

**Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, Inc.  
Northwest Louisiana Chapter**

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**THE SHREVEPORT PUBLIC ASSEMBLY AND RECREATION  
DEPARTMENT**

*Presents the*

***“Granddaddy of Them All”***

**DATES:**

**FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY**

**July 8, 9, 10, 2011**

**PLACE:**

**CARGILL and SOUTHERN HILLS PARKS**

**FEE:**

**\$ 225.00 - EACH TEAM**

**DEADLINE:**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 2011**

## **RULES & REGULATIONS:**

1. Tournament play will be governed by rules as written by The Amateur Softball Association of America (**ASAA**).
2. The Amateur Softball Association of America officials will officiate at all games.
3. Double Elimination Tournament:  
  
Men: DIVISION - I, II, III, and IV - CLASS: A, B, C, D, E
  - I. Class A – Open Unlimited Home Run
  - II. Class B & C – Three Home Run Limit
  - III. Class D- Two Home Run Limit
  - IV. Class E – One Home Run LimitAll home runs exceeding a home run limit is an out.  
Women: **OPEN**
4. AWARDS: **1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team Trophy in each division**  
**1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> Individual T-Shirts (Each Division).**
5. A one (1) hour or seven (7) inning limit on all games except Championship Games. All trophy games will be seven (7) innings without any time limit. However, run Rules will remain in effect.
6. Rosters shall not include more than twenty (20) players. No player may be added or substituted for another after a team's first game. Rosters must be presented to the Tournament Director at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of its first game.
7. In the event any team uses a player whose name does not appear on the **Official Roster**, the game shall be forfeited, provided it is discovered before the team(s) involved play their next game.
8. Home teams will be decided by the flip of a coin.
9. Team(s) should report to the official scorekeeper with lineups fifteen (15) minutes before each game. **GAME TIME IS FORFEIT TIME.** Teams must be ready to play at game time.
10. The fifteen (15) after four and ten (10) after five run rules will be in effect.
11. **MANAGERS OR THE COACH ONLY** may confer with **UMPIRES**. Players displaying unsportsmanlike conduct such as willfully throwing bats, abusive language, pushing umpire, causing unnecessary scenes, etc., **will be suspended** from further competition in the tournament. Any player so suspended must leave the playing area in one (1) minute or his/her team will forfeit the game.
12. Only the Amateur Softball Association of America (**ASAA**) **approved balls** will be utilized.

**THE BALLS MUST BE PURCHASED FROM THE SICKLE CELL DISEASE ASSOCIATION.** Any ball not purchased and stamped with the Sickle Cell Disease Association's stamp will be ruled **an illegal ball.** **THIS RULE WILL BE ENFORCED THROUGHOUT THE TOURNAMENT**

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:**

<b>HERMAN VITAL</b>	<b>318- 673-7540</b>	<b>WORK (day)</b>
<b>9029 Sundance Lane</b>	<b>318-795-0837</b>	<b>HOME (night)</b>
<b>Shreveport, LA 71106</b>	<b>318- 455-0188</b>	<b>CELL</b>

**REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION:**

Lillie J. Bradford or Carolyn Rhone 318-636-5300 / 318-636-5838 = Sickle Cell Office  
318-636-5382 = FAX

**THE FIRST TWO-HUNDRED (200) TEAMS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

**Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, Inc.**  
**Northwest Louisiana Chapter Annual Softball Tournament**  
July 8, 9, 10, 2011  
CARGILL and SOUTHERN HILLS PARKS

**“35<sup>th</sup> YEAR OF SOFTBALLING IT”**

**ENTRY FEE**  
**\$225.00**

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**TEAM REGISTRATION**

**Name of Team** \_\_\_\_\_ **Contact** \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle (1):** *Men / Women* \_\_\_\_\_ **Division/ Class** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone #** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail** \_\_\_\_\_

DEADLINE DATE FOR ENTERING THE TOURNAMENT IS  
**FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 2011 @ 12 MIDNIGHT**  
**MAIL ALL ENTRY FORMS TO:**

Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, Inc.  
Northwest Louisiana Chapter  
C/O Mrs. Lillie J. Bradford, Executive Director  
3658 Judson Street  
Shreveport, LA 71109

**NO PERSONAL CHECKS**

**Make Money Orders or Cashier Checks payable to:**  
**Sickle Cell Disease Association**

**ALL SOFTBALLS MUST BE PURCHASED FROM THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR**

**HOUSING INFORMATION**

Please contact one of the hotels listed. Be sure to let them know you are with **The Sickle Cell Tournament.**

Please forward your team registration packet on or before Friday, June 17, 2011. The address listed below should be used to mail your team's registration:

**TEAM REGISTRATION**

Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, Inc.  
**Attn: Mrs. Lillie J. Bradford, Executive Director**  
3658 Judson Street  
Shreveport, Louisiana 71109  
(318) 636-5300 or (318) 636-5838 (office)  
(318) 636-5382 (fax)

**Rooms are available for check in at 3:00 P.M. Check out time is 12:00 Noon. Cut off date for hotel registration is June 20, 2011 (3 weeks) prior to your arrival.**

Deposits will be refunded only if cancellation notice is given five (5) working days prior to arrival. All hotels will need authorization to charge your account for one night.

The lists of hotels below have agreed to provide special rates for the **Softball Tournament.**

_____ <b>Clarion Hotel</b>	
(318) 797-9900- - - - -	\$69.00 +tax
_____ <b>Holiday Inn Downtown Shreveport</b>	
(318) 000-0000 - - - - -	\$92.00 +tax
_____ <b>Howard Johnson Express</b>	
(318) 636-0000 - - - - -	-\$62.00 Inc.
_____ <b>Diamond Jacks Casino Resort</b>	



3/15/2011

Hello Softball Players and Sponsors:

It's time again! It is time for the **35th Annual Softball Tournament!** The Northwest Louisiana Chapter of Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, Inc., invites **you** to participate with us as we **"hit it out of the park"** for sickle cell disease. The tournament will be held **Friday July 8, Saturday 9, & Sunday 10, 2011.** This is an entire weekend of fun, playing America's favorite pastime, so mark your calendar!! We expect to have a spectacular time with the first pitch being thrown promptly at 7:00 p.m. July 8, 2011. The support you have given us in the past is greatly appreciated. We look forward to seeing you in this year's tournament.

We encourage you to book your hotel room(s) in advance so that you can take advantage of the discounted hotel rates. When registering for your hotel be sure to mention you are with the **Sickle Cell Softball Tournament.** Enclosed is the registration package, along with a housing form. Please complete the housing form and return it to our office as soon as possible. The Sickle Cell Office needs this information for tracking purposes during your weekend with us. We have enclosed a list of hotels and a map of the area for your convenience.

Please plan and prepare to participate in the **AT&T Home Run Derby on Friday, July 8, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.** Winners will receive cash prizes and recognition. We encourage you to support our local community by attending other area festivities if time permits. The Shreveport – Bossier area has much to offer. Visit our many museums and attractions, River Boat Casinos and dine at our fine restaurants.

Your presence and participation is greatly appreciated as you play ball and assist us in our efforts in **"Breaking the "Sickle Cycle"**. We hope to see you on the softball field. **Again welcome!**

Sincerely,

*Lillie J. Bradford*

Lillie J. Bradford, Executive Director

*Herman Vital*

Herman Vital, Tournament Director

*Roy Burrell*

Roy Burrell, Committee Chairman

*Willie McPhearson*

Willie McPhearson, Board President