

President's Corner . . . JJ Sells

Fellow Boosters – well, it's that time of the year and what a finish it was. Up by 3 to down by 2 to tie in the second to last game to the one game playoff...what a season!

As I write this article, I'm heading off to Game 2 of the NLDS with us holding a 1-0 series' lead against the Braves. Will this series and this championship season end in jubilation or another bittersweet end? I for one will be there through the joy and excitement and hopefully not the disappointment...will you? And if not, ask yourself why not?

It's not too late to plan for next season and spring training because, as you read this article, we may be the champions of the world! Wouldn't that be something? See you at the ballpark



Ticket Talk . . . Mae Rosenkranz

The season has certainly been exciting and, as I write this, we are in the Post Season heading toward the NLCS and World Series. The one question I am asked a lot is "What happens if we brought tickets and a playoff game isn't played?" And your answer is – for those who purchased tickets through the Mini Plan; your money will be refunded after the post season, probably in December, or it can be rolled over for the 2019 season.

Those who purchased tickets through the Season Ticket Plan, your money will be rolled over into the 2019 season unless you opt out; then it will be refunded, However, from what I can see, those who purchased post season tickets already have put down their deposit for 2019 season tickets. It's not too early to think about which plan you want for purchasing your 2019 tickets!

You can still put down a \$150 deposit for a commitment and picking game order as to how many games you would like to attend in 2019 in the Season Ticket Plan.

Bring your checkbook to the November meeting to sign up and pay. If you want to hop on board our 2019 Season Ticket train sooner, just give me a call now! And since we again this year had such poor participation in trying to order tickets for any additional games, we will not be putting out a Projection Sheet for the 2019 season. If there will be any special giveaways the Dodgers do include after the initial ones are announced and are not also included in the Mini Plans, then we will try once again for a minimum order. Now I'm on hiatus!



Your 2018 Booster Club Officers . . .

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- Board Member – Michelle Gorum – 000.000.0000
- Board Member – Jeff Marsh – 000.000.0000
- Board Member – Brent Wood – 000.000.0000

Membership Notes . . . Danee Gallegos

The 2018 regular season is now over and what a memorable season it was. Thank you to all the boosters who made 2018 so wonderful. We ended this year with 167 active members. Let's continue to grow our membership for seasons to come by encouraging your family to join the club.

Remember, if you recruit a total of 10 new members, you will be eligible to receive a free membership for the following year. And with our 2019 Membership Drive currently underway, there is no better time to recruit new members to join. Your best bet is to renew online by visiting our website - www.dodgersboosterclub.com.

You can also renew your membership in-person at the next Booster Club meeting. Let's Go Dodgers!

Booster Club Apparel Update. . . Jeff Marsh

Well, the wait is over as the youth shirts have arrived! We have them in all sizes but quantities are limited. So, be sure to get them while you can. Just a reminder, if you have anything you would like to have our Dodger Booster logo embroidered on - jacket, hat, computer bag, hoodie, etc., let me know and we can have this done for a nominal charge. Look forward to seeing everyone at the November meeting and thank you for all your support throughout the year. GO DODGERS !!!

Booster Blog . . . Brent Wood

Ready for some Fall ball? If, after the World Series, you want to watch live baseball, then head to Arizona and the Arizona Fall League. There are six teams in the Arizona Fall League: the Scottsdale Scorpions, the Mesa Solar Sox, the Salt River Rafter, the Glendale Desert Dogs, the Peoria Javelinas and the Surprise Saguaros. The Dodger players are affiliated with the Glendale Desert Dogs. The teams are broken into two divisions, East and West (the Desert Dogs are in the West). The players are selected by their respective Major League team. Each team sends at least six top prospects to play in the Arizona Fall League.

The Glendale Desert Dogs play their games at Camelback Ranch. This year's future Dodgers hopefuls are pitchers Ben Holmes, Nolan Long, Andre Scrubb & Jordan Sheffield; catcher Kelbert Ruiz; infielders Errol Robinson & Jared Walker; and outfielder Cody Thomas. Opening Day is October 9th and the season ends November 15th. For more information, google "Arizona Fall Ball" to visit their website.

