



President's Corner . . . Monico Zamora

Booster Members . . . I was so happy to see a few of you down in San Diego, where fun was had by all. A big thank you to Army and the Vasquez family; Carlos Uribe; Jeff and the Castillo Family and the Armentas, Olivia and Vickey, for one of the best events of the year.

Now that the season is over, we still have a few events planned so come on Dodger boosters, get ready to have some more fun and participate.

As for our 3-peat Blood Drive victory, another big thanks for our booster members who got family and friends out to donate. It was fun to have the Blood Drop trophy presented on our field and watch the Angel Booster Club come on up to Elysian Park (Dodger Stadium) and see them on Diamond Vision in our house.

I would like to thank everyone in the Booster Club for making this one of the best years as a club, fundraising at Dodger Stadium with the giveaway crew being the highlight this season. Thank you and Belinda for the fantastic job. See ya at the November 14th meeting.

Ed. Note . . . John Eiden

REMINDER - this edition is your last newsletter for the year as we have no meeting in December. Instead, we're gonna party and enjoy the holidays while your Booster Bits takes the month off! Look for the first edition of 2012 to arrive some time around the end of this year, in advance of our meeting on January 9th, 2012. Till then, please accept my fervent wishes for a most happy, joyful and safe holiday season to one and all!



2012 Membership Drive is underway . . .

It's that time of year again! Time to renew your membership dues for 2012. There'll be no change in the dues structure, \$25 for the first member, \$15 for the second or junior member in the same household and just \$10 for each additional member or junior member in the same household. Dues are on a calendar basis. So, your 2012 dues are due and payable no later than January 1st, 2012 with a grace period to renew extended to January 31, 2012.

Renewing is easier than ever! Simply renew online by going to www.dodgersboosterclub.com and click on the "Renew Online" option at the left margin and/or at the bottom of each webpage. First, you'll be prompted to fill out the 2012 Membership Renewal Information form. If you are adding anyone who was not a member in 2011, please be sure to check the "NEW" box so we can process that membership properly. Continuing after completing that form, you'll be directed to a secured page to provide your payment information and then you're done. This method proved to be a big success last year and a number of members have already taken advantage this year to use this method again.

As a reminder, if you don't renew online, you must include a filled-out 2012 Membership Renewal & Information form with your check; a form was included with your last newsletter for this purpose. **Your renewal will be delayed until this form is turned in.** You may turn your form and check in at a meeting or mail them both to LADBC Membership, P.O. Box 86965, Los Angeles, CA 80086.

Membership Chair Sandy Zamora does have one favor to ask - whichever way you choose to renew, **PLEASE** don't wait until late December or January to renew if at all possible. The sooner you send it in, the less of a nightmare it is for her to process and update everything.

Your 2011 Booster Club Officers . . .

President – Monico Zamora – 000.000.0000
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Blood Drop Trophy Presentation . . . Dorothy Wylie

On Thursday, September 22nd at Dodger Stadium, President Monico Zamora and I accepted the American Red Cross Blood Drop Trophy and plaque for winning this year's Dodgers vs. Angels annual Red Cross Blood Drive.

This is our third win in a row. We went down on the field to accept our awards. Former Dodger player, Sweet Lou Johnson, accepted the award for the Dodgers. Two Angel Boosters accepted the plaque for their booster club.

The Angel Boosters president said next year she hopes we will be at Angel Stadium to accept their award for winning. I didn't respond as I would like us to win again, although the main purpose is for getting blood donors. Southern California is always in a short supply of blood.

It was a thrill to accept the award for the Dodgers Booster Club. I'm looking forward to our next Angel Boosters vs. Dodger Boosters Blood Drive on June 9th, 2012. Thank you Boosters for making the Blood Drive a success!

2011 Meeting Dates

Monday, April 11th
 Monday, May 9th
 Monday, June 13th
 Monday, July 11th
 Monday, August 8th
 Monday, September 12th
 Monday, September 26th
 Monday, November 14th
 Christmas Party, Dec. 4th

Friends Of Foster Children . . .

This year, the unwrapped gifts for boys and girls we are asking everyone to bring to the Christmas Party, will be donated to support a local group called Friends of Foster Children. They are a non-profit social services organization who care for foster children in six different group homes as well as run three emancipation youth homes and two facilities for the severely developmentally challenged.

