

## Monday Night (July 19, 2021):

### Opening Ceremonies

This night will be hosted at the Louisville Slugger Sports Complex at the Stadium Fields.

8400 N Orange Prairie Rd, Peoria, IL 61615

**4PM-7PM - Coaches Check In:** Coaches check in will take place outside the Stadium Fields. The head coach will need to come verify your roster and turn in insurance if it is not online already. This will also be where you can pick up your Coaches Wristband. Each team will be given three wrist bands for coaches. In order to collect the wrist bands, each coach will need to come and collect his/her wristband. All three Coaches do not need to come in at once but we will not be able to hand all three over to one person. Check In will begin at 4PM on Monday night.

**Roster:** This is USSSA sanctioned tournament. What that means to us is that all rosters have to be done through the USSSA system. This sometimes can be a multistep process so if we can get started on it now, it will save a lot of stress right before the tournament. As the coach, you will need to fill out the roster with all of your players information. From there the system will send the parents an email. The parents will either need to create or log into their USSSA account to verify that the information you have provided on the roster is accurate. They will also need to sign the COVID-19 Waiver. If the COVID-19 waiver does not appear right away, they will need to log out then log back in and they should be able to accept it. Please note, your rosters should be locked as of now. If you are an Illinois or Wisconsin team, I know it is Perry Clark's rule that he cannot help add players to the roster after the Wednesday before the tournament. Please do not wait until last minute!! Only the players on the roster will be eligible to play in the tournament, with the exceptions of added guest players which again, might require his help!

**Insurance:** If you do not have insurance through USSSA loaded on your USSSA Account, please just bring a copy of your team insurance with you! USSSA allows any valid team insurance; it does not have to be associated with a certain location.

**4PM-9PM - Pre-Sold Wristband/Wristband Sales:** We will be selling week wristbands (entry passes) in front of the Stadium fields for spectators. This will help you skip the line and the walk before your first game! If you would like to skip the line this night as well, you can pre-order your wristbands through this link! This link will be active until 11:59PM July 17<sup>th</sup>.

<https://form.jotform.com/211785380748162>

**6:00PM – Coaches/Managers Meeting:** Located on Field 2. This meeting will go over rules of the tournament, facility information, and tournament FAQ's and the chance to ask any question you might have. Please do not bring more than 3 people per team to this meeting.

**6:00PM – Opening Ceremonies Begin**

6:30PM – Line Up for the Parade (on the left side of Stadium 1)

7:00PM – Parade Begins (Stadium 1)

- This year we are going to have a theme of Superheroes. We would love to see your team dress in theme! There will be a best dressed team prize for the team that is picked the winner.

7:45PM – Guest Speaker – USSSA Pride Player, Jessica Burroughs (Stadium 1)

8:15pm – Skills Competition (Team) begins on Stadium 1

- Around the Horn (9 players – one thrower in every position)
- Base to Base Relay (4 players)
  - o We highly encourage you to let each girl participate in one of the events in order to get your whole team involved.

9:00PM – Opening Ceremonies Concludes

As all of this is going on we will have a DJ, games being played, and a dunk tank with the opportunity to dunk your coach! We need the coaches' support in this! Please bring a change of clothes and a towel! Your players will get to test out their aim to see who can dunk you!

## Tuesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>:

**Senior Night:** We want to say a final farewell to all of the High School Seniors as they get ready to start the next chapter in their lives. These young ladies have given many years to softball and to USSSA and we want to thank them properly for continuing to move the game of softball forward. We will be playing a softball game (possibly two depending on how many players sign up) under the lights on Wednesday night at 8:15PM on the Stadium fields (there will be no 18U game going on at this time). This is for players who graduated Spring of 2021. It will be a 5 inning scrimmage of teams that we put together to play a final game as a "senior". If you have players, that want to play in this game, please email the below information to [shea@sluggerpeoria.com](mailto:shea@sluggerpeoria.com) by Sunday, July 18th at 8PM. This will be a great opportunity to bring teams together and hang out all while giving the seniors a proper goodbye.

Name:

High School:

High School Number:

Position:

College/University you will be attending this Fall:

Anticipated Major:

A picture of the player

### Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>:

**USSSA Appreciation Movie Night and Pin Trading:** We are going to be hosting a movie night down at Dozer Field in Peoria. Bring your chairs and blankets and come watch Wonder Women on the big screen with us! We have also dedicated this night to Pin Trading. Bring your team out and enjoy a fun night together! The movie will start at 8PM but the doors will open at 7PM. You do not have to RSVP however, if you know you will be coming, if you could email [shea@sluggerpeoria.com](mailto:shea@sluggerpeoria.com) with your team name and that you will be coming to the movie night that would be great! I would love to let Dozer Park know so they can staff appropriately so we can keep lines to a minimum!

Dozer Park

730 SW Jefferson Ave

Peoria, IL 61605

### Additional Information:

**Gift Exchange:** Please email me at [shea@sluggerpeoria.com](mailto:shea@sluggerpeoria.com) by Wednesday, July 14th at 5pm if your team would like to participate! If you choose to participate please bring 15 gift bags to exchange. You will get your team assignment upon check in.

**Raffle Items:** For the Opening Ceremonies, Senior Night, and Movie Night there will be a raffle item that the players that attend will be able to put their name in for a chance to win. For those that attend, make sure you get a ticket for your chance to win!

**Tournament Shirt Pre-Orders:** If you are interested in Pre-Ordering a shirt, please follow the link below. Pre-Orders will be open until 7/11/21 at 11:59PM. We will only have a limited

amount of shirts available for sale at the tournament. In order to guarantee a shirt and a size, please use the pre-order link.

<https://form.jotform.com/211785435581158>

**For those coaches/teams who will be arriving Tuesday:** check-in will be located in the dome building lobby. Meeting information for Monday will be shared and any information needed will be received at that time.

**Drive through for pre-sold wrist bands** will be available through the drive through on site starting Tuesday morning. Please drive behind the dome on the left side and you will come across a tent where you can pick up your orders. There will be signs for you to follow as well.

If you did not purchase a wrist band before the event, you can purchase these at the white shipping container across from the playground. It will have red flags by it so it is easily found.

Please note, this is subject to change but any changes will be communicated. Again, we are really looking forward to the USSSA Great Lakes National Championships! If you have any questions before your arrival, please do not hesitate to let me know!

Thank you,

The Staff at the Louisville Slugger Sports Complex