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10. SWID
11. WI

# CENTRAL REGION NAZARENE YOUTH INTERNATIONAL

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of RCL is to provide support and coordination for the NYI ministries and events in the Central Region and to encourage its members to seriously consider ONU as their choice for higher education.

**ORGANIZATION:** The *Regional Council* will be made up of the Regional President, all the central region district NYI Presidents, the Regional NYI Trainer, the Celebrate Life Director, the Associated Student Body President of ONU, and an ONU representative appointed by the University President. General Council members living in the central region as well as all District Superintendent's in the central region are invited to attend the regional council meetings.

**REGIONAL PRESIDENT:** The *Regional President* will chair the regional council and coordinate the NYI ministries of the central region.

**BUSINESS MANAGER:** The *Secretary/Business Manager* will write, publish, and preserve all minutes of council meetings and be in charge as keeper of the regional funds, making periodic reports of the same.

**REGIONAL COUNCIL:** The *Regional Council* is charged with establishing policy and giving general guidance to the coordination of cooperative ministries/events in the region. The council provides a forum for the orientation of the new District Presidents and the cross-referencing of helpful information among the districts.

**CELEBRATE LIFE DIRECTOR:** The *Celebrate Life Director* will coordinate all *Regional Celebrate Life* activities; keep expenditures within the parameters of the budget established by the regional council; prepare, update and distribute Celebrate Life Handbooks to each district on the region; appoint helpers, coordinators and activity directors with approval from the regional council; work closely with ONU in all planning and housing; reserve hotel accommodations; and book and schedule speakers, musicians, and entertainment with the approval of the regional council. He/she must submit a written report at the fall meeting. The regional council (to be appointed at the February council meeting prior to Regional Celebrate Life and implemented at the close of the next Regional Celebrate Life) appoints the director yearly.

**MEETINGS:** The regional council shall meet at least two times yearly: Once during the *fall* and once in the *spring*, prior to Celebrate Life.

**TREASURY:** In accordance with the NYI Constitution, a treasury is established with each district and contributes to the needs of agreed upon ministries and other operating expenses of the region. A yearly budget will be established at the fall regional meeting. Registration fees are needed to cover the expenses of *Celebrate Life* and other ministries approved by the regional council. Each district will determine how these registration fees are paid. A district cannot participate in *Celebrate Life* unless its contribution has been paid in full by April 30<sup>th</sup>. Each district's contribution is to be based on the district budget amount. By request of the General NYI Council, each regional council shall annually report a budget and any future plans.

# REGIONAL CELEBRATE LIFE

**PURPOSE:** Celebrate Life is designed to encourage the development and abilities of the youth of the region for ministry in the name of Jesus. Also, Celebrate Life shall encourage the relationship between the Central Region NYI and Olivet Nazarene University.

**The purpose includes:**

1. Opportunity for spiritual growth, challenge, encouragement, worship and celebration.
2. Opportunity for individuals who participate in district level quizzing, athletics and talent to advance to the regional level and to use their talents on a broader basis.
3. Opportunity for fellowship among the youth in our educational zone.
4. Opportunity for prospective students and parents to visit and see firsthand, Olivet Nazarene University.
5. Opportunity for prospective students to be observed by the University faculty.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION:** Each participant should be an active member/participant in the Nazarene Church district he/she represents. Each district president is responsible for who may or may not participate in Celebrate Life.

**AGE REQUIREMENTS AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL:** All participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of Regional Celebrate Life in May in order to participate in any form of competition on the zone/district/regional level.

**Quizzing:** At the regional level, teams for all official quiz competition, are restricted to 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade at the regional level.

**Musical Talent:** Participants are judged according to grade level:

**Early Youth: 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade**

**Senior Youth: 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade**

**Arts:** Registrants participate according to their grade level.

**Team Sports:** Restricted to 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. Team sports are males and females teams' with the exception of co-ed soccer, bowling, and mixed doubles in table tennis. (**NOTE:** Tennis to be further divided into Early Youth/Senior Youth.)

**Individual Sports:** Students play according to their grade level as listed above (includes chess, golf, home run derby, hot shot & free throw, 5k run and singles in tennis). All the above, with the exception of the 5K run and chess, play in the males or females tournaments. (**NOTE:** Singles in table tennis and golf are NOT divided into Early Youth/Senior Youth. However, they are divided into male and female divisions; Table Tennis also has a mixed double division.)

- ❑ A student may participate in more than one activity with the exception of team sports. A participant may only participate in one team sport - **NO EXCEPTIONS** (includes bowling, VB, BB, soccer, golf and mixed doubles in table tennis).
- ❑ Each participant must recognize that he/she will forfeit the opportunity to participate if he/she cannot adjust to the printed schedule.
- ❑ Quizzing will have priority over sports and sports over talent.
- ❑ The only area where schedule adjustments may be a possibility is talent and will only be considered when a conflict is indicated on the Talent Registration Form.
- ❑ The final interpretation of the rules subject to change by the RCL director.

# DISTRICT POLICIES

**ATTIRE:** Each district is responsible for close supervision of its participants on and off campus. Dress on Olivet's campus shall be subject to the guidance of the District Superintendent and District NYI President of each district and should be in harmony with Olivet's general rules.

- Athletic attire such as shorts and tank tops are permitted for active participation in sporting events.
- Athletic attire should be avoided, if possible, during the scheduled evening services.
- PLEASE NOTE: Sweats or cover-ups may be worn. Shirts and shoes must be worn at all times.

**INSURANCE:** Each district shall have basic insurance coverage for its participants. The Central Region NYI is not responsible for any of the participants in *Celebrate Life*. All participants assume their own liability for involvement in the event.

**REGISTRATION:** All registrations are made through the District President and/or District Celebrate Life Director as instructed, in order that they might:

- Know who is qualified and who is representing the district.
- Make arrangements for sponsorship.
- Make arrangements for transportation and for the sale of the *Celebrate Life* package deals, which includes:
  - 6 meals (*in Ludwig – cafeteria*)
  - 2 nights (*in the dorms on campus or hotels off campus*)
  - 3 worship services/programming

**RECOGNITION:** The District Presidents and District Superintendents receive notification of all top ratings and top award winners to honor through newsletters and conventions from a form generated by the Regional President.

**BOOKLET/PUBLICITY:** Celebrate Life has a welcome and schedule booklet and other information available for distribution at the event. The RCL director will mail the complete handbook to the District President's in the fall.

**PACKAGES:** Any and all participants must purchase package A:

- A. **Participant Package A:** Full package deal; \$75 (housing and food)
- B. Spectators may purchase individual meals at Ludwig Center.

**ADDING EVENTS:** Action is taken when 7 out of 11 districts vote in favor of adding a new event. Also, sufficient time is necessary for added staff arrangements.



# REGISTRATION

**DEADLINE:** All team and individual registration forms, including package deals (*one check please*), should be postmarked and mailed **no later than April 15**. Those received with a postmark later than April 15 will be considered only if scheduling/space is allowed.

**MAIL TO:** All registrants should register with their District President as soon as their district competition is completed, but no later than April 15. Make checks payable to your district NYI.

**DISTRICT DUES:** All district dues must be paid in full by April 15th. For districts to send participants, all fees must be postmarked and mailed by April 15th and sent to the Regional Business Manager (*Eric Wood*). Again, all forms and fees must be sent as specified for eligibility.

## REGISTRATION FEES:

BIBLE QUIZZING (per team) .....	\$ 200
VOLLEYBALL (per team) .....	\$ 130
MUSICAL TALENT .....	(varies)
Per Solo (Vocal & Instrumental) .....	\$ 4
Duet (Vocal & Instrumental) .....	\$ 8
Trio (Vocal & Instrumental) .....	\$ 12
Ensemble (Vocal & Instrumental) .....	\$ 15
Choir/Band (Vocal & Instrumental) .....	\$ 20
District Impact Teams .....	n/c
BASKETBALL .....	(varies)
Hot Shot (per team--max. of 4) .....	\$ 15
Free Throw (per team--max. of 4) .....	\$ 15
District Team (per team--max. of 12) .....	\$ 130
TABLE TENNIS (per district-max. of 4) .....	\$ 25
ARTS and CRAFTS (per entry) .....	\$ 4
Painting/Drawing and Prints/Sculpture and Crafts/Still Photography	
VIDEO PRODUCTION (per superior/excellent entry) .....	\$ 4
COMMUNICATIONS (per entry) .....	\$ 4
Bible Exposition/Speech/Creative Writing Puppetry, Drama, Mime (fees per person)	
BOWLING (per team-max. of 4) .....	\$ 55
GOLF (per entry) .....	\$ 20
HOME RUN DERBY .....	\$ 4
DODGEBALL (2012) .....	\$ 15
CHESS (per entry) .....	\$ 4
SOCCER (per team-max. of 14) .....	\$130
5 K RUN (per entry) .....	\$ 4
SCIENCE QUIZZING (per team-max. of 5) .....	\$ 15
TENNIS (per entry) .....	\$ 4

# BIBLE QUIZZING

## REGIONAL QUIZZING

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**AGE:** Participants be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district. Team Bible Quizzing registration forms are to be mailed by May 1<sup>st</sup> to Bill Horning. Alternatively, teams can be registered at <http://www.centralregonbg.org>. The rest of the forms are mailed to Matt Smith.