They were ecstatic to hear we would help out with their holiday needs this year. In addition to the usual toys, they have offered a range of additional suggestions to aid you in selecting your gifts: Any type of ball (such as baseballs, soccer balls, footballs basketballs), sports posters of all kinds, tool kits, art sets, craft kits (such as girls jewelry making kits), small Lego sets, photo albums or scrapbooks.

The handicapped like fire trucks or cars with lights and bells that make sounds. Batteries are most welcome, especially AA, AAA, & C. Wallets for boys and bath, body and personal care items and towel sets for boys and girls are also good suggestions.

Finally, gift cards in \$5 increments for McDonalds or In & Out will be put to good use too. Just make sure that whatever you choose to bring to the Christmas Party, is unwrapped. Hope you have enough ideas now, and have fun shopping!

November Birthdays

11/02 - Xavier Contreras
 11/02 - Josh Zaragoza
 11/03 - Sandra Perez
 11/05 - Annalee Esqueda
 11/05 - Carlos Uribe
 11/06 - Tom Aluisi
 11/07 - Amara Preston
 11/07 - Alphonso Chavez
 11/08 - John Contreras
 11/08 - Johnny Sells
 11/09 - Victor Alvarez
 11/09 - Alfonso Morales
 11/12 - Renita Caldwell
 11/13 - Mario Neria
 11/14 - Micki Collier
 11/14 - Daniel Soto
 11/16 - Geri Fineroff
 11/18 - Hakiel Mitchell
 11/19 - Peter Graves
 11/20 - Tommy Galindo
 11/21 - Brianna Ramirez
 11/21 - Christian Bidolli
 11/21 - Forrest Wylie
 11/22 - Griselda Alvarez
 11/23 - Summer Tate
 11/27 - David Quintero
 11/29 - Reiko Morimoto
 11/30 - Gerardo Ramirez
 11/30 - Enrique Esqueda
 11/30 - Leila Marquez



San Diego Tailgate Party, Some happy Dodgers Booster Club Revelers



Sunset at the Rancho Cucamonga Quakes game. Our Baby Boys in Blue

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Fanfare & Booster Tidbits . . .

We are saddened to report our oldest Booster Club member has passed away. At 104 years young, Feligonio Nunez was far and away our oldest member. He was the patriarch of a family which also includes a few generations of Booster Club members by marriage. Our heartfelt thoughts and prayers go out to all the many family and friends during this difficult time.

From the press release on the Dodgers website announcing Vin Scully's return for a 63rd season: "When Scully made the announcement, he cited a lady who sends him cookies every season, noting this season a note was attached saying they were a bribe for one more year." He gave in, and guess who that lady was, who ought to be nominated for Dodger sainthood? None other than our very own longtime member **Marti Squyres** of Woodland Hills. She was mentioned by name during Vinnie's announcement during the 6th inning break of the game on August 26th. Thank you Marti, you're the best! Are you willing to share your secret cookie recipe with the rest of us?

2012 Trips . . .

With the 2011 season completed, we are already turning our attention to an exciting 2012 season following our Boys in Blue at home and on the road. While we are finalizing our 2012 Projection Sheet for the home games, we are also looking for possible club trips to follow the Boys on the road.

The list of possible trips under consideration include going to San Diego for Opening Weekend on Saturday, April 7th; to Seattle on the weekend of June 8-10; to Oakland during the week on June 19-21; and to San Francisco on the weekends of July 27-29 or September 7-9.

We do know the Trip Girls aka Olivia & Vicky Armenta will organize the Seattle trip. Be sure to come to the November meeting to help us finalize the rest of our travel plans now for next year.

Anyone else with trip and travel arrangement experience is encouraged to join in and help us organize these or any other trips under consideration. Spring Training anyone?



November Meeting Fundraiser . . .

Susan Davidson is planning a Thanksgiving themed raffle for our last meeting of the year. In addition that night, one lucky person will go home with an autographed James Loney jersey. You won't want to miss out on this one!

Rose Parade Float Decorating . .

Again for 2011, we will close our fundraising efforts by decorating Rose Parade Floats for Festival Artists. This year they only have 4 floats - China Airlines, Power Rangers and the 2 Rose Bowl school floats. As a result, they will only have 2 weekends of dry decorating available before the start the 24/7 flower decorating after Christmas Day.

The 2 available Saturdays will be on December 10th and 17th. At the November meeting, YOU can help us decide upon which date works best for the most members to participate.

