



Cy-Fair's Burning Flower



9th Annual Lacrosse Classic

**Bear Creek Pioneers Park
Houston, TX
December 5th & 6th**

*Remembering
Julia*

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On May 30, 2009 the Cy-Fair Iron Maidens and the Texas lacrosse community suffered a great loss. Thirteen year-old Julia Marie Briggs, a 5-year player for the Iron Maidens and lacrosse enthusiast, suddenly and very unexpectedly passed away from Mediastinal Lymphoma (a very rare and aggressive cancer).

Julia was an energetic, charismatic, inspirational, and caring leader both on and off the field who demonstrated her leadership through athletics and community service. In addition to playing lacrosse, Julia ran cross country and was also actively involved in the Girl Scouts. Prior to her passing, Julia was beginning her quest to attain the Silver Award for Girl Scouts. Her idea was to gather stuffed animals for the Houston Police Department for homicide detectives to give to children to hold for comfort in times of crisis.



Burning Flower



Memorial



To honor Julia's memory and to help fulfill her vision, we will be collecting stuffed animals at our tournament to benefit the Houston Police Department, Child Advocates, and area law enforcement agencies. ***We ask all able and willing participants at our tournament to donate a new, small stuffed animal to this worthy cause.*** We would like for this to become an annual tradition for *Cy-Fair's Burning Flower Lacrosse Classic*. All who donate at this year's tournament will be given a small gift of appreciation from Julia's family. For those unable to attend that wish to participate, information will be forthcoming.





Welcome to Cy-Fair's 2009 Burning Flower Lacrosse Classic

December 5th & 6th
Bear Creek Pioneers Park, Houston, TX

The Cy-Fair Iron Maidens extend an invitation to all Girls High School Varsity, Junior Varsity and Middle School Lacrosse Programs to participate in the annual Cy-Fair Burning Flower Lacrosse Classic on December 5th & 6th, 2009. This is the only fall tournament held in the Houston area for Girls Lacrosse programs, providing a high level of competitive play, and promoting the growth and development of Texas women's lacrosse.

The tournament will be at Bear Creek Pioneers Park on War Memorial Drive nestled between State Hwy 6 and Eldridge Road. Entry fees are \$425 for each HS Varsity and Junior Varsity team registered and \$375 for each Middle School team registered. All teams will play 3 games in pool play on Saturday and Sunday, followed by a Championship game for each division.

If you intend on participating, please let us know as early as you can via email at contactus@cyfairironmaidenslacrosse.org. We will try to hold your spot; however, those who submit completed forms and payment first receive priority.

Entry fees and completed registration are required to confirm your participation, and are requested by Friday, November 13th. All entries will be accommodated on a first come-first served basis until all spaces are filled. Registration is currently limited to 36 teams. Historically this has split out as 16 Varsity teams, 12 Jr. Varsity teams and 8 MS teams. As always, we will do our best to include all who want to play but it is important to get your registration in early so we can assess the logistics of accommodating additional teams beyond our target of 36. Last year we had 17 Varsity, 12 Jr. Varsity, and 7 MS teams that played 60 games on 5 fields over the 2-day event.

We will be purchasing Tournament Insurance, forgoing the requirement for US Lacrosse numbers or team insurance certificates. Bollinger Insurance requires team rosters include the Names all players, their DOB, and their address for claim verification purposes. All teams must submit a team roster with completed waivers prior to participation in the tournament. You may bring them with you to the registration table.

