



Good game, guys! Members of the Core Photography squad salute their opponents after a recent game. We instituted “the salute” to replace handshakes to help minimize COVID risks. (Courtesy of Magic Moments PhotoShop)

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Goodbye Fall, Hello Winter Softball By Larry Wolfe

The Fall Seasons for both our Lakes and Sun Divisions ended in December after the deadline for *Splash* articles. We’ll do a complete recap of the final standings and batting statistics in next month’s edition. In the meantime, you can view up-to-date info on the Stats Page of our website: www.sunlakessoftball.com.

With a week and a half left in the Fall Seasons, the Core Photography squad was atop the Lakes Division with a 10-6 record. The Young Realty Team was in second place with a 7-5 W-L record. The Top Five hitters in the division were Vern Rodgers (.753), Ernie Flores (.738), Mike Willits (.719), Tim Loeffler (.703) and Manny Verduco (.702). Rookie Brian Brockman led the division in homers with six, closely followed by Vern Rodgers with five.

In the Sun Division, Spooner PT and Wolfe & Associates were in a virtual tie for the top spot with records of 7-5 and 8-6, respectively. Dan Melosi led the division in hitting with a robust .857 average. (Note that the all-time Sun Lakes average leader is Reyes Gonzales, who posted a .873 mark in 2016/17. So, Dan's within striking distance!) The remainder of the Top Five were Tom Bersano (.817), Larry Kaufmann (.813), Dave Platt (.800) and Bobby Farmer (.758). Top home run hitters were Bob Wicks (13), Tom Stephens (12), Bobby Farmer (11) and Larry Kaufmann (10).

Our Winter Sessions begin on January 4 and continue through late February. See the Schedules Page on our website for the full schedule. Our regular sessions will be followed by a double elimination tournament. League play is on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays with recreational play on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. Also, see a separate article in this month's *Splash* to view the schedule for our Lady Sluggers team.

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