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President's Corner ... JJ Sells

Fellow Boosters – as you read this edition, spring training is in full swing and Opening Day is right around the corner. The off-season sure went fast. It seems like we were just at the ballpark for the World Series. Just for the record, I'm not complaining as I missed going to games the day after the season ended.

As much as last year ended in disappointment, I am truly looking forward to seeing this year's edition. Although I will admit I'm a little disappointed with what we did in the off-season, I do believe we are strong enough to contend in the National League.

However, I believe both the Yankees and Red Sox are stronger on paper than the team we will field but then again the games are played on the field and not on paper. So, with that, I can't wait to see you all at the ballpark!



Ticket Talk . . . Mae Rosenkranz

Opening Day 2019 on March 28th is literally just around the corner and another exciting season is about to begin. Those who ordered Opening Day tickets will receive them digitally around the weekend of March 16th-17th.

For you **Mini Planners**, your 4th and final payment is due by March 8th and those who have already ordered Season Tickets, your final payment is due by March 22nd.

Save the Date - May 6th Awards / 1st Pitch / KTF Night at Dodger Stadium. Tickets for this game are \$25, \$18 for handicapped. We are taking orders now with full payment due by April 1st. At the March 11th meeting, we will be drawing names for the First Pitch and Kids to the Field along with voting on the recipients of our awards.

March Birthdays

- 3/05 Phil Squyres 3/06 - Manny Galindo 3/08 - Michelle Gorum 3/18 - Jerry Berman 3/20 - Annette Alexander
- 3/20 Steve Sameshima
- 3/22 Marti Squvres
- 3/23 Caroline Lopez
- 3/23 Noah Leanos
- 3/25 John Eiden
- 3/27 Olivia Leanos

Please see the separate article for all the details about doing this for our special night on the field and come on out and support the Booster Club. Don't forget to look at our TeamUp app for games still available through our season ticket plan.

2019 Meeting Dates

Monday, January 14th Monday, February 11th Monday, March 11th Monday, April 8th Monday, May 13th Monday, June 10h Monday, July 8th Monday, August 12th Monday, September 9th Monday, November 4th Christmas Brunch, TBA

Membership Notes . . . Danee Gallegos

2019 is off to another amazing start! As of our February Booster meeting, the club has received a total of **115 renewed memberships and 2 new members**. Thank you all for joining us once again this season. If you have not renewed, please do so now to avoid missing out on club perks.

Remember, if you recruit 10 new members this year, you will be eligible to receive a **FREE** membership. So, please keep referring your friends and family to join the club. It's also time to do a badge check. As you know, for members who forget to wear their badges at the meetings, you get to donate \$1 to the club. If you'd like to order a replacement, it's a \$6 fee.

As a reminder, the best way to renew your membership, add members, order a replacement badge or printed newsletters, please go visit our website, **dodgersboosterclub.com**. Otherwise, you can also do this in-person at any one of our monthly meetings.



Booster Merchandise Update... Jeff Marsh

The latest item in our Dodger Booster swag will be the new clear bags with blue trim that zips closed and will have



Dodgers vs. Arizona Diamondbacks Thursday, March 28th at 1:10 PM

our Dodger Booster Club logo on it. Place an order now for yours. We should have them in time for our April meeting.

The cost will be \$15. And we are working on other things, but as always if you have any suggestions please let me know.

2018 Booster Club Awards ...

It is time once again for all the fun and excitement that goes along with selecting the recipients for our annual club awards saluting Dodger achievements during the past 2018 season! We have 3 permanent awards set up and our task at the March meeting will be to decide who

among all our great nominees from this past season will receive our accolades.

The first will be the 31st annual Ed Enterline Memorial Award to recognize the Dodger who best embodies the true spirit of the Dodgers. The second one will be the 27th annual Carmen Delsi Memorial Award to recognize the season's outstanding Dodger rookie. The last one is the 18th annual Ruth Wilcox Memorial Award given to the Most Valuable Player. We will present the winners with their plaques at a pre-game ceremony on the field along with the other events we do for our annual Booster Club Night at Dodger Stadium.