**QUIZ RULES:** Regional Bible Quizzing shall be conducted according to the current edition of the rules (2002 Version) with a few exceptions to be noted by the director before the event. .

**REGIONAL QUIZ TEAM:** The Top Sixteen method or other predetermined method determines the one or two Regional Quiz Team's for post regional quizzing.

**Subsidy:** Regional team(s) is subsidized yearly for one quiz tournament beyond the regional level.

### **Coach Subsidy Includes (amounts capped from NYC and General Assembly):**

- Regional coaches expense
- Registration fees
- Team clothing allowance (from ONU)
- Housing and meals

### **Individual Subsidy Includes:**

- Includes Housing & meals package
- or \$7.00 for non-packaged
- \$100 travel

**Regional Coach:** The Regional Quiz Director shall have the option to serve as the regional team coach. If he/she are unable to serve, or chooses not to serve, the Regional Quiz Director shall have the option of appointing or using another means of determining the coach(s).

**Tournament:** Quizzing is a "Round Robin Tournament – all teams quiz all the other teams once" followed by a Division A, top 6 team double elimination/placement finals and a Division B, top 4 team single elimination finals.

**ROUND ROBIN:** Quizzing is a "Round Robin Tourney" followed by a top Division A6 team Division B4 team final.

**DIRECTIONS:** The Regional Quizzing Director shall arrange the following:

- Materials and Judges (*Quiz Master, Content Judges – Selection* from experienced and/or properly trained collegians, faculty, the ministry, or knowledgeable district representatives and laity. Parents of the district team members and district directors shall not serve as a material judge (parents may serve as a material judge in a division in which their child is not participating – provided there are divisions).
- Equipment Technicians
- Statistician and scorekeepers –Selection from experienced and/or properly trained collegians, faculty, the ministry, or knowledgeable district representative, laity and parents of district team members (parents only when divisions are used).

### **AWARDS:**

#### **Trophies or Medals:**

- The top 10 individuals, determined by the top 16 competition receive trophies or medals. The winning district team and coach(s), runner-up team and coach(s), and the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place Division A teams and coach(s) receive individual trophies or medals; up to 6 trophies or medals per team. The 1<sup>st</sup> place team in the Division B will receive trophies or medals; up to 6 trophies or medals.

# BIBLEQUIZZING (cont.)

- Each district garners grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place team receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place team receiving the least. Division B will not be included in grand trophy points.

## Scholarships:

- The top quizzier on the region receives a \$2250 scholarship by ONU to ONU and each “other” member of the Regional Five (First Regional Team) receives a \$1250 scholarship to ONU. Each person who places 6-10 in the “Top Sixteen” receives a \$750 scholarship to ONU. Each person who places 11-16 receives a \$500 scholarship to ONU. Each member of the 1<sup>st</sup> place (Division A) team will receive a \$500 scholarship and each member of the 2<sup>nd</sup> place (Division A) will receive a \$250 scholarship. A special award for memory verse recitation will be given for the first time this year. 1<sup>st</sup> place will receive \$500 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> place will receive \$250.
- ONU shall award up to \$1500 in matching scholarships to each district each year, provided the district makes payment to ONU prior to the student attending ONU. The recipients receive the award from Olivet during their freshman year of college. A district may elect to split the amount available between more than one individual but the sum may only total \$1500. The district must first pay the amount before ONU will award the matching amount. ONU will only match a total of \$1500 per district rather one or more people are awarded.

**OFFICIAL TEXT:** The official text used will be the NIV.

## SCHEDULE:

<b>Thursday</b>	8:30-9:30 A.M.	Setup
	9:30-10:30 A.M.	Officials/Coaches and Captains Meeting, Wisner 137
	11:00-12:30 P.M.	Opening Ceremony/Service (Centennial Chapel)
	12:30-1:50 P.M.	Lunch (begins package meals, Ludwig)
	1:50-1:55 P.M.	Quizzing General Opening – Wisner 137
	2:00-6:00 P.M.	Quizzing, Wisner (Division B), Weber (Division A)
	6:05-6:15 P.M.	Officials Photo (south entrance Wisner)
	6:00-7:30 P.M.	Dinner Break (Ludwig)
	7:30-? P.M.	Discipleship Seminar - Wisner 153
	7:30-midnight	Free time/Enjoy other events (Discipleship Seminar Wisner)
<b>Friday</b>		
	10:45 -1:15 P.M.	Quizzing, Wisner (Division A), Weber (Division B)
	1:15 - 2:15 P.M.	Lunch (Ludwig)
	2:25 – 2:30 P.M.	Announcements – Wisner 137
	2:30 - 6:00 P.M.	Finals, Wisner
	6:00 - 7:00 P.M.	Dinner Break (Ludwig)
	7:00 - midnight	Free time/Enjoy other events (Discipleship Seminar Wisner)
<b>Saturday</b>		
	8:00 - 12:00 Noon	Top Sixteen, Testimonies & Closing - Wisner

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- Quizzers’ names are in seat order (*first name, then last name*) and entered on the official score sheets when all are received. Substitutes must be designated and reported to the scorekeepers.
- Captains (\*) and Co-Captains (\*) shall be identified on the lineup form. The captain must be an active quizzier to start the round (able to answer questions).
- Coach name(s) should be supplied.
- Once lineups are submitted, no changes permitted. (*Lineups will be confidential.*)
- All quizzers/officials must be in their assigned seats in the quiz area after all line-up forms are received or as scheduled or when required by the Quiz Master.
- Teams that are more than 10 minutes late may be required to forfeit that round, provided that rounds are on time according to the official preliminary schedule.

**FEES - \$200 per team**

# MUSICAL

# TALENT

## Talent Director:

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### GENERAL RULES:

- Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district.
- Vocal entries must be memorized. Instrumental entries may use music, including keyboard. Participants must give an original copy of the performance material to the judges. The memorization of instrumental entries receives an additional 3 bonus points to the total point value. The use of music for vocal entries receives a 4 point deduction.
- All entries should fall between 2 and 6 minutes in length. Under or over the time limit shall be marked on the participant's critique sheet.
- All entries shall be of a religious nature with the exception of instrumentals. *Classical music is permitted.*
- Only use the address system that is provided.

### ACCOMPANIMENT:

- Participants may be assisted by live accompaniment, no accompaniment, or by cassette tape/CD accompaniment. All commercially produced accompaniment tapes/CDs must be an original tape/CD. No copies are permitted.
- Music must be provided for the judges. Lyric sheets are not sufficient. The use of lyric sheets only for judges shall result in a 2 point deduction.
- The taped/CD accompaniment must not have voices singing the same words and notes simultaneously with the singer(s). The participant will be judged according to the printed music at any time.
- Copyright laws must be observed on both printed music and taped/CD music!

### ENSEMBLES:

- An ensemble is defined as (*vocally & instrumentally*) four to eleven persons; twelve persons or more is considered a choir or band (for registration purposes). Any vocal or instrumental with 2 or more people shall be JUDGED as an ensemble.
- Vocal and instrumental ensembles, choirs and bands shall be judged in the age group of the oldest participant within the group.
- Participants shall be limited to district finalists attaining a Superior or Excellent rating.

### PRAISE BAND:

- Each praise band will be allowed setup time; 15 minutes performance time; 10 minutes tear down. Exceeding the time limit will result in a 2 point deduction. Each praise band shall present a worship set lasting no fewer than 10 minutes and no longer than 15 minutes.

### CATEGORIES:

- Talent categories shall include:  
Vocal: solo, duet, trio, ensemble, rap, and choirs (*including district choirs*)  
Instrumental: solo, keyboard, ensemble and band, and praise band.

ATTENTION: You may only participate once per category. District choir members may sing in addition to their local church youth choir. Please dress appropriately for your activity.

# TALENT (continued)

## REGISTRATION:

- Each person's registration(s) must be on a separate form, and must specify their group's name or the individual's name to identify their common entry.
- Deadline: Registration forms must be submitted by April 16.
- The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.
- The talent coordinator is to keep a record of all entries and scores with a list of all receiving a *Superior* or *Excellent for the RCL Director* (see page entitled "District Policies" – section "recognition").

