

**2009 Mud Hens**  
**Scout Sleepover Handbook**



**FOREWARD**

The Toledo Mud Hens would like to say thank you for making your reservation for the 2009 Annual Scout Sleepover. Inside the handbook is some valuable information regarding our scout sleepover. Whether you are new to our scout sleepover or a seasoned veteran we ask that you take some time to review the material in the handbook; as some things have changed since last season. We also ask that **you share this information** with other people in your group who will be attending. This will make sure that everyone in your group has the important information, which will make the event more enjoyable for everyone. You and your group members may access this handbook online at [http://www.mudhens.com/info/scout\\_sleepover.asp](http://www.mudhens.com/info/scout_sleepover.asp).

For any Boy or Girl Scout questions please contact Chris Hole.

Sincerely,

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## GAME DATES, TIME AND COST

Erie Shores  
Saturday, May 9  
Friday, June 12  
Saturday, July 11\*  
Saturday, August 8

Black Swamp  
Saturday, June 13  
Friday, June 26  
Saturday, August 8

Great Sauk Trail  
Saturday, May 9  
Saturday, July 25  
Saturday, August 8

Girl Scouts of Western Ohio  
Friday, July 10  
Saturday, August 1

Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan  
Friday, July 10  
Saturday, August 1

Girl Scouts Metro Detroit  
Friday, July 10  
Saturday, August 1

Girl Scouts Southeastern Michigan  
Friday, July 10  
Saturday, August 1

\*July 11 – Two games for the price of one starting at 5:30pm

If your council is not listed or if you have questions please contact Chris Hole at 419-725-4367 x 4403 or by e-mail at [chole@mudhens.com](mailto:chole@mudhens.com)

### Cost:

Game tickets only:	\$9.00 per person
Sleepover (includes game ticket & sleepover):	\$17.00 per person
Optional Morning Breakfast Buffet:	\$8.00 per person (must be purchased in advance)
Optional Game Snack Pack (Hot dog, Bag of Chips, Soda):	\$5.00 per person (must be purchased in advance)
Optional Scout Sleepover T-shirt:	\$12.00 per Kid (must be purchased in advance) \$15.00 per Adult (must be purchased in advance)

*All game times are at 7:00 pm (except July 11) and include a pre-game parade that starts at 6:20 pm on the field and post-game fireworks. July 11 scout parade starts at 4:50pm and game time at 5:30pm.*



## SLEEPOVER RULES

We ask that all scouts, scout leaders, and participants observe the following rules. It will make the event more enjoyable for everyone, and **will keep the cost down for future years.**

### DO:

- Treat the field with care
- Stay in the outfield at all times
- Carry all equipment on to the field
- Use electric devices for lighting
- Bring snacks for sleepover portion only. No food or drink is allowed to be brought into the game.

### DO NOT:


-  NO plastic or tarps between tent and grass. Please only put plastic or tarps on the inside of tent.
-  NO rain guard. Please don't spray rain guard on tents. It washes off and kills the grass.
- STAKE DOWN TENTS; no stakes allowed – confiscated stakes will NOT be returned.
- Go on infield grass at anytime.
- Use heating devices
- NO wheeled wagons, coolers, etc. Please carry everything on to the field.
- DO NOT spray BUG SPRAY on the field. Please go to main concourse to apply bug spray; spray will kill the grass.
- Bring anything flammable (lighters, candles, kerosene lanterns) onto the field.
- NO ALCOHOL – this shouldn't be listed, but it has been a problem. Confiscated alcohol will NOT be returned.
- Bring pets of any kind, shape or size.
- Smoke (Fifth Third Field is a non-smoking facility at all times)
- THROW any objects, at anytime, includes but not limited to baseballs, footballs, Frisbees, etc.

## RAIN OUT POLICIES

If the **game is cancelled**, so is the sleepover. If the game is played, the sleepover would only be cancelled if the weather forecast calls for severe storms overnight or the field can not take the abuse. **If the sleepover is cancelled** hold onto your game tickets, sleepover tickets, and breakfast tickets. These tickets will be good for the **sleepover make-up date of Friday, August 28, 2009**. **There will be NO REFUNDS** on game tickets or sleepover tickets. See rain check policy.