This year, it will take place on Monday May 6th just before the Dodgers take on the Atlanta Braves. You can order tickets for this game at the March meeting but first, you will want to take part in this always spirited and fun-filled selection process – see ya at the meeting!

Quake Players Apartment Baskets . . . Brenda Marsh

My thanks to all our <u>generous Booster members</u> who contributed household items for our four Quakes players apartment baskets at our February Booster meeting. **Debbie & Frank Grieci** from the Quakes Booster Club were at our meeting to pick up the baskets as well as talk to us about how much we help out the players with all we provide.

At our March Booster meeting, I will again collect donations for the players' baskets. We

Your 2019 Booster Club Officers ...

President - JJ Sells - 000.000.0000 Vice President - Alicia Trujillo - 000.000.0000 Secretary - John Eiden - 000.000.0000 Treasurer - Olivia Armenta - 000.000.0000 Ticket Chair - Mae Rosenkranz - 000.000.0000 Membership - Danee Gallegos - 000.000.0000 Membership - Brenda Marsh - 000.000.0000 Board Member - Lidia Carrillo - 000.000.0000 Board Member - Jeff Marsh - 000.000.0000 Board Member - Pat Moore - 000.000.0000 Board Member - Brent Wood - 000.000.0000 Past President - Monico Zamora - 000.000.0000 still need Tide or other laundry pods; sponges; Ziploc bags (sandwich & gallon size); and cleaning wipes.

Our booster member Clyle Alt, as a member of the Quakes Booster Club, has added these suggestions for us to also collect – paper plates & napkins, plastic cups, along with canned food items such as soups, chili and stews for the boys to keep in their cupboards.

All of these items are so helpful to the players and help support our future Dodgers. Whether you weren't able to donate items at the last meeting or feel the urge to add to your donation,

I will be collecting items again at the March meeting. You are welcome to contact me at 000.000.0000 with any questions. Thanks again to all who have already donated!

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Booster Club Night at the Stadium ...

What will YOU be doing on Monday, May 6th? Like many of us, probably recovering from our absolutely amazing Cinco de Mayo celebration down in San Diego the day before! But more importantly, where will YOU be that day? At Dodger Stadium of course! You've got to be there before the game to witness our club's big night to shine as

we hand out our annual club awards, followed by our First Pitch ceremony and lastly, watching our Kids Take the Field! Alright! Booster Club Awards – Your board members will first hand out our annual Dodger awards to those specilal and

deserving Dodgers whom the club selects at the March meeting.

First Pitch Crew – Ever wonder what it'd be like to be at the mound and throw a ball like Kershaw or catch one at the plate like Barnes or Martin? Well, now's your chance to possibly find out, but only if you show up at the March meeting! Each All-Star and Hall of Fame member (except your board members) will receive one ticket to be included in the drawing that night for a chance to take part in our annual First Pitch ceremony. Each member will also be handed an additional ticket for EACH meeting attended so far this year, up to 2. The number of additional tickets given is based solely on the sign-in sheet at the meetings (yet another reason to remember to sign in at each meeting!) Two tickets will be drawn with the first person choosing whether to pitch or catch. Please note the "catcher" gets to keep the ball. Two more tickets will be drawn to select alternates in the event someone cannot make it that night. YOU must be present at the meeting when the drawing is held and there's no transferring this privilege to another member should you win.

Kids Take the Field – The names of 8 of our minor league members (ages 5-14 only) will also be selected at random at the March meeting to take part in running onto the field with the players to start the game that night. The kids do NOT have to be present at the March meeting in order to win a spot. A few alternates will also be selected just in case any of the winners won't be able to participate. Mae will contact the families of the kids selected to make sure each one is available and to order game tickets. Again, there is no transferring this privilege to another minor league member.

Don't forget that ALL winners must purchase their tickets from the club in order to take part that night. See ya there at the March meeting for your chance to join in on all the fun!

Exciting 2019 Silent Auction . . .



