



The Indicator

The Newsletter of the MBUA



Question: "How Do I get the "Big Game": Answer: All games are the "Big Game"

What Skills Does a Big Game Official Possess?

- ◆ An ability to run the game and not let the game run you
- ◆ Complete knowledge of the rules
- ◆ In good physical condition
- ◆ Has a "Feel" for the game
- ◆ A great partner
- ◆ A "coachable" official
- ◆ Always striving to get better
- ◆ Has a skilled game "presence"

How to turn off the Assigning Commissioner:

- ◆ Not keeping your Arbitersports.com calendar updated
- ◆ Not having your cell phone on
- ◆ Not having your MBUA roster with you
- ◆ Calling the assigner for directions to a field
- ◆ Not returning phone calls or e-mail
- ◆ Not checking your e-mail
- ◆ Not being on time
- ◆ Missing Assignments
- ◆ Question why 'you' are not getting the "Big Game." This is a sign of being selfish, no official is bigger than the game.

- ◆ Double-booking and then taking the self perceived "better assignment"
- ◆ Last minute turn backs on a constant basis
- ◆ Seeking your own replacement for assigned games

Items that Help the Assigning Commissioner Fill Games:

- ◆ Calling when the assigner needs help
- ◆ Calling to pick up extra games
- ◆ Filling in at the last moment

Show that you are easy to work with. Pledge to be a team player. Show that you are ethical and maintain professionalism. This will assist to "climb up the ladder."

All umpires should remember to:

- ◆ Be professional on and off the field
- ◆ Be properly groomed at game site
- ◆ Do not "hob knob" with coaches and administrators. This is not a social event, it is a paid assignment.
- ◆ Go to camps and clinics
- ◆ Working tourneys outside of the area to improve your skills, for example, going to Cooperstown.



Congratulations to 2011 Play-Off Umpires:

4A-1st round

- ◆ Walter Johnson vs. Blair-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Jim Sambataro and Dan Kenno**
- ◆ Springbrook vs. Richard Montgomery-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Hal Silverman and David Schardt**
- ◆ Wootton vs. Magruder-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Tony Iacone and Ian Spatz**
- ◆ Northwest vs. B-CC-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Dave Schaffel and Sandy Frank**
- ◆ Churchill vs. Paint Branch-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Jay O'Hare and Gary Dayton**
- ◆ Watkins Mills vs. Blake-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Matt Powers and Ryan Dahl**

3A-1st round

- ◆ Damascus vs. Einstein-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Doug Story and Jim Barnsley**
- ◆ Frederick vs. Northwood-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Tom Wheeler and Brendan Kneeland**
- ◆ Kennedy vs. Seneca Valley-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Tony Aliquo and John Hughes**

1A- 1st round

- ◆ Winters Mill vs. Poolesville
 - ◆ Umpires: **Paul Zimmerman and Ed Saah**

4A- Quarterfinal:

- ◆ Wootton vs. Sherwood
 - ◆ Umpires: **Jay O'Hare and Gary Dayton**
- ◆ Churchill vs. Richard Montgomery-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Tom Wheeler and Darren Harris**
- ◆ Walter Johnson vs. Gaithersburg-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Jim Sambataro and Kurt Muholland**
- ◆ B-CC vs. Whitman-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Dave Schaffel and Sandy Frank**

3A- Quarterfinal:

- ◆ Seneca Valley vs. Quince Orchard-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Tony Iacone and Ian Spatz**
- ◆ Frederick vs. Blake-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Hal Silverman and David Schardt**
- ◆ Damascus vs. Clarksburg-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Jim Barnsley and Doug Story**

2A- Quarterfinal:

- ◆ Middletown vs. Rockville-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Ed Saah and Paul Zimmerman**

3A- Semifinal:

- ◆ Frederick vs. Quince Orchard-
 - ◆ Umpires: **Jim Sambataro, Darren Harris, and Kurt Muholland**

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Congratulations to 2011 Play-Off Umpires:

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4A Semifinal:

- ♦ Whitman vs. Gaithersburg-
 - ♦ Umpires: Jay O'Hare, Gary Dayton, and Darren Harris
- ♦ Churchill vs. Sherwood-
 - ♦ Umpires: Tom Wheeler, Hal Silverman, and Dave Schaffel

4A- MPSSAA Semifinal at University of Maryland's Shipley Field:

- ♦ Westminster vs. Wise-
 - ♦ Umpires: Jay O'Hare, Tony Iacone, and Jim Sambataro

MCPS All-Star Game-

- ♦ Umpires: Tony Aliquo and Matt Powers

PVAC Quarterfinals:

- ♦ Hebrew Academy vs. Jewish Day School-
 - ♦ Umpires: Dan Kelly and Ryan Dahl
- ♦ Field School vs. Sandy Spring-
 - ♦ Umpires: Dan Kenno and Bob Phelan
- ♦ Grace Brethren vs. St. Anselm's-
 - ♦ Umpires: Harold Rodgers and Ed Saah

PVAC Semifinals:

- ♦ Jewish Day vs. St. Anselm's-
 - ♦ Umpires: Ed Saah and Tony Aliquo
- ♦ Covenant Life vs. Sandy Spring-
 - ♦ Umpires: John Hughes and Dan Kenno

VAC Final:

- ♦ Covenant Life vs. St. Anselm's Abbey-
 - ♦ Umpires: Tony Iacone, Ed Saah and Tony Aliquo.

PVAC All-Star Game:

- ♦ Umpires: Tony Iacone and Jim Sambataro

MISAL Semifinals:

- ♦ Grace Brethren vs. Spencerville:
 - ♦ Umpires: Bob Murphy and Kurt Muholland
- ♦ Yeshiva vs. Model:
 - ♦ Umpires: Al Prochnow and Ed Saah

PVAC Middle School Quarterfinals:

- ♦ Sandy Spring Friends vs. Jewish Day:
 - ♦ Umpires: Joe Spence and Al Prochnow
- ♦ Grace Brethren vs. Hebrew Academy:
 - ♦ Umpires: Roy Smith and Don Schmigel

PVAC Middle School Semifinals:

- ♦ Hebrew Acad. Vs. Covenant Life-
 - ♦ Umpires: Sean Franklin and Hal Silverman
- ♦ Sandy Spring Friends vs. St. Anselm's Abbey-
 - ♦ Umpires: Willie Jones and Roger Loos.

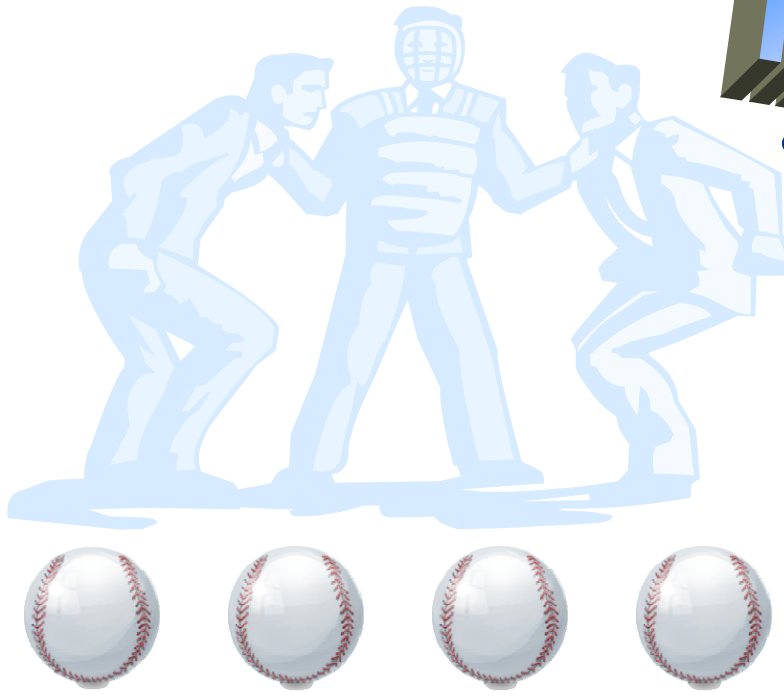
PVAC Middle School Final:

- ♦ Covenant Life vs. St. Anselm's-
 - ♦ Umpires: Harold Rodgers and Jim Sambataro



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We proudly provide top quality umpires throughout the greater Washington DC metropolitan area. Our services have been utilized by area baseball leagues since 1920. We service all ages and levels of baseball from Little League to High School to Adult leagues, primarily from March to November.