## SCHEDULE:

- ❖ The schedule may be sent out in advance to each district president. It cannot be completed until all registration forms are received. However, all districts are encouraged to attend the opening ceremony on Thursday at 11:00 A.M.
- ❖ The schedule will be posted by 12 noon, Thursday. If a particular performance time is desired because of extenuating circumstances (*such as distance to be traveled*), indicate preferred time on your registration form.
- ❖ The contest will run from 11:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. on Friday with the exception of Praise Bands. They will perform on Thursday at 1:00 P.M.
- ❖ All awards and score sheets may be picked up at the *Award Center* in the main lobby of the Larsen Fine Arts Center between 9:00 and 10:00 A.M. on Saturday (schedule posted noon, Thurs).

## POLICY STATEMENTS:

- ◆ The judges' fee shall be a minimum of \$25 for the first hour and \$15 for every hour thereafter, not to exceed \$100 per judge. Students will be paid minimum wage.
- ◆ Awards will be medallions or medals to individuals or ensembles with *Superior* or *Excellent* ratings. Ribbons will be awarded to all others. Choirs and bands of eleven or more will be given one award for the level of their performance.
- ◆ All *Superior/Excellent* ratings will be taken as a percentage of the district total entries. Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place district receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place district receiving the least.

FEE is \$4 per solo, \$8 per duet, \$12 per trio, \$15 per ensemble with four to eleven (maximum) participants and \$20 per choir and band.

# VIDEO PRODUCTION

## **PURPOSE:**

- To use technology to produce audio and video files stored in a digital format for playback. Projects must demonstrate the use of digital video production techniques.

## **QUALIFICATION:**

- Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of Regional Celebrate Life in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district.
- There is a limit of one video project per participant. Each participant may or may not choose to have a partner. There is no limit to the number of participants per district.
- All entries must receive at least an “excellent” rating at the district level. Any work that is not judged in the district competition is ineligible for Regional Celebrate Life.
- All *Superior/Excellent* ratings will be taken as a percentage of the district total entries. Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place district receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place district receiving the least.
- A typed or neatly written note card/label must accompany/be affixed to each entry stating the participant’s name, address and district.

## **GENERAL RULES:**

- Each project must be submitted on a DVD.
- All entries must be created using video and computer technology.
- Students may use any software to create their project.
- Each project must consist of at least three different shots, edited into a cohesive scene, meaning that the shots should not be random. They should be related in some way to form a scene. Scenes may be in any style, for example, dramatic, comedic, documentary, commercial, interview, nature/animals, avant-garde, etc.
- Scenes depicting inappropriate language, sexual innuendo or violence will be disqualified. As a general rule, scenes should be within the boundaries of a G motion picture rating.
- Scenes containing illegal content are unacceptable and will be disqualified.
- All videos should fall between 1-7 minutes (depending on the category chosen; details below). Under or over the time limit shall be marked on their critique sheet.
- Each project will be judged on: **script** (organization, effectiveness, content, coverage of topic, labeled), **video/audio/lighting** (camera steadiness, quality, originality, flow, creativity, audio, lighting), production (technical transitions, animation, graphics, correct length, proper citation, good use of varying sound effects).

## **COPYRIGHT REQUIREMENTS:** (Violation of any of the following will result in disqualification.)

- Entries must adhere to all applicable copyright laws.
- No commercially created clip art will be allowed in Digital Graphics.
- Trademarks or copyrighted logos require documented permission.
- You must have the legal right to use all performances included in your submission. This includes music, sound effects and performances by actors. Do not drop your favorite track from “*Lord of the Rings*” in your scene. Use royalty-free, public domain or original music.
- Fair use guidelines must be followed.
- All graphic files or other content belonging to other sources must be properly documented.

# VIDEO PRODUCTION (cont)

**CATEGORIES FOR VIDEO PROJECT:** The following are types of video projects that can be submitted. Participants may only enter one category.

- Commercial (1 minute or less) – persuade the intended audience; advertise a non-existing product.
- PSA-Public Service Announcement (1 minute or less) – video is intended to inform the audience.
- News Story (3 minute max.) – new feature.
- Documentary/Instructional (7 minute maximum) – facts based on information; historical events, biographies, tutorials.
- Abstract/Experimental (7 minute maximum) – original works; entertainment feature; non-narrative film; fine arts presentations.

## **REGISTRATION/SCHEDULE:**

- The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Projects will be viewed on Friday morning. Projects must be dropped off in Larsen between 1:00-5:00 P.M. on Thursday. A designated table will be set up in the foyer of Larsen. Late entries will be received in Larsen on Friday between 8:00-9:00 A.M.
- Projects may be picked up in Larsen after 6:30 P.M. on Friday.

# STILL PHOTOGRAPHY

FEE -\$4 per "Superior"  
"Excellent" entry

## STILL PHOTOGRAPHY GENERAL RULES: (Includes *Still Photography only*. For Arts & Crafts such as painting, drawing and sculpture/crafts, see next page.)

- Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district.
- All photography are to be an original. It should be interesting, holding the attention of the viewer.
- All entries must have received at least an "excellent" rating at the district level. Any work not judged at the district competition is ineligible for *Regional Celebrate Life*.
- While the entry does not have to show a religious subject or object, it should show the work of God through beauty, expression, or creativity.
- A statement explaining God's involvement in the project must accompany each entry, but this is not to be used for judging purposes.
- A typed or neatly written note card must accompany and **be affixed to** each entry, stating the participant's name, address and district.
- Composition, the placement of all objects, and the use of positive and negative space is critical. The photo will be judged on exposure, if it is too light or too dark and in focus. Each selection should have a focal point. The main subject should be in focus, drawing the viewer's attention.
- All entries should be at least 5x7, including the mat and frame. Larger prints are more acceptable.
- All entries must be matted and framed. There should be no writing on the photo or mat. All photo dates should be cropped off the print.
- There is a limit of one photographic entry per participant. There is no limit to the number of participants per district.
- All *Superior/Excellent* ratings will be taken as a percentage of the district total entries. Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place district receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place district receiving the least.

## CATEGORIES FOR DISPLAY:

1. Still Life
  2. Photo Journalism
  3. Portrait
  4. Black & White
- The exhibit will be viewed by members of the *Fine Arts* faculty of Olivet, as well as invited artists, as prescribed by the *Arts Director* in the various categories.
  - Entries will be received at the *Art Entry* table at **College Church** on Thursday between 1:00-5:00 P.M. for public display. Late entries will be taken between 8:00-9:00 A.M. on Friday. Adjudication will take place between 11:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M. They may be picked up after 6:30 P.M. Friday. Scoring sheets may be picked up after 6:30 P.M. Friday or between 9:00-10:00 A.M. on Saturday in Larsen.
  - The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.

FEE - \$4 per entry



# ARTS & CRAFTS

**GENERAL RULES:** (Includes *painting, drawing, and sculpture/craft* – not still photography. See previous sheet for still photography)

- Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district.
- All artwork is to be an original. No copies of painting or other artwork will be permitted. However, the use of cross stitch patterns is permitted.
- All entries must have received at least an “*excellent*” rating at the district level. Any work not judged in district competition is ineligible for *Regional Celebrate Life*.
- While the entry does not have to show a religious subject or object, it should have some relevance to religion through blending spiritual feeling with beauty, expression or color to depict peace, *Christian love or harmony*, etc.
- A statement explaining God’s involvement in the project must accompany each entry, but this is not to be used for judging purposes.
- A typed or neatly written note card must accompany and **be affixed to** each entry, stating the participant’s name, address and district and age.
- No kits or models allowed!
- There is no size limitation, but there is a limit of three pieces per artist, with only one piece accepted per category for an individual participant. There is no limit to the number of participants per district.
- All *Superior/Excellent* ratings will be taken as a percentage of the district total entries. Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place district receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place district receiving the least.

## TWO DIMENSIONAL:

- ✓ Drawing in charcoal, pencil or pastel **must** be fixative sprayed or sealed under acetate (or glass).
- ✓ All 2-dimensional artwork (*paintings, drawings, prints and photographs*) **must** be ready to hang. You may use wire or cloth hangers.

## CATEGORIES FOR DISPLAY:

1. Painting (*acrylic, oil, or watercolor*)
  2. Drawing and Prints (*color drawings acceptable*)
  3. Sculpture and Crafts
- The exhibit will be viewed by members of the *Fine Arts* faculty of Olivet, as well as invited artists, as prescribed by the *Arts Director* in the various categories.
  - Entries will be received at the *Art Entry* table at **College Church** on Thursday between 1:00-5:00 P.M. for public display. Late entries will be taken between 8:00-9:00 A.M. on Friday. Adjudication will take place between 11:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M. They may be picked up after 6:30 P.M. Friday. Scoring sheets may be picked up after 6:30 P.M. Friday or between 9:00-10:00 A.M. on Saturday in Larsen.
  - The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.