We are looking forward to another exciting Silent Auction sometime later this summer. Right now we are shooting for the July All-Star Break meeting. As in the past, we are looking to have an array of Dodger memorabilia and other great sports collectibles to bid upon. For this one though, we are looking to expand beyond those items to offer a wider array of other great items to auction off. Board member Pat Moore has taken up the challenge to organize and run this year's Silent Auction. She's quite excited and enthusiastic about taking this on and already has some great ideas she wants to explore. However, she cannot do this alone. To make this really work, we will need all of us taking part in some fashion or another. So, in addition to taking a minute to peruse your own Dodger items, as

you frequent your local restaurants, retailers, sporting goods stores, beauty salons, ice cream, yogurt, donut shops, etc, we suggest you take a moment and ask whether any of these establishments would be interested in donating something for our silent auction. We plan to put together a fact sheet about the club and explain how their donations would be of benefit to help you explain just who we are and to answer any other inevitable questions.

In the months ahead, we will bring you updates regarding how you can help out, ideas to pursue for donations and other info to make this the biggest and best Silent Auction yet. If you would like to help work on this auction, want further information about donating, have your own suggestions or ideas, please take just a moment to call Pat at 000.000.0000 or email her at 0000000000@r000000000.com.

San Diego Trip Update . . . Olivia Armenta

There's still time to join your fellow booster members for a Sunday trip to San Diego on May 5th. For \$45, you will receive a game ticket and all-access pass to a great tailgate party prior to the game. You can also purchase a parking pass for the tailgate lot for an additional \$25.

The deadline to sign up and to pay will be our March 11th meeting. This has always been a fun trip for our club with great seats and delicious food. Invite your family and friends to join us. For questions or to order, you can also contact me at 000.000.0000.

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Booster Blog . . . Brent Wood

Quick. Who is the all-time winningest Dodger pitcher? Don Drysdale? Sandy Koufax? Don Newcombe? If your guess was any of those names, you would be wrong. It is **Don Sutton**. Sutton, who turns 74 on April 2, is the all time Dodger winner with 233 victories. He pitched for the Dodgers from 1966-1979 and again in 1988.

He also pitched for the Astros, Brewers, A's and Angels. In the history of baseball, Don Sutton is seventh in strikeouts and tenth in winning percentage. Though not considered an overpowering pitcher, Sutton possessed a terrific curve and also threw a screwball.

He was quite diligent about staying in good physical shape, which may explain why he was never on the Disabled List. Don Sutton was admitted to the Hall

of Fame in 1998 where he is proudly wearing a Dodger cap on his plaque. His number 20 has also been retired by the Dodgers.

February Pot Luck Dinner Recap . . . Lidia Carrillo

Wow! I still can't believe the amount of FOOD we had at last month's potluck. THANK YOU to each member who brought in a dish. To be honest, I was a bit concerned we weren't going to have enough food based on the number of members who signed up at the January meeting...but boy, was I wrong! Our members came through and brought in lots of food.

A special thank you to **Danee** for being there the entire time helping me out! Once again...thank you Booster members for participating and making this year's potluck such a success! Remember we will have something planned for each of our meetings. Next up – sandwiches! See you soon!



March Madness - Delicious. . . John Eiden

The month of March conjures up all kinds of thoughts and possibilities for everyone. For some it's the annual March Madness run. For others, it's Opening Day and the start of another season of baseball. March also means the first day of spring, daffodils, Christmas babies and Daylight Savings Time, just to name a few.



For us, **March means sandwiches and chips**! A variety of sandwiches will be laid out, along with chips and maybe a surprise or two, at the March meeting. All this for a mere \$5!

A lot of members took advantage of this offer and signed up at the last meeting. However, it's not too late for you to get on board and order yours.

You may place your order as late as Friday, March 8th and pay the following Monday. Just call or text VP Alicia Trujillo (000.000.0000) by the 8th to place your order. We will start serving about 10-15 minutes prior to our usual 6:30 PM meeting start. See ya there!





2019 Booster Club Board



Pot Luck Dinner, Monico and Annette



Pot Luck Dinner, Pat and Marry Ann