

Dear Parents of ball players at CSLL,

Many thanks go to all of you as you support "Chez Trailside" the concession stand which is the social heart of Central Springfield Little League. The only way that we can continue to provide you with such a wonderful service is through your continued support, not only through your purchases but also through your time spent as volunteers working in the stand.

Each team has been scheduled to work 2-3 shifts in the concession stand. In order for a shift to run smoothly, we have requested that each shift be supported by 6 volunteers from your team (I may have misspoke at the Team Parent meeting and teen training). In most cases this equates to one shift per ball player. We do have a large number of trained teens who can be hired to work your shift if you are unable.

There is a process that **MUST** be followed to have a teen work in the concession stand for you:

First: please do not send your teenager to work for you, the teen must be scheduled by me. If you do have a teen who attended training this spring, please let me know that when you put your request in, and I will schedule them to work your shift.

Second: you must contact me at prklein1@juno.com, at least 3 days in advance to hire a teen. We are not an employment agency, and I must put the request out to all the teens. That being said, I realize that emergencies happen, in which case, let me know ASAP, and we will do our best to get your shift covered by a paid teen.

Third: once you have requested a teen via email, you must leave an envelope with \$20.00 cash (or a check made out to CSLL). On the outside of the envelope, please list your name/phone number (if your shift is rained out, I will return the fee, unless you want to roll it over to the rescheduled shift), date/time of shift and team name. This envelope should be handed to the

Concession Stand manager as soon as you have requested a teen be hired.

While the process might seem tedious, there are 35+ teams scheduled to cover the season's shifts at Chez Trailside. If you fail to follow these very simple procedures it creates a tremendous amount of extra work. Also we do not want the adults working that shift to be left short handed by a failure to follow the guidelines.

Please remember, when you are on the ordering side of the window, that everyone inside the stand is a volunteer. We are all working as quickly as we can, and doing our best. Please be patient. We are all human, and I hope we do not make a mistake. Please be kind when you bring that mistake to our attention, and we will do our best to correct it.

We are very proud of the quality and variety of items that we offer you each night. Here are a few interesting facts:

- We make 5 gallons of homemade chili every week to be served on salads, Grand Slam Nachos, hot dogs and fries.
- The burgers served at Chez Trailside are the same burger served at Camden Yards.
- This is the third season we have been using Zero Trans Fat oil in our fryer (and it is peanut free).
- On opening night we have served over 14 dozen hamburgers, 30 dozen hot dogs and 3 dozen steak sandwiches
- Once a week, we have the majority of our food delivered by Sysco. If you would be available to help with receiving that order, please let me know at prklein1@juno.com.
- We will be adding Grilled Cheese Sandwiches to the menu this week. The cost will be 1.50.

- There is a cost associated with everything in the stand, and our goal is to make a profit to help lower the fees that you pay. We do charge \$.25 for a glass of water, but if you bring your own bottle or cup, we will happily fill it for you for free.
- As the weather gets warmer, please know that the ice in the Concession Stand is for stand use only. Please don't expect us to fill water coolers for teams, etc. As always, we make ice packs for injured players.

It is my pleasure to coordinate the efforts at Chez Trailside. We continue to look for others within the CSLL family to help support the concession stand effort. If you would be interested in helping in any way, please drop me an email, or stop me at Trailside.

Yours in baseball!

Richard Klein