

Menifee League Champions Blues Brothers

Back Row (L to R): Don Chandler, Jim Teeter, Frank Camou, Mike Moller, John Maples, Jack Buss, Jeff Blakeman Front Row (L to R): Steve Baranick, Bill Bennett, Rick Shepard, Rob Hellman Not Pictured: Rich Cruz, Paul Donato, Charles Pickett, Glenn Stevenson, Craig Weilein

Blues Brothers Wins Menifee Senior Softball Championship

Blues Brothers is the Menifee Valley Upper Division Senior Softball (MVUDSS) Spring 2017 champion defeating 55 Shades of Gray 23-16 in the semi-finals then edging Sammy's Cafe by a score of 21-19 in the finals of the single-elimination playoffs.

Talk about a complete turnaround! After finishing in last place with a 3-11 regular fall season record then starting off the spring season with a 1-3 record, the Blues Brothers added Frank Camou and Rob Hellman to their roster and won 8 of their last 10 games gaining the 2nd playoff seed behind #1 seeded Sammy's Cafe team (13-1 during the regular season). But it didn't end there. The Blues Brothers then swept through the single-elimination playoffs to win the league championship.

MVUDSS league games are played on Monday mornings at the Big League Dreams Sports Park in Perris. The league offers tournament-caliber senior softball players 55 and older an opportunity to participate in a highly competitive, well-balanced, tournament-style league. Players turning 55 in calendar year 2018 are eligible to play in the upcoming Fall 2017 Season.

The league consists of players and teams from the Temecula Valley, Riverside, Ontario, and North San Diego County areas. Traveling teams have the option of playing once a week or playing bi-weekly doubleheaders.

League President Steve Baranick said, "Our league consists of six local teams and two out-of-area teams from North County San Diego and Ontario and continues to attract new players from around Southern California."

The Fall Season will start on September 11, 2017 and run through February 5, 2018. Players and teams interested in participating should contact Steve Baranick, 951-870-0114, stephenbaranick@gmail.com or visit the league website http://www.mvudss.org/.