



President's Corner . . . JJ Sells

Fellow Boosters – well, the season is in full swing and at least in the first 2 weeks we have seen the ups and downs of what could turn out to be a fun season. After an 8-2 start, we hit a wall in St. Louis where we were swept in an ugly series. I suspect we aren't as good as we were in the first week nor as bad as in the second. As you read this article, we will be over a month into the season and hopefully our real team will have shown itself and that team will be the one that competes for **another championship**. However, as of now, only time will tell.

So, make your plans to join us and, with that, I hope to see you at the ballpark.

Ticket Talk . . . Mae Rosenkranz

Although I really have nothing new and exciting to share with you at this moment, I do want to remind you to take a look at our available season tickets listed on our page of the TeamUp Calendar app on your smart phone. If you see some you want, be sure to contact JJ Sells, 714.315.8156, right away to place your order and then follow up with me to pay for them.

If it turns out you won't be able to use any tickets you've purchased for a game, one great option may be to donate them to the club to use as a raffle prize.

I hope to see you all very soon, at the ballpark cheering on our Boys in Blue!



Membership Notes . . . Danee Gallegos

Our favorite time of year is in full swing and although our beloved Dodgers started off with hot bats, they've cooled down some, as of this writing.

I hope every one of you are excited for another exciting year of Dodger baseball.

Our 2019 Club membership so far is 120 members. Please join me in welcoming our newest members to join our Dodger Booster family – **Louise, Jenna & Julia Framer** and **Bonnie Angeski** of Chino Hills.

Let's continue to recruit family and friends to join our Los Angeles Dodgers Booster Club, you can have a FREE membership! Ask me how. LET'S GO DODGERS!

Your 2019 Booster Club Officers . . .

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Mmmmm - Our Nacho Bar is Back . . .



That's right! Our Nacho Bar was **so successful** at our September meeting last year, we just knew we'd have to do it again this year. However, we couldn't wait until our September meeting, so we decided to move it up to our May meeting!

Refried beans, onions & salsa, oh my! Sour cream, olives & shredded cheese, OH MY! guacamole, jalapenos & cilantro, **OH MY!** Have I got your attentiuon? Are your **Hungry** yet? Be sure to make plans now to attend.

We'll start serving around 6 PM so the meeting can start at 6:30 PM as usual. Mmmmm.

Booster Merchandise Update. . . Jeff Marsh

Hi everyone! A big thank you to everyone who bought one of our new clear tote bags. We have sold almost half of them at just one meeting. If you have any interest in getting yours, I would pick one up at the next meeting before they're all gone! As always, please let me know if you have any ideas you think would be a good item for us to use next to promote and financially benefit the club. **GO BLUE!**



April Meeting Spaghetti Night . . .

We were saddened to learn that our friend Mary Ann had sold her restaurant That's Amore in Whittier and would no longer be able to cater our **Spaghetti Night fundraisers** at our meetings. What to do? Who could we turn to to continue this tradition? Well, member **Nicole Sells**, that's who! Nicole (in the photo at left with Michelle Gorum) took on the challenge to cater April's Spaghetti Night Dinner.

She stepped up to the plate (LOL) and knocked it out of the park! She served up steaming plates of delicious penne pasta with a choice of a tasty marinara sauce with and without meat. Michelle Gorum also joined in the fun with her own veggie pasta. But wait, there's more – tasty garlic bread and a garden salad with a number of dressing choices completed the meal. If that wasn't enough, Lidia laid out a terrific array of desserts and don't get me started with what Brent Wood offered us with his varied beverage choices.

Quite a meal and quite a night. A big Dodger Blue Thank You to Nicole, and to Michelle, Lidia and Brent!

[Ed. Note – And there was a productive meeting to go with the above.]

Las Vegas Trip . . . Jeff Marsh

We are trying to put together **a trip to Las Vegas** over the August 3rd weekend to see the OKC Dodgers play the Las Vegas Aviators at 7 PM on Saturday, August 3rd. Tickets should be between \$25 - \$30, depending on the number we purchase.

Their new stadium just opened this month at a cost of over 150 million dollars and should really be something to see! Plus don't forget players like Will Smith, Dennis Santana, Edwin Rios etc. will most likely be brought up to the show very soon and this will be your last time to see them in the minors.