**FEE - \$4 per entry**

# COMMUNICATON

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## BIBLE EXPOSITION:

- ❖ Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district.
- ❖ The *Bible Exposition* category shall be an **ORIGINAL** sermonic message or speech no longer than 10 minutes or shorter than 5 minutes in length and based upon a Scripture passage. The sermonic points must arise from and explain the significant meaning of the passage itself, not a topical message.
- ❖ In *Bible Exposition*, sermonic helps may be referred to in preparation, but credit must be footnoted.
- ❖ Outlines of sermons in *Bible Exposition* must be typed with 1 ½" margins.
- ❖ In *Bible Exposition*, only one entry per person is allowed.
- ❖ *Bible Exposition* category shall be open to any number of participants from the district.

## OTHER CATEGORIES:

- *Communications* is defined as individual or group presentation on a religious topic or scripture.

**Communications includes the areas of:** Speech/Readings; Puppetry; Drama; Mime; Creative Writing

- **Speeches must be an original work.**
- Time allotment for Speech, Puppetry and Drama entries is between 3 and 10 minutes.
- Ratings will be based on communication skills, content, facial expression, poise, gestures and appearance or costume.
- *Speech, Puppetry and Drama* participants must present their materials to the judge before presenting their entry.
- *Creative Writing* entries must be presented in a typed format in order to avoid a penalty. *Creative Writing* includes the areas of short stories, prose and poetry. All entries should be presented in a folder. **DO NOT FRAME.** There is a 10-page limit.
- *Creative Writing* entries must be accompanied by a typed or neatly written note card **affixed to the** writing and stating the participant's name, address and district.
- In *Communications*, a person may enter only once in each category, as in Speech, Puppetry, Drama, Mime, and Creative Writing.
- Groups of four or more will be given one award for their level of performance.

## RATING:

- ❖ Participants will be rated by a *Superior, Excellent, Good or Fair* rating system, with *Superior* being the best possible. This is combined with the other areas of *Arts*.
- ❖ Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place district receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place district receiving the least.
- ❖ All *Communication* entries will be received at the *Communication Entry* table in the *Larsen Fine Arts Center* on Thursday between 1:00-5:00 P.M. They may be picked up after 6:30 P.M. Friday or between 9:00-10:00 A.M. on Saturday in Larsen.
- ❖ The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>

**FEES - \$4 per entry.**

# SCIENCE QUIZZING

Science Quizzing Director:  
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**LOCATION/MEETING:** Science quizzing is located in the Reed Hall of Science. A Science Quizzing Coaches meeting takes place on Thursday at 2 P.M. in Reed Hall of Science; room 211. A tournament bracket will be posted during *Celebrate Life*. The tournament begins on Thursday from 3:00-4:30 P.M. On Friday, participants must be checked in by 11:00 A.M.

**AGE:** Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life in May*. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district.

Science Quizzing began in 1989 as a way to get Junior and Senior High students involved and excited about science, math and engineering. Several academic departments of Olivet Nazarene University developed Science Quizzing so that more students could be involved in the Celebrate Life competition and so that individuals could become better exposed to the science.

In 2004, E2i Automation became the corporate sponsor for the competition. E2i is an engineering company that specializes in programming and engineering for manufacturers. This year, E2i has generously provided resources to write an additional 200 questions and to develop updated strike systems for the competition.

## 1. TEAMS:

- Teams must be formed at the District level. An “intent to participate” form must be submitted to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>. This should include the district name, coach’s name, address, and phone number (person over 18 years old), all team members who will be present at the Celebrate Life competition and their addresses, grade and church. Districts with uncompleted forms will not be allowed to participate under any circumstances.
- Each **team** must be accompanied by an adult coach.
- Each team must have a designated captain (spokes person) who will sit in the center chair.
- Each competing team must have a minimum of 3 members and a maximum of 5 members plus two alternates.
- The alternate team members may be substituted into the competition once per match. If a team begins with less than five members, they can still only substitute twice into vacant positions.
- Teams should be present at least 10 minutes before any match. It is each team’s responsibility to make sure that they are present on-time. Forfeits will be given to teams who arrive more than 5 minutes beyond the designated time or who do not show.
- Teams that supply one person to help with the competition will be awarded 10 points at each game. These individuals will be used to prevent entry into the room during questions.
- Persons (fans) will not be able to enter or exit rooms during the questions. Persons may enter the room between questions.

## 2. OFFICIALS:

The following is a list of officials necessary for play:

- **Quiz Master** – Presides over competition; reads questions and awards points to correct answers and errors.
- **Strike/Time Judge** – Determines first strike, controls timers for answers, and timeouts; keeps the score.



# SCIENCE QUIZZING (cont.)

- Answers that contain any incorrect information will be considered “incorrect”.
- No scratch paper, pencil or calculators are allowed in the competition.

## 5. CELEBRATE LIFE TOURNAMENT

- The Tournament format will be a reduced round robin round-followed by a single elimination bracket.
- During the reduced round robin round, each team will play in three matches against a randomly chosen opposing team.
- The three matches count for points only. Each team should try to earn as many points in the three matches as possible, since the average points will determine placement in the single elimination bracket.
- Only the top eight teams will be entered into a single elimination bracket. Teams will be seeded based upon average scores in the reduced round robin with the 1<sup>st</sup> place team pitted against the 8<sup>th</sup> place team, 2<sup>nd</sup> place team against the 7<sup>th</sup> place team, etc.
- If there is an average score tie between any of the top eight teams, seeding in the single elimination bracket will be determined by the number of wins in the round robin play (e.g. A team winning both of their games in the round robin will be seeded better than a team that won one or none of their games.) If the number of wins is also tied, seeding will be chosen randomly.
- Matches will be sequenced every 30 minutes.
- Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place district receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place district receiving the least.

## 6. CORRECTNESS OF ANSWERS, JUDGING, CHALLENGING:

- The Quiz Master asking the questions will decide whether the response is valid. The decision of the Quiz Master is final. If the question has incorrect information in it, it will be thrown out and another will be substituted.
- Only a captain may argue a question’s validity. In any case, the Quiz Master’s decision is final.
- Answers to all questions will be accepted only from the captain of the team. Other responses will be ignored.

## 7. FOULS:

- Team members are allowed to talk to each other anytime after a team has responded by striking the button. However, excessive noise or talking from any team or fans during the other team’s turn will result in a deduction of 10 points per violation.
- A 10-point penalty will be given to any team who strikes the buzzer after, “*Question Number #*” but before, “*Question,*”

## 8. TIME OUTS:

- Each team will have a 1 minute time out per match. Time outs will only be granted between questions.

## 9. REGISTRATION & AWARDS:

- The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place district receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place district receiving the least.

**FEES - \$15 per team**

# CHESS TOURNAMENT

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## TOURNAMENT RULES:

- Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of Regional Celebrate Life in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate.
- Age Divisions: Early Youth 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade; Senior Youth 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Each district is allowed one participant in each division.
- Each district may select two alternates (one per age division). Alternates names must be submitted when registering for Regional Celebrate Life (space is available on the Chess Registration form). Alternates are only eligible to attend/participate in RCL when replacing a team member who is unable to attend/participate in Regional Celebrate Life.
- The Regional Chess Director shall serve/appoint someone to serve as the arbiter (*judge*).
- It shall be a double elimination tournament (*bracket following*). Play begins at 2:00 P.M. on Thursday in the Larsen Fine Arts Center.
- Play shall be governed by the FIDE Laws of Chess except where they are overridden by the following Laws of “*Rapid play*”:
  - All the moves must be made in a 30-minute time period or less.
  - Players do not need to record the moves.
  - Players may only use one hand in making their moves. Once they have touched a piece, they must move that piece (if that piece has a legal move). The hand in which they move their pieces is the same hand they must use when operating their clock (only one hand allowed).
  - When a player has made three moves, no claim can be made regarding incorrect piece placement, orientation of the chessboard or clock setting.
  - The arbiter shall make a ruling according to Articles 4 and 10 of the FIDE Laws of Chess, only if requested to do so by one or both players.
  - The flag is considered to have fallen when a player to that effect has made a valid claim. The arbiter shall refrain from signaling a flag fall.
  - To claim a win on time, the claimant must stop both clocks and notify the arbiter. For the claim to be successful the claimant’s flag must remain up and his opponent’s flag down after the clocks have been stopped.
  - If both flags have fallen, the game is drawn.
- A player failing to arrive forfeits any game (not started within 15 minutes of its posted time).
- Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place individual in each age division receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place individual in each age division receiving the least.
- A random draw of tournament play will take place prior to Regional Celebrate Life.
- The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.

