

Members of the Co-champion Real Estate Rustlers (yellow jerseys) and Brenden Financial Planning teams. (Photo by Core Photography, LLC)

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BRENDEN AND RUSTLERS TIE IN SUN DIVISION By Larry Wolfe

As fate would have it, the Brenden Financial Planning team, sponsored and managed by Ken Brenden, and the Real Estate Rustlers, sponsored by Jim Leckner and managed by Tom Kasunic, entered the final day of the Fall League softball season with identical 9-7 records and were scheduled to play each other in a doubleheader on that final day. In the opener, the Rustlers beat the Planners 17-10, but the Planners came back in the nightcap to beat the Rustlers 17-11 resulting in a tie for the league lead in the Sun Division. Both squads ended their seasons with records of 10-8, just nosing out Manager Mike Gloyd's Young Realty team by one game.

Mike Otman led the division with an .805 average followed by Kim Whitney (.791), Steve Hilby (.776), Larry Kaufmann (.710) and Tom Kasunic (.675).

The Sun Division Winter League opened on January 2 and will run through February 23. A double elimination tournament will be played at the conclusion of the regular season. Check out our website (<u>www.sunlakessoftball.com</u>) for up-to-date news, standings and batting statistics.