

# Golden Seniors Softball Club of Sacramento

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Dear Golden Seniors Softball Club Member,

Seems like 2016 softball season has just ended and it's already time to think about the 2017 season. It will be here before you know it and there is much to be done. Attached, you will find the Renewal Application for the 2017 season. You will notice the application includes some significant changes. A separation of Club Dues and a lowering of Club Dues and all League Fees. Please look it over closely.

The membership renewal process will be much the same as last year. The Board has confirmed the Club Dues will remain at \$20 for the 2017 season for all Members, except Life Members. Life Members will continue to have their Club Dues waived. Other non-playing Members will only pay Club Dues. If you are a Non-Playing Life Member we ask that you return a completed application so we can confirm all your contact information. It also confirms that you would like to continue to receive the Dugout Chatter.

The league fees for each league will be as shown on the application. The difference in League Fees is based upon the cost to the Club in making those leagues available. Because the Club Dues is a separate amount all playing Members will pay the same fee for each league played regardless of how many leagues you play.

All renewing Club members must include their Club Dues and all League Fees with the application. If the application and all dues and fees are received by December 1, 2016, you will be guaranteed a place in the draft for each League you select. Applications received after that date will be added to draft lists on a first come first served basis determined by the date your complete application and full fees are received. If submitting the total amount of dues, along with the application creates a hardship, you may contact the Player Agent and attempt to make some other arrangements. In the past some Club members have been able to pay through installments and on some occasions a scholarship has been awarded by the Board. All dues and fees must be paid before you are eligible for a League draft or to play in any league.

If you decide to play in an additional league after you have submitted your application, call the Player Agent so you can change your application and be placed in that additional league. You must pay the additional league fees before you are eligible for the draft and/or begin play in that league.

Refunds have created confusion in the past. The Board has simplified the process to avoid the confusion. If a Club member does not play in a league for which they have paid the member may receive a full refund for that League. If a Club member requests a refund of their dues prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> game of the season in that league the member will receive a full refund. If a member is injured or decides to no longer play they may request a refund. A request submitted before May 15, 2017 will receive a prorated refund of league fees for scheduled games not yet played. Any request made after May 15<sup>th</sup> will receive no refund. To request a refund you must communicate with the Player Agent **in writing**. This provides a record of your request so the Club can track the request and respond. The Player Agent will arrange for the Club Treasurer to refund your money as appropriate.

Please forward your application and check to me as soon as possible. We will begin forming the league draft lists after the first of the year. The address of the Player Agent is on the back page of the application. Should you have any questions you may email, text or call me, in that order of preference using the contact info below.

Please be sure to complete page 3 of the application. It will be separated from the application upon receipt and will be used to assist in managing the Club. If you are volunteering to serve the Club you must include your name so that we may contact you.

Looking forward to a fun and safe 2017 season.

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