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DIXIE BOYS BASEBALL, INC. 2012 DIXIE BOYS WORLD SERIES

Dixie Boys Baseball, Inc. awarded the bid for the 2012 Dixie Boys World Series to Covington/Newton County, Georgia. The bid was accepted at a 2010 meeting held in Christiansburg, Virginia.

Covington/Newton County, Georgia was the unanimous choice site for the 2012 Dixie Boys World Series. Tommy Hailey, Newton County Recreation Director presented an impressive bid for the Board members in attendance at the 2010 World Series. J. Sandy Jones, Commissioner/CEO stated: "We are very pleased to have the opportunity to visit Covington for our 2012 event. Covington/Newton County has a very rich tradition of hosting quality Dixie Boys Baseball, Inc. World Series events. The Newton County Recreation Commission is fully supportive of the event and everyone in attendance will be treated to a wonderful World Series experience. The 2012 event will mark our fifth visit (record breaking) to Covington, Georgia for a World Series. I can assure you that you will see Dixie Boys Baseball at its' finest in Covington."

City of Covington Mayor, Kimberly Carter commented, "Covington/Newton County continues to have first class recreation facilities under the leadership of executive director Tommy Hailey and his board of directors led by Johnny Presley. I can assure you there is something to offer for enjoyment to each person in attendance at the tournament. We will roll out the red carpet and treat the Dixie Boys to great southern hospitality."

Hunter Hall, President of the Covington/Newton County Chamber of Commerce stated, "The Covington/Newton County area offers many playing fields and sports facilities that have produced many award winning teams, as well as staff. The entire Newton County area absolutely loves and embraces events like this, because it gives us the chance to treat our guests to some good old southern hospitality. This is the type of environment the World Series should be surrounded by. Covington/Newton County is a highly hospitable community and looks forward to hosting the 2012 Dixie Boys World Series."

City Pond Complex will provide an excellent venue as host site for the Dixie Boys World Series. Excellent playing fields with ample parking are available for everyone. The leadership and staff of the Newton County Recreation Commission have years of experience in hosting major events. An excellent geographical location along with a baseball oriented community citizen base will be important factors in the success of the event. The two Dixie Boys fields located in the complex have fence distances set a 300'. Six (6) batting tunnels are on site and the playing fields are equipped with modern lighting. The expansive control building on site includes adequate restroom facilities, complete concessions, hospitality room, first aid room and a complete press box for each playing field. Two picnic areas are also located on the premises.

One of the many highlights of the week-long event will be the Opening Ceremonies. A festive opening event will be held in the beautiful and historic downtown area. Teams and coaches will be recognized in a manner that will certainly excite everyone in attendance. As the event nears, details regarding the series may be obtained by visiting the Newton County Recreation website at: www.newtonrecreation.com