**FEE - \$4.00 per entry**

# BASKETBALL

**BASKETBALL DIRECTOR:**

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## GENERAL RULES:

### (Coaches meeting Thurs 10:15)

- ⇒ The official bb rules of the Illinois High School Association shall be followed for the bb competition.
- ⇒ Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12th grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district.
- ⇒ Each district may have two teams, one male and one female, whose participants are in the 7<sup>th</sup>- 12th grade of school. Each team roster shall consist of a maximum of twelve (12) players, plus coach(s).
- ⇒ Each district may select two alternates per team. Their names must be submitted when registering for *Regional Celebrate Life* (space is available on the Basketball Registration form). Alternates are only eligible to attend/participate in RCL when replacing a team member who is unable to attend/participate in RCL.
- ⇒ Districts are to base their team selection on a method of their own choosing.
- ⇒ All teams are amenable to their District President, the Basketball Director and the *Regional Celebrate Life* Director. **The best of sportsmanship is expected.**
- ⇒ Uniforms will be determined by each district NYI Council in harmony with the district superintendent and the rules of conduct of Olivet. Shirts and shoes are to be worn at all times. **Uniforms should be of matching color and numbered, front and back.**
- ⇒ Each game will be played in two (16) minute halves with the clock stopping only on the whistle during the last two minutes.
- ⇒ A minimum (3) minute warm-up period will be allowed before the start of each game. Warm-ups should begin immediately upon the conclusion of the previous game.
- ⇒ Any team not able to begin play with at least 4 players, within five (5) minutes of the assigned starting time, will forfeit the game.
- ⇒ This is a double elimination/bracket tourney.
- ⇒ No tournament seeding. A random draw of tournament play will take place prior to *Regional Celebrate Life*.
- ⇒ When reporting to enter the game, remain on the X in front of the scorers table until waved in by the official.
- ⇒ Pull-over shirts are available to those teams without shirts. If worn, however, T-shirts must be worn under the pull-over shirts.
- ⇒ Overtime: Two (2) minutes. One extra timeout will be assessed to each team for each overtime.
- ⇒ The “home” team is the top team on the bracket. If both teams are in white, the visiting team must wear dark pullovers. If both teams are in dark, the “home” team must wear gold pullovers.
- ⇒ Three (3) timeouts per team per game is allowed. One additional timeout per overtime.
- ⇒ Upon reception of a technical foul by a player, the player will immediately be removed from play for 10 minutes of the game clock.
- ⇒ A player receiving two technical fouls in one game will be removed from play for the remainder of the game. At the discretion of the Basketball Director and/or *Regional Celebrate Life* Director, the player may be removed from play for the remainder of the tournament. Or, the player may be penalized additional playing time during the following game.
- ⇒ Any action that is perceived by an official to be taunting or “*celebration to taunt*” will result in a technical foul against the bench.
- ⇒ Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place team receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place team receiving the least.
- ⇒ Referees will be paid \$20.00 per game. Scorekeepers/timekeepers will be appointed by the tournament director and paid \$7 per game.
- ⇒ The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.

**FEE -\$130 per team**

# HOT SHOT & FREE THROW

## HOT SHOTS:

### Points are earned in the following manner:

- Two points for each basket made beyond the three-point (*high school or college*) line. If the participant's foot (feet) touches the line while the shot is being taken, the basket will only be credited for one point. This decision is solely dependent upon the official's judgment at that time.
- One point is credited for each basket made within or on the three-point line. No more than one shot within the three-point line may be taken in succession. This is to eliminate a participant from shooting only lay ups or short shots to score.
- The time limit will be one minute (*60 seconds*). This is to be kept by a regular game clock, in a place large enough for participants and officials to see, as well as a benefit for spectators. The top five finalists (*or more if there is a tie*) from the elimination round in each category will compete in a final round with each of their rounds being added together to determine the top four finalists. In the case of a tie, each contestant will shoot again with 30 seconds on the time clock and the winner will be selected.

## MISCELLANEOUS DETAILS:

- All participants should use the same basketball.
- There will be a timekeeper and a line judge who will keep score.
- A district team is made up of four persons: An early youth male and female (*7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade*) and a senior youth male and female (*9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade*).
- Each district may select two alternates per division (one male and one female in each age division). This is allowed for both Hot Shot and Free Throw. Their names must be submitted when registering for Regional Celebrate Life (space is available on the Basketball Registration form). Alternates are only eligible to attend/participate in RCL when replacing a team member who is unable to attend/participate in RCL.
- Competition will begin Friday night at 10:30 P.M. in the main gym (McHie).

## FREE THROW:

- Each division will shoot 15 free throws.
- Those who make at least 10 of their first 15 attempts will shoot another 10 free throws. The top four totals will place.
- In the event of a tie, those involved will shoot a sudden death of one free throw per turn, until a winner is determined.
- All participants should use the same basketball. Official scorekeepers will be provided.

## GENERAL RULES AND REGISTRATION:

- Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district.
- A district team is made up of four persons: An early youth male and female (*7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade*), and a senior youth male and female (*9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade*).
- Competition will follow the Hot Shot competition in the main gym. Basketball attire may be worn.
- The 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> place persons in each division will receive a medal. Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place individual in each division receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place individual in each division receiving the least.
- The officials will be supplied by ONU. Questions are to be directed to the Basketball or RCL Director.
- The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.
- The grade of the participants at the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* will determine the age group in which they are placed.

**FEE - \$15 per team**



# BOWLING

**BOWLING DIRECTOR:**  
**Christina Fischer**  
Cell: 847-951-2154

## GENERAL RULES:

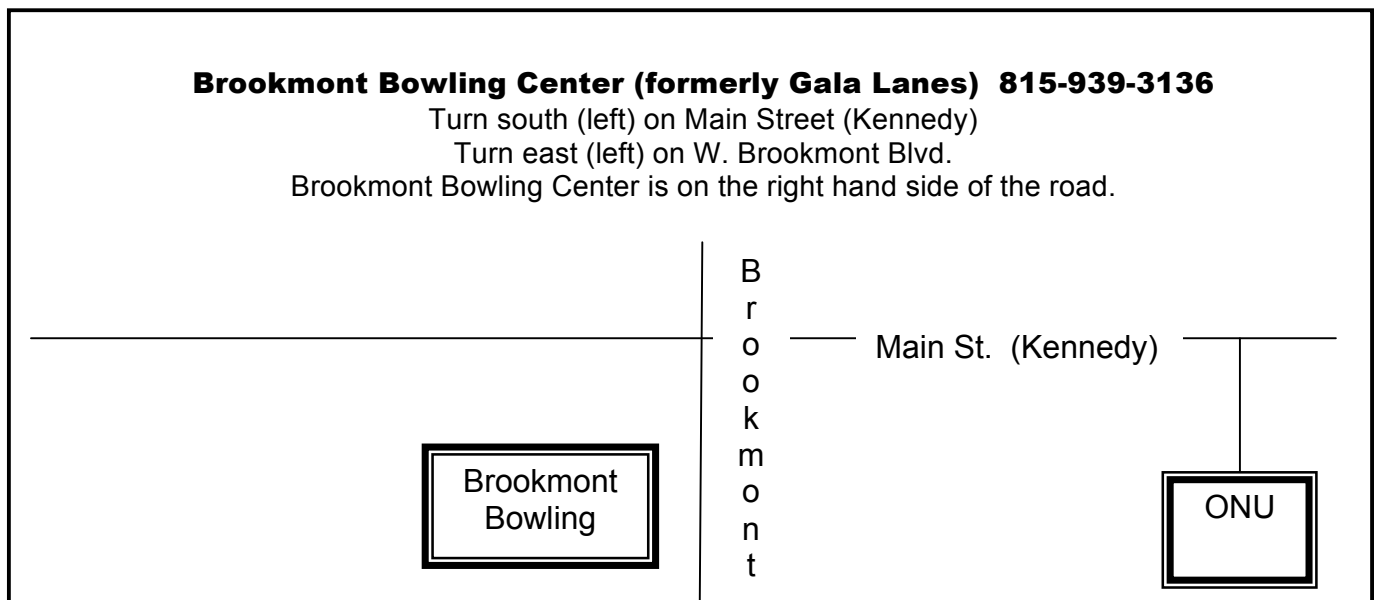
- Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate.
- Each team shall consist of four people: 2 men and 2 women.
- The bowling tournament scoring shall be the total number of pins in three games (or lines).
- Bowlers will bowl in league style, switching lanes after each frame.
- Medals will be awarded as follows: Top Male, Top Female, 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> place winning teams.
- Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place team receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place team receiving the least.
- The event takes place on Thursday from 2:00-4:00 P.M. All bowlers are to register/warm-up at the bowling alley at 1:45. **Bowlers must have their own transportation to and from the bowling alley.**
- Each district may select two alternates (one male and one female). Alternates names must be submitted when registering for Regional Celebrate Life (space is available on the Bowling Registration form). Alternates are only eligible to attend/participate in RCL when replacing a team member who is unable to attend/participate in Regional Celebrate Life.
- The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Brookmont Bowling Center (formerly Gala Lanes) 815-939-3136**

Turn south (left) on Main Street (Kennedy)

Turn east (left) on W. Brookmont Blvd.