### Rain Check Policy

**Game Tickets** – the Mud Hens do not offer refunds on tickets purchased. Keep your tickets; they can be used as a rain check for any future Mud Hens 2009 regular season home game, including the sleepover make-up date of August 28, 2009 (see sleepover make-up date policy).

**Sleepover Tickets** -  If the sleepover is cancelled for any reason, hold on to your sleepover ticket because they will be good for the sleepover make-up date of August 28, 2009 (see sleepover make-up date). There will be **NO REFUNDS** on sleepover tickets because a make-up date has been established.

**Breakfast Tickets**- Hold onto your breakfast tickets because they will be good for the breakfast on the morning following the sleepover make-up date.



### Sleepover Make-Up Date

If any of the scout sleepovers are cancelled they will be rescheduled for the make-up date on **Friday, August 28, 2008**. Since this date is scheduled well-in-advance there will be **NO REFUNDS** on sleepover tickets or breakfast tickets. **To make reservations** for this date you **must call Chris Hole at 419-725-4367 x 4403**. Game tickets and sleepover are based upon availability for the make-up date.

## DISCLAIMER

**\*DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:** Neither the Toledo Mud Hens Baseball Club, Inc. or Lucas County, Ohio shall be liable for personal injury or property loss or damage suffered by any participant (or his/her natural or legal guardians) arising out of or connected with any participant's participation in Scout Night at Fifth Third Field. By registering and participating in Scout Night, each individual scout or troop leader agrees to be responsible for the conduct and actions of each participant under his/her supervision.

## FAQ'S

### *What essentials do we need to bring?*

The list should include a **spikeless** tent, sleeping bag/pillow, flash light, proper clothes to sleep in, light jacket/sweatshirt for after the game and any necessary toiletries.

### *Who receives sleepover patches?*

Only **scouts and scout leaders** spending the night receive patches. Those who are on the waiting list (1<sup>st</sup> priority) to sleepover and those who want to, can purchase them at a cost of \$3/patch. Orders for extra patches will be process **AFTER** all sleepovers have been completed. **While supplies last.**

### *Is the sleepover available to family members?*

Yes, mothers, fathers, and siblings of scouts are welcome and encouraged to attend the game and spend the night.

### *Will there be adequate supervision?*

**YES!** Any scout groups that plan on staying overnight are **REQUIRED** to have adequate chaperoning by their scout leader(s). There will be at least 8 Mud Hens employees on hand to assist during the evening, as well as 4 Mud Hens employees staying overnight. The number of employees will increase as needed depending upon attendance.

### *What is the itinerary for the event?*

**PARADE** - Gates to the ballpark will open 1 hour before the schedule game time. The scouts will participate in the pre-game parade starting 40 minutes before the scheduled game time (**PARADE-enter between sections 104 and 105 and exit between section 116 and 117**), and attend the Mud Hens game. Fireworks will follow **ALL** of the sleepover dates.

**SLEEPOVER** - Once the field is cleared and prepared for a **safe** sleepover the scouts will be allowed to bring their tents and any snacks they may have brought onto the field for the night. The Mud Hens will provide entertainment until lights out. Scouts will get their sites ready and lights out will be no more than 15 minutes following the conclusion of the night's entertainment.

**BREAKFAST** - The following morning all campers will clean up their sites. Wake up call will be at 7 a.m. Camping gear needs to be removed from the field by 8:00 am and **before** proceeding to breakfast. If you are participating in the morning breakfast, it will be served from 7 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. All scouts should be ready to leave Fifth Third Field by 8:30 a.m.

**MORNING CLEAN UP** - All scouts are **REQUIRED** to assist in field cleanup Saturday/Sunday morning! We will **walk the field** looking to **pick up all debris** left from the sleepover. By cleaning up after yourselves you will help in keeping the costs down in future years.

### *How do I get my patches?*

Patches will be enclosed in the package that is mailed to the person who placed the order. If you do not receive patches in the mail packet please let us know.

### *Where do the scouts store their camping gear?*

Scouts will need to keep their gear in their chaperone/scout leader's vehicle during the game. Scouts should meet to enter the field between sections 103 and 104 and between sections 118 and 119; this will also be announced over the public address system.

