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Top row, from left: Coach Brian Baker, Nicolas Bamont, Jack Larsen, Colby Burns, Nick Kresnak, Brett Donat, Tommy Thrasher, Coach Matt Hansen; bottom row: Murphy Baker, David Sniderman, Owen Hansen, Vince Bianchina, Jack Muren, Luke Miles, Ryan Reilly; not pictured: Coach Rick Bianchina

the "Chachi Corral Tournament" in Danville.

12's All-Stars:

Submitted by Shannon Vicencio

9's All-Stars:

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The Lafayette's 9-year-olds defended their first tournament win with another title run at the 11th Annual Joey Moore Memorial Tournament. An impressive 5-0-1 record brought the 9's a second straight championship against a familiar opponent in Tassajara Valley.

10's All-Stars:

Submitted by Matt Hansen

The Lafayette 10-year-old All-Stars opened their postseason with a victory over Danville's All-Stars at Buckeye Field. The win set the stage for a successful run in the District 4 tournament, winning five games and outscoring their opponents 61-26. After a loss to eventual District champion Walnut Creek, the 10's peeled off four victories in a row before their run toward the championship ended against Antioch on July 6th.

Following District, the 10's competed in their first invitational tournament of the summer at the 26th Annual Granada Little League Invitational Tournament held in Livermore that featured eight District All-Star teams. The 10's won their semifinal game against top-seeded Canyon Creek 12-2 and beat Tassajara Valley 10-0 for the championship in four innings. They will finish the summer at

In the Little League International Tournament, Lafayette's 12 year-old all-stars won the District 4 Championship by beating Antioch 15-9. The win marks the first time that a 12 year-old team from Lafayette captured a District Banner and the second time this group of players brought home a championship.

The road to the title was not an easy one because Lafayette lost a game early in the tournament and was forced to play through the loser's bracket. Facing elimination in seven consecutive games, Lafayette played some of their best baseball, compiling an 8-1 record.

In the Championship game, Lafayette stormed out to a 15-4.

Lafayette moved on to Sectionals held in Fairfield, but lost early in the tournament

12's:

Submitted by Jill McTaggart

Lafayette Little League fielded a 12-year-old tournament team this summer, playing in three local tournaments. The team went 9-4, going to the finals in two out of three tournaments. The team won the Granada Tournament, placed second in the TOPS Tournament, and lost in the semi-finals of the Livermore National Tournament.

The team was led by the hitting of Chris Armanino, Drake Fettig, Ryan Burnett, Justin Pratt, Will Grace and Kevin Tuholski; the fielding of Gareth Kwok and Ben Ross; the pitching of Matthew Moorehead, Daniel Flaherty, Brian Merken, and Michael Bone; and the catching of Jared Kolsut and Nick Shirmer.

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Front row, from left: Seppi Ortman, Matty Vicencio, Ty Whelehan, Ryan Regan, Dexter Varrelmann, John Torchio, Jake Finegold; back row: Tyler Schenone, Matt Burns, Robby Rowell, Kyle Mizell, Tyler Ewing Coaches: John Whelehan, Buddy Rowell and Mark Vicencio



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