Please let me know by the next meeting if you have any interest so we can buy group tickets and start putting the wheels in motion for this spectacular weekend. **Viva Las Vegas & Viva Azul!**

Fanfare And Booster Tidbits

We are very happy to report longtime member **Eddie Medrano** is home and on the road to a full recovery after having major surgery recently. We all look forward to seeing him back seating in our section 6 at the stadium real soon!

Baseball And The Grammy Museum . . .

There is an exhibit entitled "TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME: POPULAR MUSIC AND THE NATIONAL PASTIME" at the Grammy Museum in downtown on display now through the baseball season in the fall" Whether it's the national anthem played before every game, the music ballplayers select to accent their "walk up" to home plate, or the seventh inning stretch when fans sing "Take Me Out To The Ball Game," music is an integral part of the baseball experience.

Take Me Out To The Ball Game: Popular Music And The National Pastime offers insight and historical reference for the history of music in baseball. The exhibit takes you on a journey starting before the 20th century when interest in baseball-themed music was fostered through the sales of sheet music, then explains the rise of baseball songs becoming a part of a new era of American music in the early 1900s, to current day popular music being a central part of players preparing to take the field and excite the fans. All forms of music, from pop and jazz, to country, R&B, and rock and roll embraced America's baseball passion and are reflected throughout the exhibit." We are looking into possibly setting up one or more Booster Club group outings to see this exhibit, if there is enough interest. Adult tickets are \$15 and it's \$13 for seniors, children 6-17, military w/id and free for children 5 and under. The museum hours are Sun-Thurs 10:30 AM to 6:30 PM and Fri-Sat 10 AM to 8 PM and is closed on Tuesdays. Come to the May 13th meeting to discuss possible group trips throughout the summer.

Hey - Awards, etc!



Don't Miss it!



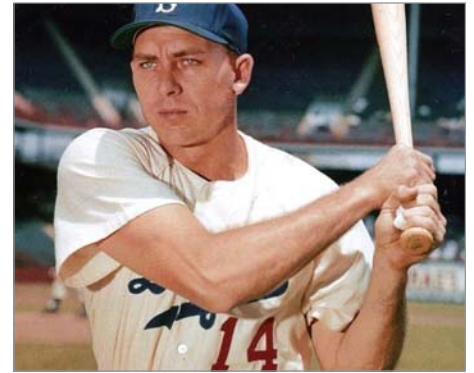
Booster Blog . . . Brent Wood

Next month, will be the 75th anniversary of D-Day. Once again, we will be reminded of the brave men and women who fought in World War II. That was my parent's generation, a time when people saw their duty and did it.

The Dodgers of the 1940's and 50's had many players who were called to duty, but none typified that call more than **Gil Hodges**. Gil Hodges was a star first baseman who was part of the "**Boys of Summer**". From 1948 to 1959, Hodges led first basemen in home runs, RBIs, extra base hits and OPS. He was also considered a premier fielding first baseman having won the Gold Glove.

Hodges was considered a quiet leader and became overshadowed by other players. This may explain why Hodges, who is more than qualified, has yet to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

More than his baseball abilities, Gil Hodges was a positive role model from what Tom Brokaw called the "Greatest Generation". He enlisted in the Marines and won a Bronze Star, quietly doing his duty. Gil's life was taken too quickly as he died of a heart attack at the age of 48. However, as the heroes of World War II are remembered, we know Gil Hodges will not be forgotten.

**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

Section 501(c)(3) status. So, it's not impossible, please just give it a try and you may be surprised at your results.

I will continue accepting your donations at both the May and June meetings. If you cannot make it to these meetings, I'm happy to arrange to pick up your donations. Please feel free to contact me at 000.000.0000, or email me, 0000000000@000000000000.com.

Silent Auction Update . . . Pat Moore

Things are going great for our upcoming Silent Auction at the July meeting. We received a number of Dodger related memorabilia items at the last meeting, along with some members committing to bring more items to the next one. I encouraged everyone at the last meeting to go out into their communities to solicit possible donations beyond what our members have contributed. To that end, I had a letter prepared explaining who we are and what we do for members to take with them that night to show prospective merchants when asking for donations.

A couple days after that meeting, John Eiden and I decided to go out and give it a try for ourselves. The first attempt was the hardest but it did get easier as we went along. We got our share of rejections that day but we also struck gold twice. A \$40 gift card from Philippe's restaurant downtown and a \$25 gift card from the Silverlake Trader Joe's Market.