Brookmont Bowling Center is on the right hand side of the road.



**FEE - \$55 per team**

# GOLF

**Golf Director:**  
**Doug Hewett**

Home: 734-981-1291; Cell: 734-645-9906

## GENERAL RULES:

- Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12th grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May.
- The tournament director will work with Olivet to select the appropriate golf course in the area based on cost and tournament requirements. (Aspen Ridge 1763 East 4000N Rd Bourbonnais, IL 60914, 815-939-1742)
- Each district may enter one golf team to participate in the golf scramble; consisting of no more than four individuals and no less than two. Any combination of male or female can make up a team.
- The scramble will take place on Thursday at 2:30 P.M. At 1:30 P.M. all golfers/coaches/drivers/scorekeepers must meet outside of Birchard gym to pick up maps, meet their rides, and hear necessary instructions.
- Golfers must prearrange their own transportation to and from the golf course. Additional maps may be picked up in the Tiger Den of Parrott Convocation Center anytime on Thursday.
- In case of inclement weather, backup times will be announced and posted in the Tiger Den.
- Each district with participants entered will garner Grand Trophy points. The lowest scoring district will receive Grand Trophy points with the first place district receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place district receiving the least in each category. Medals will be awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> place winning teams.
- The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.

## TOURNAMENT RULES:

- The tournament shall be a nine-hole **BEST BALL SCRAMBLE**. Some exceptions to these rules may be posted/discussed at the course on the day of the regional event.
- After a brief meeting at the golf course, the tournament shall begin with a shotgun start.
- Each district is required to provide a scorekeeper that will be allowed to drive a cart furnished by Celebrate Life. No carts shall be used by the golfers.
- Tee shots will be taken from the following locations: Males – furthest back; Females – furthest forward.
- After each member of the team hits their shot, the team shall decide what the “best” shot is, collect the other balls, and play subsequent shots from that location. All shots must be taken from as close to the “best” ball location as possible. In addition, all shots must be taken from the same terrain (tee, fairway, rough, fringe, green, sand, etc.).
- Where a team does not consist of four individuals, one additional shot may be used by a member of the team. The “extra” shot must be used on a rotating basis by an individual for a complete hole. The individual with the “extra” shot for a given hole must be the first and last individual to hit at each shot on that hole (e.g. the “extra” shot CANNOT be taken by the same individual sequentially as to gain an immediate advantage).
- The scorekeeper shall record the score for the hole and the number of putts taken from the green (not the fringe). Any putt taken by any individual counts as a putt.
- Tie breakers will first be based on the toughest handicap hole in descending order until a winner is determined. If a winner cannot be declared using this method, the total number of putts will be used.

**FEE: \$20 per entry**

# TABLE TENNIS

**Table Tennis Director:**  
Jeff Street  
765-621-2328  
aaatroph1@aol.com

## **GENERAL RULES:**

- Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate.
- Regional table tennis competition takes place in the **Warming House**.
- There shall be four table tennis players allowed from each district as follows:
  - One male single representative
  - One female single representative
  - Two mixed doubles representatives
- Each district may select one alternate for the male's singles and one alternate for the females singles. Two alternates may be selected for the mixed doubles (one male, one female). Alternates names must be submitted when registering for Regional Celebrate Life (space is available on the Table Tennis Registration form). Alternates are only eligible to attend/participate in RCL when replacing a team member who is unable to attend/participate in RCL.
- Neither the male nor female singles may participate in the mixed doubles team due to scheduling conflicts.
- Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place individual in each category receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place individual in each category receiving the least.
- It shall be a double elimination tourney (*see the bracket which follows*).
- Each entrant should have his/her own paddle. Standard balls will be used.
- The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.

## **TOURNAMENT RULES: (The official USATT rules shall be followed):**

- A game shall be won by the player or pair first scoring **11** points unless both players or pairs score 10 points; then the game shall be won by the first player or pair subsequently gaining a lead of 2 points.
- A match shall consist of the best of 3 out of 5 games.

## **THE ORDER OF SERVING, RECEIVING AND ENDS:**

- The right to choose the initial order of serving, receiving and ends shall be decided by the toss of a coin and the winner may choose to serve or to receive first or to start at a particular end.
- When one player or pair has chosen to serve or to receive first or to start at a particular end, the other player or pair shall have the other choice.
- After each **2** points have been scored, the receiving player or pair shall become the serving player or pair and so on until the end of the game, unless both players or pairs score 10 points or the expedite system is in operation, when the sequences of serving and receiving shall be the same but each player shall serve for only 1 point in turn.
- In each game of a doubles match, the pair having the right to serve first shall choose which of them will do so and in the first game of a match the receiving pair shall decide which of them will receive first; in subsequent games of the match, the first server having been chosen, the first receiver shall be the player who served to him in the preceding game.
- In doubles, at each change of service, the previous receiver shall become the server and the partner of the previous server shall become the receiver.

# TABLE TENNIS (continued)

- The player or pair serving first in a game shall receive first in the next game of the match, and in the last possible game of a doubles match the pair due to receive next shall change their order of receiving when first one pair scores **5** points.
- The player or pair starting at one end in a game shall start at the other end in the next game of the match, and in the last possible game of a match the players or pairs shall change ends when first one player or pair scores **5** points.

## OUT OF ORDER OF SERVING, RECEIVING OR ENDS:

- If a player serves or receives out of turn, play shall be interrupted by the umpire as soon as the error is discovered. Play shall resume with those players serving and receiving who should be server and receiver respectively at the score that has been reached, according to the sequence established at the beginning of the match and, in doubles, to the order of serving chosen by the pair having the right to serve first in the game during which the error is discovered.
- If the players have not changed ends when they should have done so, play shall be interrupted by the umpire as soon as the error is discovered. Play shall resume with the players at the ends at which they should be at the score that has been reached, according to the sequence established at the beginning of the match.
- In any circumstances, all points scored before the discovery of an error shall be reckoned.

## THE EXPEDITE SYSTEM:

- Except where both players or pairs have scored at least **9 points**, the expedite system shall come into operation if a game is unfinished after **10 minutes'** play or at any earlier time at the request of both players or pairs.
- If the ball is in play when the time limit is reached, play shall be interrupted by the umpire and shall resume with service by the player who served in the rally that was interrupted.
- If the ball is not in play when the time limit is reached, play shall resume with service by the player who received in the preceding rally.
- Thereafter, each player shall serve for 1 point in turn until the end of the game and if the receiving player or pair makes 13 good returns the receiver shall score a point.
- Once introduced, the expedite system shall remain in operation until the end of the match.

## A GOOD SERVICE:

- The server shall project the ball near vertically upwards, without imparting spin, so that it rises at least 16cm after leaving the palm of the free hand and then falls without touching anything before being struck.
- As the ball is falling, the server shall strike it so that it touches first his court and then, after passing over or around the net assembly, touches directly the receiver's court; in doubles, the ball shall touch successively the right half court of server and receiver.
- From the start of service until it is struck, the ball shall be above the level of the playing surface and behind the server's end line, and it shall not be hidden from the receiver by any part of the body or clothing of the server or his doubles partner.
- Whenever there is a clear failure to comply with the requirements for a good service, no warning shall be given and the receiver shall score a point.

## GOOD RETURN:

- The ball, having been served or returned, shall be struck so that it passes over or around the net assembly and touches the opponent's court, either directly or after touching the net assembly.

## THE ORDER OF PLAY

- In singles, the server shall first make a good service, the receiver shall then make a good return

# TABLE TENNIS (continued)

and thereafter, server and receiver alternately shall each make a good return.

- In doubles, the server shall first make a good service, the receiver shall then make a good return, the partner of the server shall then make a good return, the partner of the receiver shall then make a good return and thereafter, each player in turn, in that sequence, shall make a good return.

**LET:** The rally shall be a let (let = the result is not scored)

- if in service, the ball, in passing over or around the net assembly, touches it, provided the service is otherwise good or the ball is obstructed by the receiver or his partner; a player *obstructs* the ball if he, or anything he wears or carries, touches it in play when it is above or travelling towards the playing surface and has not passed beyond his end line, not having touched his court since last being struck by his opponent.
- if the service is delivered when the receiving player or pair is not ready, provided that neither the receiver nor his partner attempts to strike the ball;
- if failure to make a good service or a good return or otherwise to comply with the Laws is due to a disturbance outside the control of the player;
- if play is interrupted by the umpire or assistant umpire.

