

Dear Coach,

The Lee County Parks & Recreation cordially invites you and your team to play in the Gene Cusic Collegiate Softball Classic in the "City of Palms" Fort Myers, Florida. If you have not decided where to play your spring break softball games next year, Lee County Parks & Recreation would like for you to consider the "Cusic."

The "Cusic" has welcomed college and university softball teams for over three decades here in sunny Southwest Florida. This year the "Cusic" will host teams from **Friday, February 26**TH through **Monday, March 29**TH of **2021**. We strive to make your trip memorable and pleasant starting with providing the lowest prices in state at \$100.00 per game and no charge for registration for your team. In addition, we provide all of the game balls and provide each team with one two-hour practice free of charge. For the fans that come and support your team, there is never a fee for parking or admission to the games. The "Cusic" softball games are played at the **CenturyLink Sports Complex** and **North Collier Regional Park**.

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CenturyLink Sports Complex (formerly known as Lee County Sports Complex) is composed of five baseball fields, four softball fields, and Hammond Stadium. It is the current spring training home of the Minnesota Twins. It is also the home to two Twins' minor league affiliates, housing both the Ft. Myers Mighty Mussels of the Single A-Advanced Florida State League and the Rookie level



Gulf Coast League Twins. The main stadium was renamed Bill Hammond Stadium late in the 1994 spring season in honor of the Deputy County Commissioner who was instrumental in getting the complex built for the Twins.



North Collier Regional Park is a prime location for adults and children to gather and enjoy beautiful Southwest Florida. It was opened in November 2006. The park has five softball fields, a RecPlex Fitness Complex, a interactive playground, and eight total soccer fields with some of them being newly turfed. It is also the home of Sun-N-Fun Lagoon Water Park.

It is requested that all teams stay in the approved lodging reserved through Lee County Sports Organizing Committee to ensure a great hotel experience. Lee

County Sports Organizing Committee offers a hotel hotline to make reservations easy. They work with all types of accommodations from economy style motels and inns to full-service hotels, suites, or even beachfront condos. You can call toll free **1-888-529-6588** or at <u>https://www.leecountysportshousing.org/</u> to reserve your rooms. They will work with your team's budget, preferences, and game sites to find the best hotel fit for you.

Please consider coming down next spring and enjoy the beautiful weather, beaches, and shops that Southwest Florida has to offer. Register now at <u>http://www.leegov.com/parks/athletics/cusic/registration</u>.

The registration deadline is **Thursday, October 1st**. The payment deadline is **Sunday, November 1st**

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Your Cusic Softball Staff,

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(BOTH DATES ARE OPEN FOR SUBMISSIONS UNTIL 11:59 PM {Eastern Standard Time} OF THE EXPIRATION DATE) CenturyLink Sports Complex – 14100 6 Mile Cypress Pkwy Fort Myers, FL 33912 United States North Collier Regional Park – 15000 Livingston Rd Naples, FL 34109 United States