The one issue we did face was when someone asked for our tax ID number since it wasn't on the letter we showed them. We then explained although our club is a "not-for-profit sports club" that designation does not qualify us for tax-deductible

RC Quakes Game Recap . . . John Eiden

This year we will head out to Rancho Cucamonga to watch the Quakes, our Single-A Dodgers affiliate, take on the Visalia Rawhide, Single-A D'backs affiliate, on Saturday, August 17th at 7:05 PM! We plan to once again host a postgame meal and a meet-and-greet with the players and coaches. Game tickets are \$12, with a portion of that going towards the cost of the players' meals. Parking is still \$5 (cash only).

We will also have a pre-game picnic again this year. The cost will be \$5 per person attending to cover the cost of the sandwiches, condiments, supplies, etc. We do ask that each party bring a salad, side dish, dessert, etc. to round out the menu. Given last year's unexpected takeover of the park, we will be better prepared in case that happens again. Signups will start at the May meeting with the deadline to sign up and to pay at the July meeting. Sign up now and plan on coming out with your fellow boosters to take part in what is always an awesome annual event!

May Birthdays

5/02 - Dennis Carroll
 5/04 - Isabel Ruelas
 5/05 - JoAnn Kaye
 5/06 - Ramona Allarid
 5/11 - Sharon Israel
 5/15 - James Allarid
 5/24 - John Grant



Dodgers Booster Club Join / Renewal Application

The L.A. Dodgers Booster Club is a non profit organization dedicated to: 1.) bringing the sport of Baseball to the attention of sports lovers the world over; 2.) stimulating interest in the Los Angeles Dodgers ; 3.) providing information that is relative to the sport of Baseball; 4.) Raising funds to help support financially strapped local Little League Teams; 5.) Making our youth more aware of this inspirational pastime

**** Please Print - All items must be completed and signed where indicated, for all members**

Please PRINT (* indicates Required Info) Name Birthday (mm/dd)

* Name 1 _____ *

* Name 2 _____ *

* Name 3 _____ *

* Name 4 _____ *

If additional names, please list on reverse *NOTE - Year of Birth required for any member under age 18

* Address _____ * Phone _____

* City _____ * State _____ * Zip _____

* Email Address _____ * Cell Number _____

Willing to serve on the LADBC Board? Yes ___ No ___ Maybe ___ Tell me more ___ Recruited by _____

LA DODGERS BOOSTER CLUB INC. RELEASE AGREEMENT WAIVER

- I, (we) as a member of the LA Dodgers Booster Club, Inc., (hereafter referred to as LADBC) agree as follows: LADBC, is a nonprofit corporation organized for the mutual enjoyment of its members in supporting the LA Dodgers Baseball Club.
- LADBC's activities include group transportation to/from baseball games, meetings, picnics, and other events. At these events LADBC may serve food and engage in group activities of various types.
- I (we) understand that the activities of LADBC, would not be possible if the organization were to accept responsibility for injury to its members or losses its members might incur while participating in group activities, eating, travel or otherwise.
- Therefore, I (we) agree to waive any claims that I now have, or ever may have, arising from my participation in LADBC, and to release and hold harmless DBC, together with its officers and directors, from any liability whatsoever for any injury or damage that I may sustain as a result of participating in events sponsored by LADBC.
- This release agreement shall bind and apply to the benefit of my heirs, representatives, or estate and to the successors of LADBC.

*Date _____ *Signed _____
Member, L.A. Dodgers Booster club

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If any member signing above is under age 18, parent or legal guardian must sign below

*Date _____ *Signed _____
Parent/Legal Guardian

Membership Dues (join / renew)

___ All-Star Memberships
Full Adult @ \$30.00 / \$36.00 _____

___ Major League Memberships
18 + dependent @ \$20 / \$26 _____

___ Minor League Memberships
Under 18 dependent @ \$15 / \$21 _____

___ Hall of Fame Memberships
Upgrade Adult @ \$55 _____

Total Enclosed _____

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Minor and Major League Members are not required to be part of the same household as their All-Star or HOF sponsor
Minor League members must be supervised by a parent or consenting adult to participate in any / all LA Dodgers Booster Club activities

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