

GREG PALUMBO

I started playing Stamford Legion baseball when I was 13 years old and stopped only when they told me I had to. For seven years I gave my blood, sweat, and tears as a player and received the same, and more, from the coaching staff. My greatest memory as a player actually came in an exhibition game against the Stamford Babe Ruth All-Stars. My younger brother Nick and I turned a 6-4-3 double play (thanks to a nifty pick at first by Joe Casino after an errant throw by me). Having an opportunity to play with Nick, who is five years my junior, was something I could only experience in a Legion uniform. After my 19-year old season, I traded in my bat for a fungo and took my chances as a coach. At first I was skeptical about the transition but I remember telling myself, as long as I elicit half the passion and give my players half the time my coaches gave me I would be alright. Three years later I have a State and Regional Championship plaque hanging in my cubicle and a State runner-up plaque hanging in my room.



Greg is currently an FX Account Executive for Citigroup. He has been with the company for two years in it's New York City office, while residing in Stamford. His parents, Steve and Anne, have been long-standing Stamford Legion volunteers; his younger brothers Nick and Joe both played Stamford Legion Baseball; and his sister Stephanie works in the fashion industry. Greg failed to mention his game-winning, walk-off double in the 2009 Ralph Giansanti Tournament Final held in South Windsor, and a diving catch he made at second base in 2008 preserving a tie game in State Tournament action.