Menifee Valley Upper Division Senior Softball Spring 2020 Season Cut Short due to Coronavirus Pandemic

On 3/16, halfway through the Spring 2020 Season, due to the spread of the coronavirus pandemic and because seniors were most at risk, the Monday League was shut down until further notice. However, before resuming league play and in accordance with all governmental (federal, state, local) mandates regarding this crisis, it was decided to cancel the remaining games.

For the record, when canceled, Ed Rushing's Blues Brothers team with 7 wins and only 1 loss was in 1st place followed closely behind in 2nd place by Glenn Stevenson's Tough Guys team with a 6-2 record. Also, because of the influx of new players wanting to join the league, a spring season player draft was held for the first time. And, the number of teams increased from 8 to 9 teams.

MVUDSS league games are played on Monday mornings at the Big League Dreams Sports Park in Perris. The league offers tournamentcaliber 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 2021 are eligible to play in the upcoming Fall 2020 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 seven local teams and two out-of-area teams from North San Diego County and Ontario and continues to attract new players from around Southern California."

The Fall 2020 Season will start in early September 2020 and run through early January 2021. Players and teams interested in participating should contact Steve Baranick, 951-870-0114, <u>stephenbaranick@gmail.com</u> or visit the league website <u>http://www.mvudss.org/</u>.