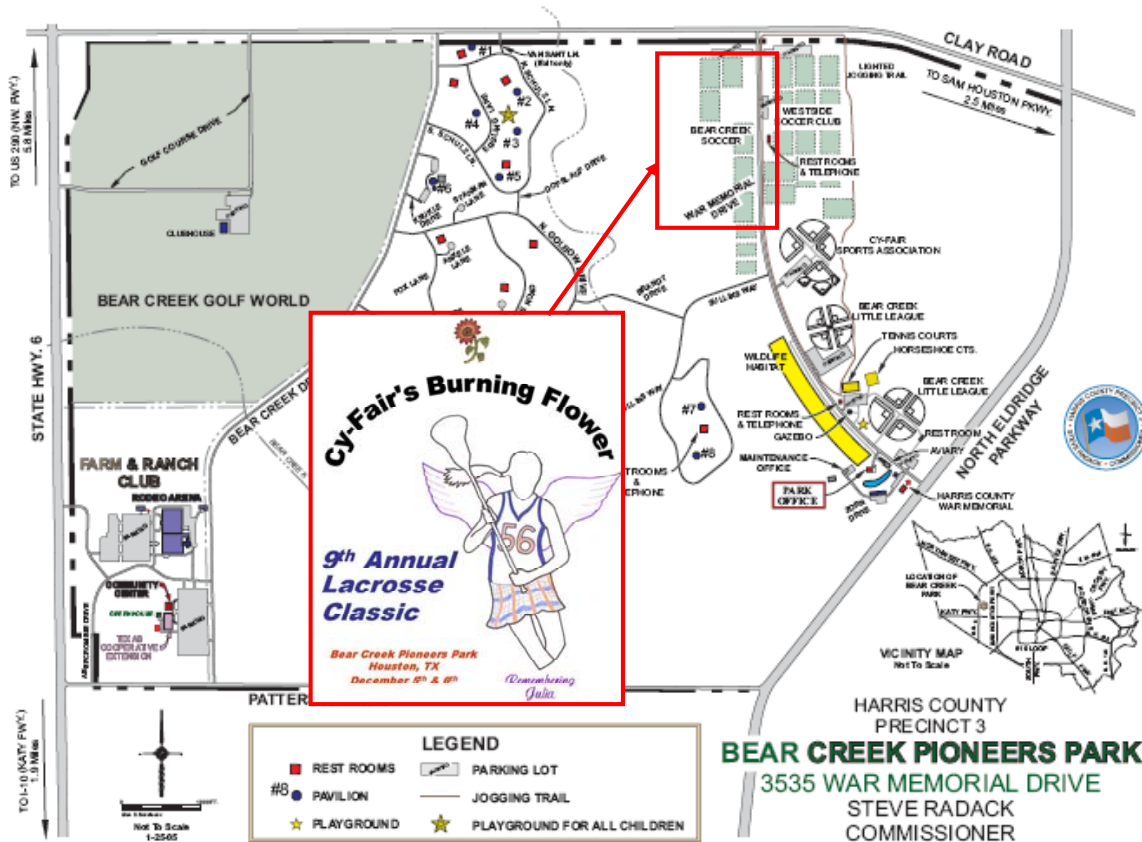
Cancellations received before November 13th will be honored with a full refund of the entry fee. Cancellations after November 13th will be honored with a 75% refund. If weather conditions force a cancellation of the tournament prior to commencement of play, we will refund all funds received less our actual hard cost outlays.

Attached you will find the Registration Form, Team Roster Form, Participant Waiver & Code of Conduct Form, and a general location map with information on some local hotels to assist out-of-town teams. Tournament rules and other details will be forthcoming, or you can check our website <http://www.cyfairironmaidenslacrosse.org> for updates.



If you require additional information, please email contactus@cyfairironmaidenslacrosse.org or contact Tom McCarthy at 281-788-5648.

We look forward to seeing you there.



Some Area Hotels:

Holiday Inn Express Houston West Energy Corridor Hotel
 12323 Katy Fwy, Houston, TX
 (877) 786-9480

Embassy Suites Houston – Energy Corridor
 11730 Katy Fwy, Houston, TX
 (281) 531-7300

Omni Houston at Westside
 13210 Katy Fwy, Houston, TX
 (281) 558-8338

Homewood Suites – Houston Energy
 14450 Park Row, Houston, TX
 (281) 558-3800

Homewood Suites - Northwest
 13110 Wortham Center Dr, Houston, TX
 (832) 237-2000

