

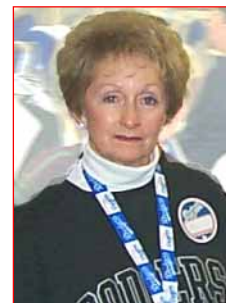


President's Corner . . . Monico Zamora

Hello Everyone . . . With the season going as we have expected it, our Boys in Blue are giving it their all, even with some distractions.

Our club will have had its biggest night of the season on May 22nd with presenting our Booster Club awards, the First Pitch ceremony and Kids to the Field. We have a lot of other events planned, so get involved, and see you at the park.

Ticket Talk . . . Mae Rosenkranz



Homestands 5 & 6 will be available for pick up at the June 8th meeting. Here's how the games in this homestand are selling to date: 6/17, Oakland - 48 tickets ordered and only 15 tickets sold so far; 6/27, Seattle – 48 ordered and all 48 sold; and 6/30, Col (KTF) – 84 originally ordered & now lowered to 48 and have sold 25 so far. The 6/30 game is one of our KTF games when our junior members will be running out on the field to start the game. So, come on out and support them.

FYI – the 7/16 game will be Manny's first home game after he returns and guess what? It is on our Projection Sheet. I ordered 48 tickets for that game and have only sold 7 so far. Don't you want to be there for the excitement of his homecoming? Tickets for this game are on a first-come, first-served basis and we will not be ordering any additional tickets.

Why all this talk about tickets ordered and, more importantly, the number of tickets sold? As a "group" account, the preferential ticket pricing we are afforded is predicated on ordering a minimum of 30 tickets for each game listed on our Projection Sheet. For over half of the games through homestand 6, we have not sold the required minimum per game.

Some other glaring examples, in addition to the ones above, include 4/2 – only sold 10 tickets, 4/17 – only sold 14, 5/5 – only sold 4 and 5/7 – only sold 3. If we do not start buying more tickets per game, we may well lose our super saver rates of \$18 and \$12 for wheelchairs and the Dodgers would require us to pay full price - \$28 & \$22 for all games.

In addition the number of tickets we sell during the season has a direct impact on the number of playoff tickets we are offered to purchase in the post season. Fewer tickets purchased during the regular season will mean fewer tickets available for the playoffs.

Remember, once you qualify for playoff tickets by attending the 5 meetings, those playoff tickets are then allocated based on the number of games you buy tickets for during the regular season.

The more games you attend, the greater the chance you will get a shot at attending the first game of each playoff series.

At the last meeting, members were asked to fill out a short survey in an effort to help the board re-examine the games selected for this season to make possible adjustments. Thanks for all your input.

So, like we suggested at the meeting, take another look at your Projection Sheet and order some more tickets to support not only our Boys in Blue but our CLUB too!

Since our giveaway crew dates have been decreased, how about the Giveaway crew stepping up to

the plate and purchasing some more tickets! It's easy to order tickets. Just call me at 000.000.0000 (home) or 000.000.0000 (cell) or email me at 000000@000.COM. I'll be waiting for your call or email.

Your 2009 Booster Club Officers . . .

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June Birthdays

6/02 – Becky Fineroff
 6/02 – Priscilla Graves
 6/02 – Cordelia Martinez
 6/03 – Barbara Katz
 6/06 – Paul Lopez
 6/06 – Albert Martinez
 6/07 – Brian Campbell
 6/07 – Edward Cates
 6/07 – McKitrick Chabot
 6/07 – Jesse Fraire
 6/07 – Sandra Magallanes
 6/07 – Mary Walsh
 6/12 – Angela Davis
 6/13 – Manuel Abril
 6/14 – Ryan Nosco
 6/14 – David Thacker
 6/15 – Armida Vasquez
 6/16 – Johnny Zepeda
 6/18 – Ralph Kaye
 6/18 – Zulema Diaz
 6/21 – Johnathon Cisneros
 6/21 – Jorge Garcia, Jr.
 6/27 – June Arellano
 6/27 – Tyler Turquand
 6/28 – Kyle Warner
 6/29 – Herb Hammann

Membership Notes . . . Sandy Zamora

I have one thing to say about our general meetings, BE THERE EARLY! Our May general meeting was so well attended there was standing room only. We had 106 members in attendance. So again be there early, especially at our next meeting where the raffle will take place for the LG LCD Flat Screen TV. I hope you have all bought your tickets.

Your discount cards were mailed in last month's newsletter. If you have any questions or corrections, please notify either John Eiden or myself to try to answer your concerns. The Rookie Cards (First Year Members) were also made available at the last general meeting. If you were unable to attend, please be sure to make it to this next meeting to pick yours up.

As a reminder, if you sign up 10 new members in 2009 you will receive a free membership in 2010. Some of you are doing a great job of doing just that, recruiting new members.

