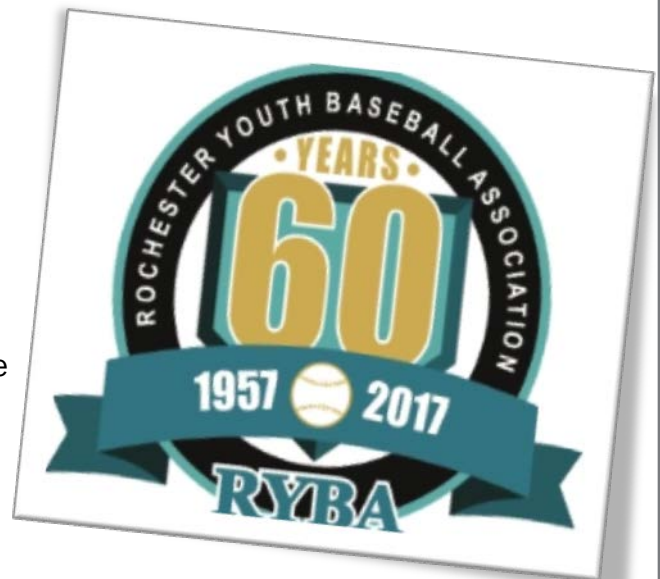
Welcome to RYBA's 2017 digital newsletter. This newsletter will provide high level information and links to more detailed information on our website.

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On behalf of the Board of Directors, welcome to RYBA 2017! [Registration is open!](#) We are excited to celebrate our 60<sup>th</sup> season with you and the entire Rochester community. Each and every season there are many different people who help make youth baseball "happen" and we thank each of you who have made contributions to our youth with their time, donations, and efforts to keep baseball strong in our community. I want to personally thank the volunteer coaches who give countless hours of their time to teaching RYBA players the game of baseball. If you are interested in volunteering your time to support youth baseball in Rochester, please contact any of our [board members](#). Also, thank you to our [sponsors](#) whose support enables us keep our costs low. Please express your gratitude to them with your patronage! If you are interested in sponsorship opportunities, click [here](#).

To celebrate our 60<sup>th</sup> season, RYBA is excited to announce **FREE Registration for ALL Rochester Kindergarten students who sign up before May 1<sup>st</sup>!**

We want to remove financial barriers so kindergarten students have the opportunity to play the greatest game on earth. It is exciting to provide an opportunity for children to get off the Xbox and into the batter's box.



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**President's letter cont.**

Another exciting 60<sup>th</sup> season event includes our Opening Day celebrations on May 16 and May 17. As the dates near, more detailed information on our Opening Day events will be posted on the website.

The RYBA Board is working hard to make sure our 60<sup>th</sup> season is the best yet. We hope that you and your player enjoy the season.

Thank you!  
Chris Powell, President of RYBA

## House League Information

We are excited about the 2017 RYBA baseball season. House league provides opportunity to further develop baseball skills and have fun. Tryouts will be the week of April 17. More information can be found the [House League](#) page on the RYBA website. The dates below are subject to change based on registration results.

Grade	Game Days	Start Date
Kindergarten:	M/W	6/12/2017
1st Grade:	T/TH	6/13/2017
2nd Grade:	M/W	6/12/2017
3rd Grade:	T/TH	6/13/2017
4th/5th Majors:	T/TH	5/9/2017
4th/5th Minors:	M/W	5/22/2017
6th/7th Majors:	M/W	5/15/2017
6th/7th Minors:	T/TH	5/16/2017
8th/9 <sup>th</sup> grade	T/TH	5/16/2017



### RYBA Provides Pre-season Training at Olmsted Medical Center for all 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Players

Prior to the beginning of the 2017 Season, RYBA will provide preseason training with the baseball training staff at Olmsted Sports Medicine & Athletic Performance located on 55<sup>th</sup> Street NW. Sessions will take place inside the OMC state-of-the-art athletic training facility.

Each team will have four sessions scheduled prior to the season for players to gain baseball skills and RYBA coaches to build upon a strong foundation. Once teams are established, coaches will receive the training schedule and will contact players and families with the schedule.

## Introducing the RYBA TORNADOES



We are excited to announce a new, unified identity for our Travel teams. Beginning this season, all RYBA teams will share the name, *Rochester Tornadoes*. Individual teams will be noted by color such as, teal, black, white or grey. This change will bring the entire community together in support of one common name.

We wish our teams the best of luck as they “whirl” past the competition this season!

## Travel Baseball Information

The Rochester Youth Baseball Association (RYBA) traveling program is designed to allow players to compete against community-based teams from across the state. The RYBA traveling program is designed to provide players in the program with the knowledge and skills necessary to play baseball at a high level. Click on the following for [general travel information](#), [tryout information](#) and [tournament dates and locations](#).

### UMPIRES NEEDED

We need about 25 umpires per night to cover all the games. Umpires are paid each game they cover, rates up to \$55 per game. Umpires must be at least 16 years old and have a valid driver's license. Please click [here](#) for more information or contact Jack Kall - JackKall@rybamn.com

## Important Links

- [Registration](#)
- [Financial Assistance](#)
- [House League](#)
- [Travel Program](#)
- [Coach Info](#)
- [2017 Bat Rules](#)
- [RYBA Scholarships for 2017 graduates](#)
- [RYBA Employment Opportunities](#)

### RYBA honored by Rochester Area Sports Commission

On January 30, RYBA was honored as the Rochester Area Sports Commission's Sports Organization of the Year. This honor is shared with everyone who participates with RYBA – players, parents, coaches, field crew, umpires, sponsors, and fans. Congrats!!