We will need to have the usual minimum 20 volunteers for whichever date is selected. They have tasks which can be easily performed by anyone from 10 to 100, standing or sitting - half days are okay too. So, you can do YOUR part now by talking to the rest of your family, along with as many of your friends, neighbors and co-workers about this really fun time to spend all or part of a day.

Children ages 10 and up are also invited to join in so long as they can work with enough adult supervision. Once that's done, come to the November 7th meeting to help us select which day will work best.

A flyer with directions and more details will be handed out to those who sign up at the meeting. If you want to join in on the fun but can't make the meeting, please call John at 000.000.0000. Once the date is set, you can actually sign up as late as the night before should your calendar suddenly free up.

Hope to see you all out there for all the special fun that's involved with decorating those incredible floats!

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Christmas Party Update. . .

It's ALMOST December . . . Time to think about cold weather and snow, which brings to mind our upcoming **2011 Christmas Party**. Are you ready for our annual LA Dodgers Booster Club Christmas Party?

I sure hope so, as it will again be a sumptuous buffet brunch on Sunday, December 4th at the Almansor Court in Alhambra. The prices are Members - \$24, Guests - \$28, Junior Members (ages 3-10 only) - \$8 and Guests ages 3-10 only - \$12.

You can sign up to attend, and pay, at the November meeting. The deadline to RSVP and to pay will be November 28th. If you cannot make the meeting, you may call Herb Hammann at 000.000.0000 to make arrangements.

As in the past, we ask each person to bring an unwrapped toy or two for a boy or girl. These toys will be collected and given to a new group, Friends of Foster Children. Be sure to read the accompanying article on page 2 for more about this great group and some gift suggestions.

We will also plenty of door prizes for everyone, along with the chance to win some really great raffle prizes. As always, we plan to have a guest speaker and, just maybe, Santa Claus might be able to take a little time away from his busy preparations to stop by and say hello!

September Meeting . . .

This meeting sure was a bittersweet affair, with it being the last one during baseball season and no playoff appearances to look forward to. Still, it was fun and enjoyable, especially all the members' anecdotes about our recent trip to watch our Baby Boys in Blue play in Rancho Cucamonga and our recent picnic. (photos below)

Amongst and between the usual reports, everyone seemed excited about the update regarding our upcoming trip down to San Diego for one last tailgate party and the Dodgers-Padres battle.

After all the reports and other business were completed, the highlight of the evening had to be Membership Chair Louis Vasquez's most masterful exercise determining the nominations for our next year's officers. Once all the "I nominate..." and "I accept..." were spoken, the resulting nominations for next year's officers are: President - Monico Zamora, Vice President - JJ Sells, Secretary - John Eiden, Treasurer - Herb Hammann, Tickets - Mae Rosenkranz, Membership - Sandy Zamora, and for the two At-Large Board Members - Jessica Garcia, Armida Vasquez and Dorothy Wylie.

Be sure to come to the November meeting as all the nominees will be present to answer any questions you may have of them. In addition, all nominees will be invited to submit a campaign statement for the January Booster Bits.

With that done, and all the raffle winners named, this meeting was history!

December Birthdays

2/02 - Paola Nunez
 12/05 - Michael Taormina
 12/07 - Victoria Paez
 12/07 - Carl Perez
 12/07 - Lizzette Perez
 12/08 - Lisette Gonzalez
 12/08 - Michelle Madarieta
 12/08 - Coleman Taormina
 12/09 - Brian Vasquez
 12/10 - Xochitl Perez
 12/12 - K. Alexander-Juran
 12/13 - Greg Bidolli
 12/13 - Louie Torres
 12/16 - Sam Lespron
 12/17 - Michael Allarid
 12/17 - Steve Ruelas
 12/18 - Linda Wilson
 12/18 - Joseph Zaragoza
 12/20 - Belinda Uribe
 12/22 - Robyn Morningstar
 12/23 - Alyssa Blanco
 12/24 - Nick Rodriguez
 12/26 - Robert Sosky
 12/27 - Larry Lamb
 12/27 - Jim Mardock
 12/28 - Danny Perez
 12/31 - Richard Castellanos



Dodgers Booster Club Annual Picnic,
the Water Balloon Toss Begins



Dodgers Booster Club Annual Picnic,
Kids Playing Musical Chairs



Dodgers Booster Club Annual Picnic,
The First Whack's The Hardest