Let's welcome our newest members, ANDREW AND MARIA CAMERON from Ontario, JOHN AND MCKITRICK CHABOT from Riverside, THERESA AND ANTHONY NUNEZ from Los Angeles, LUPE ALVAREZ from Huntington Park, ROSABELL SILVA from Hacienda Heights and HEAVEN DIAZ from Montebello. To one and all, WELCOME!

AZ D'Backs Trip . . .

We're still planning to go to Phoenix to watch the Dodgers battle the D'backs over the weekend of 8/14, 8/15 and 8/16. While the final ticket price will depend on the number of tickets ordered, we are looking at tickets in the \$20 range.

Come to the June meeting to sign up and to find out more. In addition, you may also contact JJ Sells at 000.000.0000 to find out more or to ask questions.

The last week of July will be the deadline to order tickets. So, don't wait, order now and join us for a great time and a great game!

May Meeting . . .

JJ did so well running last month's meeting when Monico wasn't there, Monico decided to let JJ run this one too to see for himself. Well, JJ did another brilliant job of running the "show".

Board member Carlos Uribe offered to take over selling sodas at the meetings and tonight was his first chance to show off his wares to a very thirsty crowd.

This year's new Years of Membership recipients were all recognized and handed their new cards. The wait was also finally over for all the new members who had been patiently waiting for their membership cards as they were handed out too. Mae had some sobering news to share about the state of our ticket sales and the potential for problems from the Dodgers. Be sure to read her "Tickets Talk" article for all the details.

There were a number of changes announced regarding this year's blood drive, including the absence of our scheduled guest speaker. Please read the "Red Cross Blood Drive Update" article for all the latest development there.

After some great raffle items found new homes and John Aston recounted his Opening Day experience, this meeting was history!

The time has come . . .

YOUR chance to win the 32 Inch LG HDTV will be at the next meeting. You

can still purchase tickets at the June meeting,

and you must be present to win. There will be a surprise announcement at the meeting about an additional prize that will be added to this raffle, but you must be there to take advantage! A great big Thank-You again to Edward Chung of Viola A/V for donating the TV for this great cause! **Be sure to attend the June Meeting!**



Giveaway Crew Update . . . Sandy Zamora

Congratulations giveaway volunteers for doing such a great job so far this season. This past month we received our first check from the Dodgers for \$525. Your hard work is truly appreciated.

There are a couple of changes made to our 2009 projected giveaway dates. In the beginning of the season we were scheduled to work five firework night giveaway dates. Those dates have now been canceled. I believe the Dodgers first thought they were going to be giving away something those nights but have since decided not to.

So our services are no longer needed for those five Friday night games, which were 5/8, 6/5, 7/17, 7/24 and 10/2. Fireworks are still scheduled for those dates, it's just the accompanying giveaway that has been canceled. That was the bad news. The good news is that the Dodgers have asked us to help out on other planned giveaway dates, plus a few new giveaway dates just added to the schedule.

Those dates are, 5/20 - Casey Blake Bobblehead, 6/4 and 6/9 (giveaway items to be determined) and 7/26 - Webkinz Pet giveaway. We also have the following dates which were already on our calendar for the next month, 6/10 - Cooler Bag and 6/28 Webkinz Pet. I have been asked to bring 20 volunteers ONLY to each of those games.

I truly appreciate the fact that many of you are eager to sign up to work, but I will have to limit it to only 20 volunteers. So I will be alternating the list of volunteers so that everyone wanting to work can get a chance to do so. Sign up sheets will be available at the next general meeting. Keep up your enthusiasm.



Red Cross Blood Drive Update . . .

After 10 very successful Freeway Series Blood Drives, some changes have taken place for this our 11th drive. **Change #1** – due to a conflict, the Angels organization will not be involved this year. Good News – the Angels Booster Club is still very much committed to making this a successful event as is the Dodgers organization.

Change #2 - because of the first one, the date of this year's blood drive has been moved to Saturday, June 13th from 9 AM to 3 PM and Anaheim stadium will NOT be a donor site. A suitable replacement is being secured.

Good News – because of the date change, we have secured a 7th donor site – the LAPD Training Academy adjacent to Dodger Stadium. The other sites mentioned last time are still the same: Glendale Memorial Hospital and Red Cross Donor Centers in Pasadena, Long Beach, Pomona, and Laguna Nigel.

Change #3 - involves a name change. Apparently we cannot use the phrase "Freeway Series" for this blood drive. A coolly suitable name is in the works and will be unveiled at the June meeting, which brings me to . . .

change #4 - Geri Hernandez of the American Red Cross will be at our June 8th meeting to share all the latest details of this very important event and give us flyers and posters to distribute to encourage donations.

