

**VALLEY INVITATIONAL
COLLEGE EXPOSURE
TOURNAMENT
JUNE 21-22, 2008**



The 2008 Valley Invitational Tournament has 128 18 Gold/18A/16A teams from Canada, Hawaii, California, Colorado, Washington, Montana, Idaho, and Oregon. The expectations are high for this year's Valley as college recruiters from around the country will once again be in Hillsboro to observe players with possible scholarship offers on the line.

We will have umpire coordinators (non umpiring coordinators) at each of the complexes to assist umpires, problem solves situations which may occur, adjust schedules and observe umpires performance during games. We expect umpire performance to be exceptionally good again this year. It's our goal at the Valley to have the very best umpire crew on each and every game. The Valley Invitational is not just another tournament; we have some of the very best umpires, teams, coaches and recruiters in the country.

Hotel accommodations will be provided, 2 umpires to a room. It will be my goal to have all the accommodations taken care of in advance so those of you who arrive early can check into your rooms. Our umpire game fee for this years Valley Invitational is \$29.00 per game.

The tournament begins Friday evening at the conclusion of the NFCA Exposure Camp, beginning with 10 All-Star Games at Hillsboro Stadium. Actual tournament play begins Saturday morning with the first games at 8:00 am and the last game at 6:00 pm. The uniform for this year will be Gray Slacks, ASA Navy and Powder Blue Shirts, ASA Jackets, ASA Hats and ASA Ball bags. **No Gray Ball Bags please.** Please take a suggestion from our National Staff and have slacks laundered.

If you need uniforms please contact your local associations or visit our Oregon ASA Umpire Website and order from our shopping cart www.oregonasaumpire.com and we will have your order when you arrive at the meeting Friday night. Please take the necessary steps to look sharp and be professional.

There will be an Umpire meeting, Friday evening June 20, 2008, time and location to be determined (TBD), this **meeting is required.** The reason for this meeting is to insure that all umpires have arrived safely, all hotel accommodations are squared away, receive

your tournament expectations, assignments and to answer any questions anyone may have.

We look forward in having each and every umpire here to umpire and have fun at this years Valley Invitational Tournament. It is my pleasure to help make this tournament the best for each of you to umpire. Please let me know of your participation so we can place your name in our tournament guide and reserve hotel rooms. If you have any questions or/and umpires requesting to umpire please do not hesitate to contact me either by email jagmrg@comcast.net or by phone at 503 580-6397.

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