

HANNAH ELLIS SELECTED FOR INTERNATIONAL SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT IN AREZZO, ITALY

My name is Hannah Ellis and I am currently a junior at Peninsula Catholic High School in Newport News, VA. Last summer I was nominated by a college coach to represent the United States in an International USA All Star Softball Team in Arezzo, Italy. The USA Athletes International (USA AI) was the sponsoring organization. During this 10-day trip we visited Rome, Sienna, Pisa, and Arezzo, Italy.



“Leaning” on my Mom in Pisa, Italy

During this trip we participated in a four day “Tuscany Classic” Softball Tournament. Our USA team played eight games against other European teams from Germany, Bulgaria, Austria, and Italy. I pitched, played shortstop and left field. Overall our team finished in second place in this “Tuscany Classic” Tournament. The Italian team “Tuscany Pirates” came in first place.



My teammate Elizabeth (another pitcher) and our Coach Chuck celebrating our second place trophy

I have been coming to Rita Lynn since I was 10 years old and she has taught me so much. So much so – I’ve been asked again by USA AI to represent the USA in the summer of 2009 on another International Softball Team – this time in Holland. I can’t wait!!



Going up to bat against the “Tuscany Pirates”