

Welcome to the 2003 AAU Junior Olympic Games







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Dear Athletes, Coaches and Parents:

Congratulations! You have worked hard to master your sport and now you have earned the opportunity to compete at the AAU XXXVII Junior Olympic Games in the great city of Detroit. We are absolutely delighted to enjoy the hospitality and the vitality of this area. I hope that you will take advantage of the many attractions and restaurants The Motor City has to offer.

We look forward to the *Celebration of Athletes*, which always provides spectacular entertainment. That evening is a "get to know you" event that you won't want to miss! Take some time to meet and greet your fellow athletes from other states and share some of your exciting experiences. The *Celebration of Athletes* has changed dramatically from the past years. You will have the opportunity to exchange pins, e-mail addresses and other souvenirs with your new-found friends.

Be proud of your accomplishments and remember, as you compete in your sport you are making history. Share your enthusiasm with everyone around you and you will reap the rewards of life long friendships being ignited.

This booklet contains important information and schedules for this year's competition. Please use it to your advantage, whether you are competing or participating as a spectator.

We are excited to announce the future sites for the AAU Junior Olympic Games as follows: 2004 - Des Moines, IA; 2005 - New Orleans, LA; 2006 - Hampton Roads, VA; 2007 - Knoxville, TN. We look forward to seeing you often to share this rewarding experience.

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