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Westmoreland County Commissioners set to honor Little League World Series Champions, The West Point Junior All Stars Girls Softball Team

Westmoreland County Commissioners, Chuck Anderson, Tyler Courtney and Ted Kopas are pleased to announce that the West Point Junior All Stars Girls Softball World Series Champions have been invited to the Courthouse Courtyard on Friday, September 19, 2014 at 3:30 PM to be presented with a Proclamation honoring their World Series Championship. In addition, the young athletes and their coaches and manager will each be presented with a Certificate of Special Recognition.

Proclamations and certificates are normally read and presented during a Commissioners' Public Meeting and while the Commissioners read the Proclamation at the September 11, 2014 meeting for the official record, the Commissioners' chose a time when the team and their families could be there to present the Proclamation and Certificates.

All 3 Commissioners are scheduled to attend the Proclamation event along with the team, coaches, manager, family, friends and supporters. Commissioner Courtney stated, "This is a big deal and an accomplishment that these young ladies will remember for the rest of their lives. Organized sports provide a great opportunity for young adults to learn how to work together to achieve their goals." Commissioner Anderson concurred noting that, "West Point's title shows that when you work with dedication, as a team, greatness is within your grasp." Commissioner Kopas declared, "It takes a lot of hard work, dedication and teamwork to be champions. I tip my cap to these fine young role models and can only hope the Pirates follow their lead."

The 2013-2014 West Point Junior All Stars Softball Team finished their regular season with 15 wins and 1 loss, outscoring opponents 152-16. They defeated Mexicali, Mexico 6-2 in Kirkland Washington on August 16, 2014. Nine players attend Hempfield Area High School: Jordan Bernard, Morgan Ryan, Olivia Glosner, Megan Monzo, Ali Belgiovane, Jenna Osikowicz, Maddie Uschock, Autumn Beasley, and Stacey Walling. Three players attend Greater Latrobe High School: Kendall Belak, Morgan Schweizer, and Angela DiOrio. All played vital roles in this major accomplishment. Coach Jeff Monzo, Coach Alex Belgiovane, and Manager Shelly Ryan kept the team motivated and focused throughout the All Star season and World Series Championship.