Important Notice About MPSSAA Insurance Coverage:

The 2010-11 MPSSAA annual dues year expires on June 30, 2011. The MPSSAA gives us the option to pick up our liability insurance coverage for the 2011-12 School Year effective July 1, 2011. The MBUA works straight through the first of November and we will continue to provide this important liability coverage to you. All MBUA umpires who are working "summer" ball will have insurance coverage deducted from their 2011 summer game fees. This applies to every umpire assigned by the MBUA to a game after the 2011 high school season. All dual members be charged the liability insurance fee.

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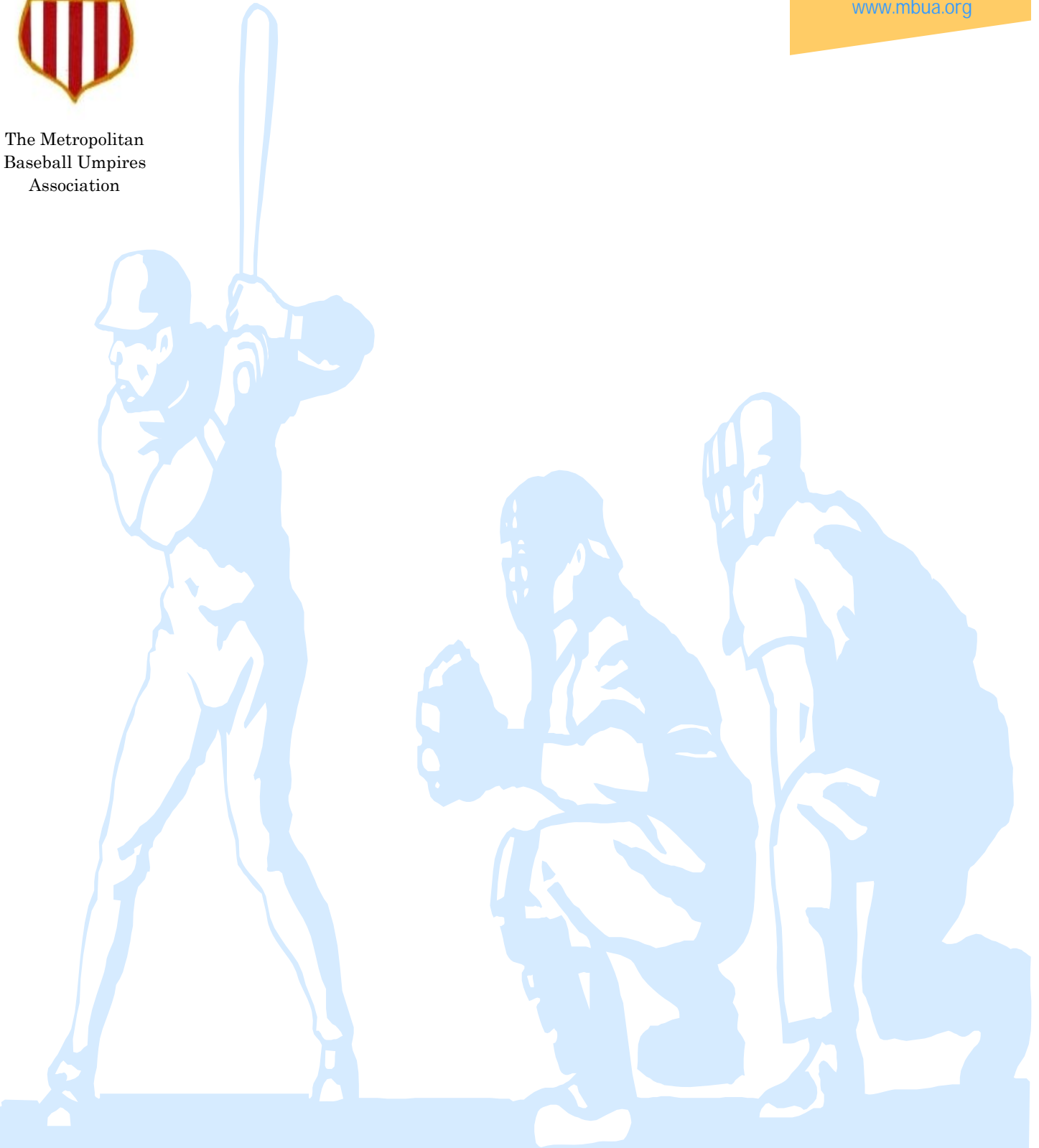


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