**PLAY MAY BE INTERRUPTED:**

- to correct an error in the order of serving, receiving or ends;
- to introduce the expedite system;
- to warn or penalize a player;
- because the conditions of play are disturbed in a way which could affect the outcome of the rally.

**A POINT:** Unless the rally is a let, a player shall score a point

- if his opponent fails to make a good service;
- if his opponent fails to make a good return;
- if, after he has made a good service or a good return, the ball touches anything other than the net assembly before being struck by his opponent;
- if the ball passes beyond his end line without touching his court, after being struck by his opponent;
- if his opponent obstructs the ball;
- if his opponent strikes the ball twice successively;
- if his opponent, or anything his opponent wears or carries, moves the playing surface;
- if his opponent, or anything his opponent wears or carries, touches the net assembly;
- if his opponent's free hand touches the playing surface;
- if a doubles opponent strikes the ball out of the sequence established by the first server and first receiver;
- as provided under the expedite system.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

- Players may be coached during a match only between games. Play is continuous except for breaks of no more than 2 minutes at the end of a game.
- The team failing to arrive will forfeit any game that is not started within 15 minutes of its posted time.
- A random draw of tournament play will take place prior to Regional Celebrate Life.

**FEE - \$25 per district**

# TENNIS

Tennis Director:  
Kati Gerstenberger  
Cell: 269-568-5284

**TOURNAMENT RULES:** (Coaches or CL Director meeting on the courts at 2:00 P.M, Thurs.)

**This event will be scheduled in four (4) divisions:**

1. Early youth male singles (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade)
  2. Early youth female singles (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade)
  3. Senior youth male singles (9<sup>th</sup>-12th grade)
  4. Senior youth female singles (9<sup>th</sup>-12th grade)
- ❑ If a district chooses to have their play-offs prior to RCL, they may select a total of 4 alternates (one for early youth male, one for early youth female, one for senior youth male, one for senior youth female). Alternates names must be submitted when registering for Regional Celebrate Life (space is available on the Tennis Registration form). Alternates are only eligible to attend/participate in RCL when replacing a team member who is unable to attend/participate in Regional Celebrate Life.
  - ❑ Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12th grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate.
  - ❑ Each player should provide his/her own equipment.
  - ❑ Each player will provide three (3) new cans of balls (*optic yellow*) for the tournament.
  - ❑ Net and line judges will be supplied from those participating in the tournament. Game officiating **must** be done by each player **immediately following** his/her matches. **Failure to do so may result in a district penalty.**
  - ❑ It shall be a double elimination tourney on the bracket, which follows in this handbook.
  - ❑ All participants signing/qualifying at the District level for Regional Tennis must participate at RCL once arriving. Failure to do so may result in a district penalty.
  - ❑ Each district's representative will be determined through a single elimination playoff (*Thursday 2:15-7:00 P.M.*). Each district is responsible for determining their district champion (*thru whatever play-off method they so choose*).
  - ❑ IHSAA rules will be followed during the competition.
  - ❑ A match shall consist of one pro-set to eight. A maximum of 45 minutes per match is allowed. (Except in the semi-final and final matches.)
  - ❑ Players may be coached during a match only **between** games. Play is continuous except for breaks of **no more than 2 minutes at the end of a game.**
  - ❑ The player failing to arrive **will forfeit** any game that is not started within **15 minutes** of its posted time.
  - ❑ Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place individual in each category receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place individual in each category receiving the least.
  - ❑ A random draw of tournament play will take place prior to Regional Celebrate Life.
  - ❑ The tournament is subject to change in the case of rain. Participants and coaches are to check in at the Tiger Den and on the courts every ½ hour for updates.
  - ❑ The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.

FEE - \$4 per entry

# SOCCER

Soccer Director  
Brittany Hengesh  
Cell: 734-306-1286  
bhengesh@olivet.edu

**AGE:** Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12th grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district.

## **GENERAL RULES: (Soccer meeting: Tiger Den, 9:30 A.M., Thurs)**

- ❖ Rules of play are governed by the FIFA Laws of the Game with noted modifications.
- ❖ Field: 80x 40 yards. Games will consist of two 16-minute halves (*running time except for injuries*) separated by a five-minute half time period. A shoot out will settle ties. Each team is to furnish two guys and a girl or two girls and a guy for the shoot out.
- ❖ Teams must be ready to play at the appointed time. A 10-minute grace period is allowed before a forfeit is declared. Forfeits will be recorded as a 1-0 score.
- ❖ Teams will consist of eight players on the field (*five men and three women*) and a maximum of six substitutes for a total roster of 14. The minimum number of players required to begin a game is six (*four men and two women*).
- ❖ Substitutions are unlimited in number but may only be made on the substituting teams own corner kick or throw in. Either team may substitute on a goal kick, after a goal has been scored, at half time, or if a player is injured.
- ❖ Each district may select two alternates per team. Their names must be submitted when registering for *Regional Celebrate Life* (space is available on the Soccer Registration form). Alternates are only eligible to attend/participate in RCL when replacing a team member who is unable to attend/participate in RCL.
- ❖ At the beginning of the game, the beginning of the second half, and after a goal is scored, another goal may not be scored until a male and a female player have played the ball.
- ❖ A goal scored by a male count as one goal; one scored by a female count as two goals.
- ❖ A penalty kick taken from the penalty spot must be taken by a female player/scored as one goal.
- ❖ All players must wear shin guards. Slide tackling is not allowed. Cleats with sharp edges or points will not be allowed.
- ❖ Rings, bracelets, necklaces, earrings, or any other apparel or equipment considered to be dangerous by the referee are not allowed.
- ❖ A player receiving a yellow caution card must be substituted immediately. Two yellow cards in one game will result in the player being sent off and disqualified for the remainder of the game. The player may be replaced and the team does not play shorthanded.
- ❖ A player receiving a red card will be sent off immediately, may not be substituted and will be disqualified from further competition.
- ❖ Referees will be appointed by the tournament directors and paid according to their level of responsibilities. Two referees will normally be used per game. The District coaches may assist with these responsibilities, if needed.
- ❖ A random draw of tournament play will take place prior to *Regional Celebrate Life*.
- ❖ Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place team receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place team receiving the least.
- ❖ Tournament is subject to change due to severe weather. In this case, check at the Tiger Den on the ½ hour for game updates.
- ❖ The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.

**FEE - \$130 per team**

# VOLLEYBALL

**AGE:** Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district.

**GENERAL RULES:** (Coaches meeting Thurs., 10:00 A.M., Birchard Gym)

The Official Volleyball Rules of the Illinois High School Association shall be followed.

Each district may have two teams, one male and one female. Districts are to base their team on a method of their own choosing. All teams are amenable to their district council and sponsors.

Referees will be paid \$7.50 per match.

- ❖ Each district NYI council, in harmony with the Regional Council and the Superintendent, will determine uniforms with the district superintendent and the rule of conduct of Olivet. Shirts and shoes are to be worn at all times. Uniforms should be of matching color and numbered, front and back. Spandex pants/shorts will not be permitted. Failure to comply will result in possible suspension, or forfeit of match.
- ❖ Scorekeepers/timekeepers will be appointed by the tournament director and paid \$5 per match. Two line judges will be used; provided by volunteers from other teams. The districts' coaches can assist with this responsibility.
- ❖ Each team shall consist of a maximum of 12 members, plus coaches. Any team not able to begin play with 6 players within five minutes of the starting time will forfeit the game.
- ❖ Teams will **not** be given court time to warm up. Warm ups may take place in the Turf room or the racquetball courts.
- ❖ Each district may select two alternates per team. Their names must be submitted when registering for Regional Celebrate Life (space is available on the Volleyball Registration form). Alternates are only eligible to attend/participate in RCL when replacing a team member who is unable to attend/participate in RCL.
- ❖ Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place team receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place team receiving the least.
- ❖ This shall be a pool play tournament (2 pools; purple and gold) followed by a single elimination **CHAMPIONSHIP** and **CONSOLATION** play off; best of 3 with the 3<sup>rd</sup> game being played to 15 as a tie breaker. In the pool play tournament, placement is determined by last year's finish (top four teams). **The remaining 7 teams will be randomly placed.** Placement in the Championship/Consolation playoff is determined by the pool play outcome. The top 3 districts from each pool will play in the Championship Bracket. The last three and two districts from each pool will play in the Consolation Bracket.
- ❖ In the event of a tie, the total loss points from pool play will be subtracted from the total win points to determine the placement.
- ❖ Play will be rally score to 21 with a cap of 25. Pool play will be 2 games. During the serve, if the ball hits the net and goes over, play will continue.
- ❖ If it is known prior to the start of the tournament that fewer than 11 teams have entered, the bracketing will be based on the actual number of teams participating.
- ❖ The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.



