

Younger Naturals



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Turns out, the Naturals weren't the first baseball team in the area to be called "Naturals."

The Arkansas Naturals, a 10-year-old USSSA baseball team made up of 10 area players, first started using the nickname two years ago when the team was put together.

"It took us a while to come up with the name, but once we had the name, we thought it was perfect and we even trademarked it," Naturals manager Duane Scoggins said. "Little did we know that two months later that a vote would go through wanting to call the new minor league team the same name."

Scoggins said he received a call from Edelstein, who asked if the minor league team could acquire the rights to the Naturals nickname.

"Eric told me if they could have the rights to the name, they'd adopt our team as their youth adopted affiliate," Scoggins said. "And it's been completely great."

As an affiliate, the 10-year-old Naturals get to wear the same uniforms as the minor league team, Scoggins said.

