

OFFICER THOMAS LINDSEY MEMORIAL YOUTH ATHLETIC LEAGUE

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ONEIDA COUNTY RBI LEAGUE OPENS REGISTRATION FOR 2010 SEASON: The Officer Thomas M. Lindsey Memorial Youth Athletic League is a Youth Baseball and Softball League which is Part of Major league Baseball's RBI presented by KPMG Program

The Officer Thomas M. Lindsey Memorial Youth Athletic League has opened registration for youth ages 8 to 15, both boys and girls in Utica for the 2010 baseball and softball season. The league is part of the international Reviving Baseball in Inner Cities (RBI) presented by KPMG program, an international youth development initiative designed to provide opportunities to play baseball and softball to young people in underserved communities. Registration begins on May 10, 2010 and runs until May 31, 2010. There will be numerous opportunities to register. Anyone interested in registering or volunteering can contact the League at (315) 798-5034. In addition, registration will be on May 20, 2010 from 3:00 pm until 5:30pm at the Parkway Recreation Center and on May 22, 2010 at Noon until 3:00pm at Quinn Park on Rutger and St. Vincent Streets in the City of Utica. Interested participants can learn more by visiting us on facebook.com. Also, there will be registration applications available at all the local schools, the Revolutionary Trails Council of the Boy Scouts of America, and the Municipal Housing Authority.

"This year promises to be an even more exciting season. We expect the interest in free summertime youth baseball to increase. As our players improve at the game, we will see a marked increase in registration." says League Director Bernard Hyman.

Major League Baseball's RBI presented by KPMG is a youth outreach program designed to increase participation and interest in baseball and softball, to encourage academic participation and achievement and teach the value of teamwork. It also strives to increase the number of athletes prepared to play in college and the minor leagues, and promotes greater inclusion of minorities into the mainstream of the game. "With the support of MLB and the Oneida County District Attorney Scott McNamara, we will continue to grow the program for the benefit of the young people in our community."