Ed Note . . . John Eiden

REMINDER – This edition will be your **last newsletter for 2018**, as we'll have no meeting in December. Instead, we're gonna party and enjoy the holidays while your Booster Bits enjoys a brief holiday as well! Look for the first edition of 2019 to be available online starting the week before our annual meeting on January 14th. Till then, I want to offer my heartfelt wishes to one and all for a most happy, joyful and safe holiday season!

FYI - Your current log-on to access the "Members Only" section of our website will remain the same until we send out an email announcing the new 2019 username and password sometime in late January or early February.

November Birthdays

11/02 - Xavier Contreras
 11/02 - Jim Grant
 11/04 - David Garcia
 11/07 - Theresa Madrid
 11/08 - John Contreras
 11/08 - Johnny Sells
 11/10 - Natalia Carrillo
 11/10 - Debbie Lopez
 11/12 - Yolanda Pinon
 11/13 - Annabelle Uy
 11/13 - Isabelle Uy
 11/16 - Pam Carroll
 11/18 - Cesar Mendoza
 11/19 - Peter Graves
 11/21 - Christian Bidolli
 11/21 - Forrest Wylie
 11/23 - Robert Chavez
 11/29 - Reiko Morimoto

September Meeting Recap . . .

As has been the case for these last 6 years now, the September meeting was dominated by discussing the playoffs and postseason tickets. In addition, because the Dodgers are offering an additional monetary incentive to sign up early for 2019 season tickets, some time was taken by JJ and Mae to help explain the new pricing, how to order tickets, placing a down payment, etc.

Another highlight was when Board Member Brent Wood very patiently was able to successfully walk everyone present through the steps to add our TeamUp calendar onto their cell phones so everyone could now check out the remaining regular season tickets as well as be prepared now to check out ticket availability for the upcoming 2019 season. There were a lot of relieved and very happy faces when that was successfully concluded.

However, the biggest highlight of the meeting took place as soon as everyone got there – our first ever Nacho Bar! Board member Lidia Carrillo had quite the spread laid out for making everyone's nachos just right for every taste. In addition to the chips, there was the choice of adding on yummy melted cheese, beans or grilled chicken. The dazzling array of toppings included such items as sour cream, olives, corn, diced tomatoes, chopped onions, shredded cheese, homemade salsa, and, my personal favorite, "sissy" salsa for those of us with a slightly weaker gastro tolerance.

A great big Dodger Blue Thank-You to Lidia and her husband Esteban, along with her helpers, for making this such a success and the start to a great new tradition! And then, this meeting was history!

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November Meeting Alert. . .

READ ON OR YOU WILL BE SORRY!!! Because the City of Santa Fe Springs will be closed on November 12th, our usual meeting date, in observance of Veteran's Day, we have to move our November meeting to the Monday before that – Monday, November 5th! In addition, since Daylight Savings time ends the day before, so don't forget to turn your clocks back or you'll "wind" up showing up an hour early!

Looking forward to seeing everyone on November 5th for our November meeting where we will nominate members for our upcoming election, conduct other business, eat hot dogs and play Bingo for a great cause. See ya there on-time (and do remember, it's 6:30 pm for this one) and on the right date, November 5th!

Bingo Time Again. . .



For our November 5th meeting, your board is planning another AWESOME event! BINGO! In addition to our brief meeting, we will be serving up hot dogs & chips free of charge, starting at 6:30 PM! Donations are always graciously accepted to help defray club costs. There will also be our usual array of beverages and snacks available for purchase.

The plan for our Dodger Bingo Night will be to focus on playing just a couple games, maybe more if time and interest warrant it. The cost will be \$5 for each game you play which entitles you to play 3 cards for each game. The winner of each game will receive half of the money collected for that game with the club collecting the other half. The proceeds from Bingo, along with our meeting raffle, will be used to help purchase the gifts that Santa Claus will be handing out to our children at this year's Christmas party. The more of you who play, the bigger the winnings!

Keep in mind, these fundraising events are only successful if YOU participate! Family and friends are welcome to take part in the Bingo games. This fun night will begin at 6:30 PM. Look forward to seeing all of YOU there!