It also looks like we will be staffing an information & signup table at Dodger Stadium during the homestand preceding the June 13th drive. Some members did sign up at the May meeting to help with this important task but we can certainly use more members stepping up to help out.

We also need more members to step up to the plate and volunteer to help with the staffing requirements we will need at all the sites the day of the blood drive. With the exception of the Laguna Nigel site, we really do need a strong Dodger Booster presence at all the locations.

If you haven't had a chance to sign up to help out, please feel free to call any of the co-chairs listed below to sign up. It's just a couple hours of your time when the Dodgers are on the road and we really do need the help. If you make an appointment to donate blood that day, we certainly won't ask any more of you, but what about the rest of you?

Be sure to come to the June meeting to find out the latest and to sign up to help out or donate blood. If you have any questions or want to sign up, please call John Eiden at 000.000.0000, Manny Galindo at 000.000.0000 or Dorothy Wylie at 000.000.0000.

2009 Meeting Dates

January 12th
 February 9th
 March 9th
 April 6th
 May 11th
 June 8th
 July 13th
 August 10th
 September 14th
 October 5th
 November 9th
 December – No Meeting

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Sodas For Sale . . .



As a convenience for the members, board member Carlos Uribe has started selling sodas and water at the meetings for 75 cents. He will start off with a supply of water, along with a couple kinds of regular and diet sodas, making adjustments as demand dictates!

Dodgers & Angels In Anaheim . . . Larry Lamb

I have purchased group tickets to the game on Saturday, June 20th, when the Dodgers play the Angels at Angel Stadium. Please note game time has been changed to 6 PM. The tickets are \$22 and are located in the upper deck, down the 3rd base line. I only have 6 tickets left.

To get yours before they are all gone, please contact me at 000.000.0000, ext 00 or email me at 0000000@0000.net.

In Brief . . .

Booster Club Family Picnic – we are planning to once again hold our annual picnic sometime later in the summer. We hope to have the date and location announced in the next newsletter. Come to the June meeting to sign up to help plan this always fun and exciting club event.

Ice Cream Social – we will once again hold our ice cream social at our August 10th meeting. This is always a fun event, you won't want to miss this one!

Bluetopia, the LA Dodgers Movie – you may recall our meeting last July was filmed by Timothy Marx for a documentary he was doing which focused on Dodger fans during the 50th anniversary season. With well over 200 hours filmed and having to whittle it down to a palatable 90 minutes, our meeting ended up on the cutting room floor. If you watch the final cut, and I hope you do because it is really very well worth it, you will find the names of two booster members thanked in the credits – Emma Amaya and Un-Hui Yi.

Although some extended interviews he had with these two did not make the final cut, you can see both of them briefly on screen towards the end. Congrats to you both!

Baby Boys In Blue . . .

Let's Go See Our Baby Boys in Blue Play! Because last year's end-of-season trek out to San Bernardino to see our Baby Boys in Blue play was so wildly successful, we simply have no choice but to do it all over again!

We plan to go out to Arrowhead Credit Union Park to watch the Inland Empire 66ers play the High Desert Mavericks on Saturday, August 29th at 7:05 PM. As if that wasn't enough, following the game will be a spectacular fireworks show.

We will sit in the Executive Box seats near the 66ers dugout. The tickets cost \$8. They also have a BBQ Party area similar to the Dodgers All-You-Can-Eat Right Field Pavilion that costs \$23, including your game ticket. Since food prices there are similar to Dodger Stadium, just a couple hot dogs and you've spent at least \$12.

In addition to hot dogs, they serve grilled hamburgers, BBQ Chicken, potato salad, beans, peanuts, chips, really great chocolate chip cookies, soda and water. Although this requires just a minimum of 25 guests, we have gone ahead and ordered for 50, based on last year's attendance. You may choose to either sign up for the pre-game BBQ party, with the game ticket, or just sign up for a game ticket. Parking is \$4 but the 66ers are offering \$2 pre-paid parking vouchers.

So, IF you sign up for pre-paid parking at the June or July meetings only, you will receive your pre-paid parking voucher at the August meeting. The game tickets will still be at will-call to pick up the day of the game as before.

We are also working with the organization to once again host a post-game meal for the players and coaches to give you all a chance to meet and get your first glimpses of the Dodgers of the future. There will be no charge for this event.

So, come on out and join in on the unique and special fun that is a minor league game and support our Baby Boys in Blue! There's plenty of time for you to talk with your family, friends, neighbors and coworkers to bring a group out to see the Dodgers of the Future play and have a really great time doing it.

Signups will start at the June meeting and continue to the August meeting. We'll start collecting the money for the tickets at the July meeting with final payment due no later than the August 10th meeting. The August edition will contain the final details plus all the directions and instructions you'll need for a grand time. See ya there!

