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Reser's All-Star Series to Help Launch Mid-Valley All-Star Classic Baseball Tournament

Corvallis, Oregon, Monday, January 28, 2013 – High school baseball coaches from Corvallis, Crescent Valley, West Albany and Lebanon High Schools have teamed up to start a summer baseball tournament to coincide with the Reser's Oregon All-Star Series and be hosted at their schools with the championship game to be played immediately following the Oregon All-Star Series finale at Goss Stadium on Sunday, June 16.

The tournament will be made up of high school summer teams from all over the state and will be played at Hansen Stadium at Taylor Field (Corvallis), Tim Wirth Memorial Field (CV), Croco Field (Lebanon) and Memorial Field (West Albany) starting Friday, June 14 running through Sunday, June 16 with the tournament championship game beginning at 3 pm on Sunday at Goss Stadium on the campus of Oregon State University.

Teams in the Mid-Valley All-Star Classic will feature underclassmen players.

"The plan is to play some competitive baseball as well as expose our younger players to what many will be striving for, participating in the Reser's All-Star Series at Goss Stadium one day," said Corvallis High School head baseball coach Eric Dazey. "We're excited to work with the Reser's All-Star Series and hopefully start a tradition here."

To date, teams from Lake Oswego, Barlow, Thurston, North Salem, McNary, Bend, Hood River and Madison High Schools have entered joining host teams from Corvallis, Crescent Valley, West Albany and Lebanon.

"It's pretty cool to see Eric, Don, Ryan and coach Stolsig start this tournament," said Oregon All-Star Series 6A coordinator Jake Anders, also the head baseball coach at Lake Oswego High School. "Not only will this be a fun tournament for the kids, it will likely attract more coaches and players to our showcase series for the top 5A and 6A players."

"This should definitely pique their interest, seeing the very best seniors playing at one of the best parks on the West Coast all geared up in the latest Nike wear. We have a really good time at the Oregon All-Star Series and this should only generate more awareness with our high school kids."

For tournament details and to inquire about entering, please contact Eric Dazey at 541-760-7643 or email Eric at eric.dazey@corvallis.k12.or.us. Eric will be assisted by Lebanon head coach Jeff Stolsig, West Albany head coach Don Lien and Crescent Valley head coach Ryan Starwalt in running the tournament.

ABOUT THE OREGON ALL-STAR SERIES

The Reser's Oregon All-Star Series showcases the top senior high school baseball players from the state's 5A and 6A classifications June 15-16 at Goss Stadium in Corvallis, Oregon. The 2013 series starts with a doubleheader on Saturday, June 15 at noon (two 7-inning games) and concludes Sunday, June 16 with a single 9-inning game at 11 am. The All-Star Series, formerly known as the State-Metro Series, thrived in The Dalles for decades (1971-2007) celebrating its 50th anniversary in its last year at Quinton Street Ball Park. After stints in Bend and McMinnville, the Oregon All-Star Series moved to Corvallis in 2011 where attendance for the two-day showcase was 1,099 in 2011 and 635 in 2012.

For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit www.oregonallstarseries.com.