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**River Cats Independence Field To Help Fulfill 71-Year-Old Great-grandmother's Wish and Also Host Youth Baseball League Game:
Saturday, September 15**

Sacramento, California, September 13, 2007—The Department of Parks and Recreation's Access Leisure program continues to make the wishes of people with disabilities come true through its sports and recreation programs. Access Leisure and the Twilight Wish Foundation invite the media to cover the fulfillment of two wishes: the wish of a 71-year-old great-grandmother to finally hit a pitched ball in spite of her visual disability, and the wish of youth with disabilities to play America's favorite pass-time.

Access Leisure is an award-winning program that enriches the lives of people with disabilities through sports, recreation, and social programs. The Twilight Wish Foundation grants the wishes of elders who have spent their lives serving others.

River Cats Independence Field (RCIF), the site where the wishes will be fulfilled, is a fully accessible field for players with disabilities. RCIF was built with the understanding that sports and recreation should be accessible to all. RCIF has been making the wishes of local athletes with disabilities come true for years and this Saturday it will do the same for a Grass Valley great-grandmother whose visual disability has kept her from ever hitting a ball with a bat.

Details:

Event: Fulfillment of 71-Year-Old Great-grandmother's Wish and Access Leisure Youth Baseball Game
Date: Saturday, September 15, 2007
Time: 5:00p.m. - 5:30p.m. – Interviews with Wish Maker
5:30p.m. - 6:00p.m. – Wish Fulfillment
6:00p.m. - 8:15p.m. – RCIF Youth Baseball Play
Location: River Cats Independence Field
2450 Meadowview Road, Sacramento

Media-related questions about this event can be forwarded to Hindolo Brima, Public Information Officer, Department of Parks and Recreation, (916) 808-5972.

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