### *Where do I pick up my Scout Sleepover T-Shirt I ordered?*

If you purchased a scout sleepover t-shirt you will need to redeem your t-shirt coupon at the Swamp Shop Souvenir Store on the day of your game only. The coupon should be enclosed in the package that is mailed to the person who placed the order (if not call us). The Swamp Shop is located in the right field corner by the Roost.

### *How/When/Where should we transport our camping gear onto the field?*

**How?** We must ask that you **NOT** bring wagons or coolers with wheels onto the field. All camping gear transport should be done by **CARRYING items onto the field.**

**When?** Approximately 45 minutes after the conclusion of the game/fireworks is when you should bring your gear onto the field. You will not be allowed onto the field until it is **safe.**

**Where?** Sections 103-104 and 118-119 will be the **ONLY entry points** onto the field when bringing in your equipment and tents. Please adhere to the diagram when placing and setting up all tents (See Appendix B).

***What do we need to get into the sleepover?***

There is a sleepover ticket that should be turned in to gain entrance into the sleepover, which is included in the sleepover packet mailed to the person who placed the order. This ticket will be checked and ripped when you enter the ballpark at the 1<sup>st</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> base gate for the sleepover portion of the evening. Only those with sleepover tickets will be able to sleepover.

***Do we need anything to be allowed to eat our breakfast in the morning?***

There is a breakfast ticket that should be turned in at the beginning of the buffet line for your breakfast, which, if purchased, is included in the sleepover packet mailed to the person who placed the order.

***Where is breakfast served?***

Breakfast will be served in the Roost banquet facility, both the 3<sup>rd</sup> and the 4<sup>th</sup> floors will be open, and you can eat inside or outside on the Nest Party Deck.

***If we have someone in a wheelchair or other special needs, can we get them on the field to spend the night?***

Yes, you can. Please call Chris Hole at 419-725-4367 x 4403 to make special arrangements.

***Will there be concession stands open during the sleepover?***

No, there will be no concession stands open for the sleepover. Scout groups are allowed to bring food and beverage into the ballpark for the sleepover portion only. No food or beverage is allowed in the ballpark for the game. An optional Game Snack Pack (Hot Dog, Bag of Chips, Small Soda) is available for purchase in advance for only \$5.

***Will there be restrooms open during the sleepover?***

Yes, one set of restrooms on the first and third base side of the main concourse will remain open for the entire night.

***If we need to leave in the middle of the night can we?***

Once we have everyone on the field all the gates in the ballpark will be locked. However, if you need to leave in the middle of the night for any reason you may do so through the suite level glass doors behind home plate. Please note that **these doors will lock behind** you so once you are out you can not re-enter the ballpark.

***Where do we park, and will they tow our car at night?***

The Toledo Mud Hens do not have a parking lot. We use existing parking lots in the downtown area. Most parking companies are aware of our scout sleepovers, so when you pull into a parking lot let the attendant know you are going to be attending the sleepover and your car will remain over night. Most parking companies do not have a problem because you will be gone by 9:00 am the next morning. For a parking map of Downtown Toledo see Appendix A or go online <http://www.mudhens.com/parking>. The Toledo Mud Hens are not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged property in the parking lot or Fifth Third Field. If something should occur it is the sole responsibility of the vehicle's owner to contact the Toledo Police and notify the parking lot company of any theft or damage.

***How do I get to Fifth Third Field?***

The directions are below. In addition, the pocket schedule that is enclosed with the sleepover packet, which is mailed to the person who made the reservation, has directions to Fifth Third Field. You may also view directions online at <http://www.mudhens.com/info/directions.asp?view=3>.

**DIRECTIONS TO FIFTH THIRD FIELD**

406 Washington Street  
Toledo, OH 43604

**FROM OHIO TURNPIKE (80/90):**

I 80/90 to exit 64 to I-75 North. Follow I-75 North to exit 201-B (downtown exit). Turn left onto Erie St. Turn right onto Washington St.

**FROM DETROIT (I-75 SOUTH):**

I-75 South to exit 202-A (Washington St.). Turn right onto Washington St.