December Birthdays

12/07 - Victoria Paez
 12/11 - Cindi Droeger
 12/12 - Kathleen Juran
 12/13 - Greg Bidolli
 12/22 - Robyn Morningstar
 12/22 - Hilary Parkin
 12/25 - Nicholas Quintana
 12/27 - Larry Lamb



Christmas Party Update . . . Mae Rosenkranz

If you haven't already received your invitation in the mail, here's your reminder that it will be held **Sunday December 2nd, 11 AM – 3 PM** at Almansor Court, Salon 1 in Alhambra. Almansor Court has had to increase the prices this year. Therefore, our prices have been increased too; Member Adults - \$42; Paid-in-Full Hall of Fame Members only - \$40; and Adult Guests - \$50. The Child prices, those ages 3 – 10, remain the same at \$12 for members and \$17 for guests.

Santa Claus will make an appearance and have goodies for the all kids 12 and under. We will also have a guest speaker and some great raffle prizes! As we have in past years, we again ask that everyone bring an unwrapped toy to be donated to a nonprofit group who helps make Christmas just a little brighter for our local under-served children. More details regarding this will be shared at the November meeting. This is a great way to start out the Christmas / Holiday Season. Hope to see you at our annual gathering. Sign-up sheets will be at the November meeting and the deadline for signing up and paying is November 23rd.



Free Booster Club Membership!

Recruit 10 NEW members in 2018, and your membership, next year, will be FREE
 NEW members must be signed up & paid before 12/31/18

Must be NEW members, renewals of existing members not applicable. One adult member = one referral, Two Dependent members = one referral. Free membership refers to one year renewal of your existing membership for 2019, after ten new members recruited. Maximum value \$30.00. If you recruit more than ten, the benefits increase. Receive one free raffle ticket for every referral over ten recruited. Recruit 25 members before the party early December, and your 2018 Christmas Party fee will also be free. For more information, you can contact any Board Member, or attend any monthly meeting

Nominations for Board Positions Up for Election in 2019 . . .

It's time now, at the November meeting, to accept nominations for those board positions up for election during our meeting next February! As you know, only half the current board positions are up for election each year for a 2-year term. For 2019, those positions up for election will be President, Secretary, Membership Chair and 2 At-Large Board positions as Michelle Gorum & Brent Wood have completed their current 2-year terms.

If you think you might be interested in helping shape the direction of our club, especially given the new media savvy techno world we now live in, why not run for one of these open positions? Our Election Committee chair will take nominations at the November meeting.

As a reminder, under our by-laws, no nominations can be accepted after they have been closed at that meeting nor are write-in candidates permitted on the ballot. Feel free to check out your By-Laws and Attachment A – Electing the Board of Directors by viewing them in our “Members Only” section on our website.

All nominees are then invited to submit a campaign statement to be included in the February edition of our newsletter as well as being invited to speak to the members at our January meeting about their qualifications and why they ought to be elected. Once nominated, all nominees must pay their 2019 membership dues by no later than the January meeting to be eligible for the election at the February meeting.

As a reminder, the election was switched to the February meeting so as to be able to properly hand out ballots to eligible voters, and avoid the long lines to renew that occurred in the past when our election was held at the January meeting.

In order to be eligible to vote in February's election, members must have 1) been an active member by no later than September 14th of the prior year, and 2) have renewed their 2019 membership by no later than the January 14th meeting.

Those members who have renewed by the January meeting deadline will then be mailed a ballot of the nominated candidates later that month, in advance of the election itself at the February 11th meeting. There will be more details in our January edition but if you have any questions or concerns now, please feel free to contact any board member or come with them to the November meeting to discuss. See ya there!

2018 Meeting Dates

Monday, January 8th
 Monday, February 12th
 Monday, March 5th
 Monday, April 9th
 Monday, May 14th
 Monday, June 11h
 Monday, July 9th
 Monday, August 13th
 Monday, September 10th
 Monday, November 5th
 Christmas Brunch, TBA

November Meeting Fundraiser . . . Michelle Gorum

Hello Boosters. Good-bye summer, hello fall. Time to bring out those light sweaters and Dodger blankets. You don't have one yet? Great, 'cause I'll have some in this month's raffle.

The proceeds from this raffle, along with the money raised by our Bingo games, will be used towards purchasing the gifts that Santa will be handing out to the kids at this year's annual Christmas party. Hope to see everyone there at the meeting and at the Christmas party.



Photo Gallery



Meeting, Nacho Bar servers & diners



Lidia & Esteban Carrillo & Nacho Bar



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