Hampton Inn Houston Northwest
 20035 Northwest Fwy, Houston, TX
 (281) 890-2299



REGISTRATION FORM

(Please send completed Entry Form & Fee due by November 13th, 2009)

Team/Club Name: _____

Entry Fees:

Squads	Entry Fee per Team	Number of Teams	Total Due
Varsity	\$425.00		\$.00
Jr. Varsity	\$425.00		\$.00
Middle School	\$375.00		\$.00
Club Total			\$.00
Please Make Checks out to "Cy-Fair Girl's Lacrosse"			

Amount Enclosed: _____

Team Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

E-Mail Address: _____

If you require additional information, please email contactus@cyfairironmaidenslacrosse.org or contact Tom McCarthy at 281-788-5648.

Mail your team entry fee, roster by November 13th, 2009 TO:

CY-FAIR GIRLS LACROSSE
c/o Tom McCarthy
14714 Brenly Dr.
Cypress, Texas 77429

We look forward to your participation.
Thank you!



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Participant Waiver

(SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE)

In consideration of my participation in **Cy-Fair's 2009 Burning Flower Lacrosse Classic**, I agree to the following:

1. Waiver and Release: I am fully aware of and appreciate the risks, including the risk of catastrophic injury, paralysis and even death, as well as other damages and losses, associated with participation in a lacrosse event and related sports conditioning activities. I further agree on behalf of myself, my heirs, and personal representatives, that the **Cy-Fair Lacrosse Association, Cy-Fair Iron Maidens Booster Club, Bear Creek Soccer Club, and Harris County**, along with coaches, officials, referees, umpires, volunteers, employees, agents, officers and directors of these organizations, shall not be liable for any injury, loss of life or other loss or damage occurring as a result of my participation in the event.

2. Medical Attention: I hereby give my consent to the **Cy-Fair Lacrosse Association and Cy-Fair Iron Maidens Booster Club** to provide, through a medical staff of its choice, customary medical/athletic training attention, transportation and emergency medical services as warranted in the course of my participation in the **Cy-Fair's 2009 Burning Flower Lacrosse Classic**.

3. Readiness to Compete: I will only participate in those competitions or activities in which I believe I am physically and psychologically prepared to participate.

4. Code of Conduct: I have read and agree to all terms of the Code of Conduct, on the second page of this form, especially with regard to my responsibilities as a Player.

Participant Primary Medical Insurance Carrier: _____

Policy Number: _____

Signature of Participant /Date

FOR ANY PARTICIPANT WHO IS NOT YET 18 YEARS OLD: As legal guardian of this participant, I hereby verify by my signature below that I have read and fully understand each of the above conditions for permitting my child to participate in any US Lacrosse recognized or sanctioned event, and I accept each of the above conditions, especially the waiver and release set forth in paragraph one.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

Date



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Code of Conduct

Objective:

To promote sportsmanship, fair play and respect for all Participants in Cy-Fair's 2009 Burning Flower Lacrosse Classic.

The Code of Conduct

1. All Participants should play in the spirit of the game.
2. All Participants are to HONOR the game. Each person should respect the rules of the game and treat officials, opponents, teammates and coaches with respect.
3. The value of winning shall never be placed above the value of instilling the highest ideals of character.
4. The head coach shall act in a courteous manner and also shall endeavor in every way to achieve the same from players, coaches and parents.
5. One of the team's coaches shall be designated the head coach. The head coach is responsible for making all decisions for that team not delegated specifically to the team's game captain. It is the head coach's responsibility to see that players and substitutes are equipped properly, both mentally and physically, to play.
6. Coaches are responsible for controlling their players, spectators and any other persons associated with their program.
7. Abusive, profane or violent behavior or language by coaches, players or fans will not be tolerated. Behavior in this manner may result in member suspension or expulsion from the Tournament.
8. No alcoholic beverages or any intoxicating substances or intoxicated individuals are allowed.
9. A player must not conduct him/herself in a rough, dangerous or unsportsmanlike manner.