**FROM FINDLAY (I-75 NORTH):**

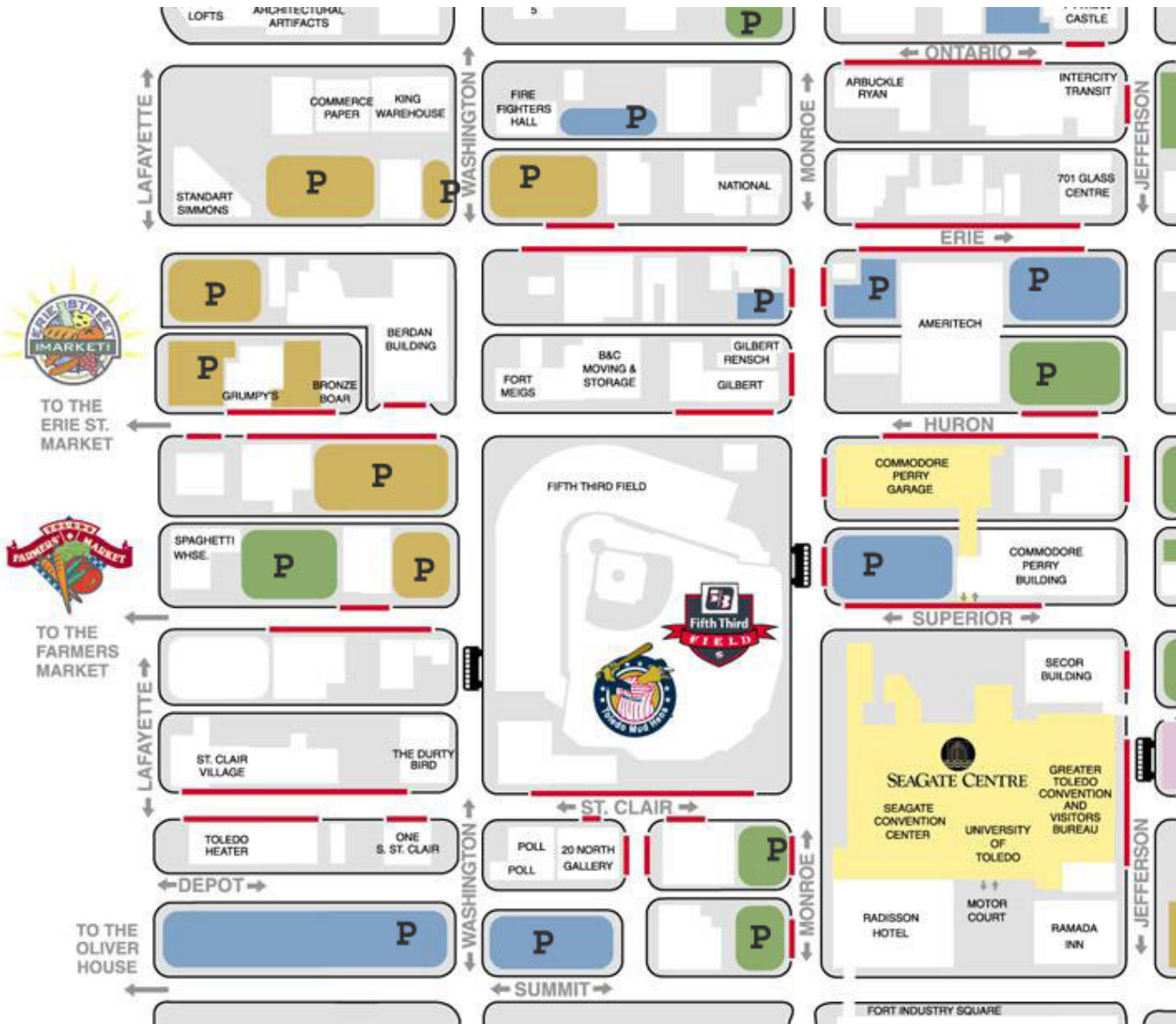
I-75 North to exit 201-B (downtown exit). Turn left onto Erie St. Turn right onto Washington St.

**FROM ANN ARBOR (23 SOUTH):**

23 South to I-475 East. Take I-475 East to I-75 South. Follow I-75 South to exit 202-A (Washington St.). Turn right onto Washington St.