# 5,000-METER RUN

**5,000 Meter Run Director: Wendy Parsons; (C) 312-343-0121**

**GENERAL RULES:** (Registration on Thursday at 7:00-9:00 p.m., McHie Lobby) Friday-warm-up at 7:30a.m. and Race will begin at 8:00. Race will begin at the SLRC.

This event will be structured into four age divisions:

1. Early youth (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade)  
Male & Female
2. Senior youth (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)  
Male & Female

- Competition is open to any number of participants from a district, if that district so desires. Some districts may have a timed 5K Run prior to Regional Celebrate Life to determine their participants.
- Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district.
- Each participant assumes his/her own physical liability.
- This is a competitive event, like all others. It is not to be used as a “Free Pass” to attend Regional Celebrate Life. Failure to register and run the day of the Regional race (unless having received a verbal excuse from a participant’s CL Director) may result in a district penalty.
- The marathon will cover 5,000 meters (*or 3.1 miles*). This is a timed **RUNNING** event. The race will officially end after one hour.
- Register in the lobby of Birchard Gymnasium at 11:00 A.M. on Friday. A roll call will be made of all participants having signed up at the district level. At the regional level, those not registered and ready to run at the time of roll call will be noted.
- The race begins promptly at noon. It will end at 1:00 P.M. sharp.
- Each district with participants entered will garner Grand Trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place district receiving the most the 11<sup>th</sup> place receiving the least. (The top five individual times from each district, regardless of age or gender, will be added together and points awarded accordingly-see Grand Trophy Scoring System in handbook).
- The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>

**There shall be 16 medals awarded:**

1. Early Youth Male (1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> place)
2. Senior Youth Male (1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> place)
3. Early Youth Female (1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> place)
4. Senior Youth Female (1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> place)

**FEE - \$4 per entry**

# DODGEBALL

Dodgeball Director: Drew Benson

Cell: 815-370-4213

**AGE:** Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Each District President is responsible for who may/may not participate from their district.

**GENERAL RULES:** (Coaches meeting Thurs., 10:00 A.M., Birchard Gym; back wall)

- The game shall be played between two teams of 6 players. One other person will be available as a substitute. Substitutes may enter the game only during timeouts or in the case of injury. A substitute is not a player eliminated, he/she must be the 7<sup>th</sup> player at the start of the game.
- The games will be played indoors at the Birchard Gymnasium.
- The playing field shall be the boundary of the basketball court, divided into two (2) equal sections by a center boundary line.
- Each district will garner grand trophy points with the 1<sup>st</sup> place team receiving the most and the 11<sup>th</sup> place team receiving the least.

## THE GAME:

- The object of the game is to eliminate all opposing players by getting them "OUT". This may be done by:
  - Hitting an opposing player with a thrown ball.
  - Catching a ball thrown by your opponent before it touches the ground or back wall (includes deflected balls).
  - Causing an opponent to drop a live ball as a result of contact by another thrown live ball. (This usually occurs when a ball is being used as a shield to block a thrown ball.)
  - An opposing player stepping out of bounds. (To avoid getting hit and not because he or she is retrieving a ball - in which case you have 5 seconds to retrieve a ball, and come immediately back into the playing field.)
  - If a person deflects a thrown ball with another ball, they cannot get out (even if they are hit by the deflected ball).
  - If someone catches the deflected ball, the person throwing the ball is out.
  - If a team has more players and all the balls, they will have 10 seconds to throw a ball, or a player will be eliminated. Any ball hitting the back wall is dead (as if it hit the floor). If a ball hits you and then it hits the wall, you are out. If the ball hits the wall then you, it is a dead ball.
- A ball laying on the floor shall be considered part of the floor.
- The game begins by placing the dodge balls along the center line. Players then take a position at their back end line. Following a signal by the official, teams may approach the centerline to retrieve the balls. Sliding IS NOT permitted. This signal officially starts the contest.

## RUSH RULE:

Each and every ball retrieved at the opening rush must first be taken to the back wall before it may be legally thrown at an opponent. Sliding is not permitted; you must approach the center line under control. If you cross the line, you are out.

# Dodgeball (cont)

## WINNING THE GAME:

The first team to legally eliminate all opposing players will be declared the winner. A 7-minute time limit has been established for each game. If neither team has been eliminated at the end of the 7 minutes, the team with the greater number of players remaining will be declared the winner. All balls are dead (even if they are in the air) when the 7 minute horn sounds. In the case of an equal number of players remaining after regulation, a 3-minute sudden-death overtime period will be played (three-on-three, first man out).

## TIME-OUTS & SUBSTITUTIONS:

Each team will be allowed one (1) 60 second timeout per game. At this time a team may substitute players into the game. Substitutes may also enter the match between games.

## RULE ENFORCEMENT:

Players will be expected to rule whether or not they were eliminated by a legal hit. All contests will be supervised by at least three field monitors. The field monitors' responsibilities will be to rule whether or not hits they observe are legal. **THE FIELD MONITOR'S DECISION IS FINAL – THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS.**

## BOUNDARIES:

1. During play, all players must remain within the boundary lines.
2. Players must only leave from the back line to retrieve balls and must return to the court by the back lines.
3. A player may be handed a ball, provided the player receiving the ball remains completely within their teams field boundaries. Players may be passed a ball while standing out of bounds. Spectators CANNOT pass balls.
4. A player shall not:
  - a. Have any part of their body contact the playing surface on or over the sideline.
  - b. Enter or re-enter the field through their sidelines.
  - c. Leave the playing field to avoid being hit, or attempt to catch a ball.
  - d. Have any part of their body cross the center line and make contact with the ground on their opponents' side of the court. This rule includes the rush at the beginning of the game.

**Penalty:** Player will be declared out.

**Note:** A player not immediately re-entering the playing area may be declared out.

## MATCH PLAY:

Matches will be decided using a "best-of-three" format in which the first team to win two (2) games will be declared the winner.

<b>FEE - \$15 per team</b>
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# HOME RUN DERBY

Homerun Derby Director: Jim Darling  
Cell: 815-370-4213

## GENERAL RULES AND REGISTRATION:

- This event will be scheduled in (4) divisions: early youth female (**EYF**), early youth male (**EYM**), senior youth female (**SYF**), and senior youth male (**SYM**).
- Competition is open to any number of participants from a district, if that district so desires. Participants must be in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade by the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* in May. Some districts may choose to have a predetermined method of choosing their participants prior to RCL. Otherwise, the competition field will be available to the districts prior to the official competition. The derby takes place on the Intramural Fields located behind the Higher Grounds Coffee Shop. For directions, come to the Tiger Den.
- A meeting for coaches takes place on the Intramural Field at 12:30 p.m. Friday.
- The Official Competition begins at 1:00 P.M. Friday starting with the SYM division lasting one hour and 15 minutes until 2:15 P.M. Subsequent divisions will compete in subsequent hours in the following order: EYM 2:15-3:30 P.M., SYF 3:30-4:45 P.M., EYF 4:45-6:00 P.M. These are the only times available for the competition, please plan accordingly and arrive on time.
- Participants arriving 15 minutes after the competition start time may be disqualified.
- The 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> place persons in each division will receive a medal. The 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> place persons in each division will receive a medal. Each district will garner grand trophy points with the highest scoring individual **from each district** per division receiving 1st place and the 11th place individual from each district per division receiving the least (each district may only receive one place per division).
- The registration form and entrance fee should be sent to your district president by April 1. The district president is then to follow the registration process as outlined on page 2 of this handbook. All completed forms and fees must be postmarked no later than April 16<sup>th</sup>.
- The grade of the participants at the time of *Regional Celebrate Life* will determine the age group in which they are placed.

## DERBY RULES:

- The Home Run Derby is a contest among participants to hit the most home runs.
- A home run is defined as a ball hit in the air in “fair play” beyond the following distances for each of the following divisions:  
SYM – 250 Feet; EYM – 210 Feet; SYF – 140 Feet; EYF – 110 Feet
- Baseballs shall be used for the boys division and softballs for the girls division.
- Participants are encouraged to bring their own bat. However, bats will be provided at RCL.
- There shall be one round of play per each division. Subsequent rounds per division will be used as tiebreakers (5 swings in the tiebreaker round).
- Each participant gets ten “outs” to hit as many home runs as possible, where an “out” is defined as any swing that is not a home run. Each participant shall receive a 3 “out” warm-up, but may choose to begin prior to using all 3 “outs”.

- **Marker flags are to be used for each contestant in round #1, marking their furthest hit. If no homeruns occur during round #1, the markers determine 1-11 with no tiebreaker round needed.**
- Each participant must provide their own pitcher.
- The participants or coaches for each division **must** shag balls during their competition hour.

**FEE - \$4 per entry**