

REMINDERS for everyone regarding field maintenance. With your help, we can keep our parks clean and maintained for all of our organizations.

- 1- If you have not already, please email/send your spring game and practice schedule to the Township office. This schedule is needed to coordinate any rain dates into the schedules.
- 2- All parks have a shed or a job box with bases, lime and drags. The combination is the same at all fields—.
- 3- All sheds **MUST** be locked before you leave the field after a practice or game. The township grounds crew are finding many sheds unlocked in the morning and unfortunately an unlocked shed is an invitation to vandalism.
- 4- The park sheds are for storage of field bases, lime for the fields, field drags, infield dry mix and **TOWNSHIP EQUIPMENT ONLY**. The sheds **are not** for storage of your team balls, bats and/or other team gear. Please take your team gear with you after each practice and/or game.
- 5- Please put the bases back on the shelves in the sheds when you are finished using them. This will keep the shed neat and fit all the Township field equipment without a struggle.
- 6- If your organization has a tractor that has received permission to store it in one of our sheds, you must keep the key in the tractor.
- 7- **Dragging of the entire baseball/softball infields must be done after each game/practice!**
- 8- The Township does not supply gas for any of the tractors that the organizations are using to drag the fields, nor are we responsible for repair of the tractor or the gas in the organization's gas cans.
- 9- **NO DRIVING ON ANY TOWNSHIP FIELDS WITH ANY MOTOR VEHICLES.**
- 10- **No** soft tossing against the back stop and/or fence. The proper equipment for soft tossing is located in the shed and should be used, not the back stop or the fence.
- 11- The Township grounds' crew have been finding plastic bottles and garbage surrounding the players benches and spectators areas, which means that most teams are not cleaning up after themselves. Coaches are responsible for these areas; please remember that you need to clean up before you leave after each game and/or practice. The garbage cans will be emptied by our grounds crew in the morning.
- 12- And the most important reminder of all!

IF THE TOWNSHIP CLOSES THE FIELDS, THAT MEANS THE FIELDS ARE **CLOSED**. NO IF, AND OR BUT ABOUT IT, **THE FIELDS ARE CLOSED** UNTIL THE TOWNSHIP **SENDS OUT ANOTHER EMAIL TO OPEN THE FIELDS**.

Our primary concern has always been the safety of the players during a game or practice, but also the damage that would be done to the turf and the infield if they are played on wet and soggy fields.

Having fun is so essential to a successful youth **sports** experience, so let's keep our field maintenance to a minimum and give our kids a safe and sporty season!