# APPENDIX A

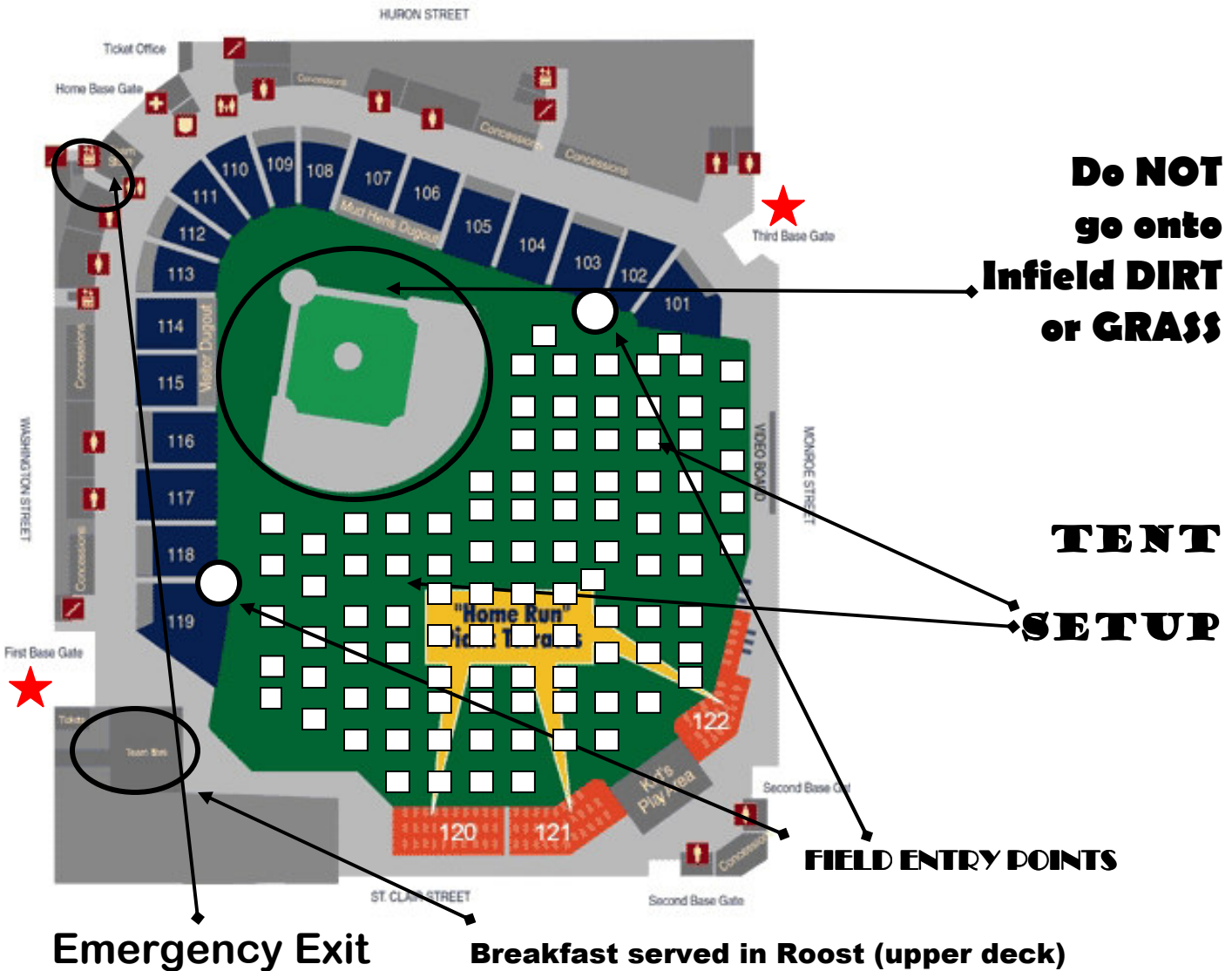
## Parking Map of Downtown Area



P = Parking Lot

# APPENDIX B

## Fifth Third Field Entry Diagram / Tent Layout



★ **Your sleeper tickets will be checked and ripped at the first and third base gate entrances. No entry for sleeper without a sleeper ticket.**

- Do NOT Spike your tents down
- No plastic or tarps between the tent and the grass
- Do NOT drag anything on the field
- No carts, wagons, wheeled coolers
- No heating devices (kerosene or gas)
- Do NOT Throw any objects at all