

## President's Corner . . . JJ Sells

**Fellow Boosters** - that time is finally upon us – **Opening Day**, and the hopes of a more successful 2017. I can never wait for Opening Day for all the sights, sounds and smells. However, I must say it's going to be a little weird this year knowing that Vinnie won't be there to bring us his perspective of the game. Oh, how I will miss him.

To say that I'm excited though is definitely an understatement. I like the looks of this team and its depth. Logan Forsythe sure looks like all he was advertised to be. The only question is will this team stay healthy and if they do, look out Western Division!

Until next time, see you at the ballpark.



## Ticket Talk . . . Mae Rosenkranz

**Hi Everyone!** How was your Opening Day at Dodger Stadium? It was good to be back at my home away-from-home and seeing everyone rooting for our Boys! NOW, the begging begins. Here's the status of the games on our Projection Sheet through HS 5. HS 2 - 4/15, GAME CANCELLED. HS 3 - 4/29 & 5/03, not cancelled as we obtained our minimum. Those of you who ordered tickets for these two games but have not paid yet, please submit payment immediately. HS 4 - 5/10 Kenley Jensen BH in all probability will be cancelled as only one ticket has been sold. HS 5 - 5/20, is in jeopardy of being cancelled unless 15 more tickets are sold. HS 5 - 5/23, only 7 tickets have been sold, need 13 more; 5/25 - only need 8 more and 5/27 Cubs game, still need 6. Come on guys, please take another look at these particular games and order some more tickets so we don't have to cancel any, especially the 5/25 and 5/27 games.



I want to bring to your attention that the 6/05 game is our Hall of Fame game that the Club hosts. Those who qualify for a free ticket are those members who have paid for a 2017 Hall of Fame membership as well as those upgraded to Hall of Fame status in 2017 for having attended 15 or more games in 2016. For those HOF members who would like to bring one or more guests as well as anyone else who'd also like to attend, tickets are just \$20 for members and only \$23 for nonmembers.

Whether you are attending as a guest of the club or you plan to buy tickets, I will need the number of your tickets and payment no later than Monday, 5/08.

As a reminder, 6/20 is the game for our club's annual Award Night, First Pitch & KTF. Please read the separate article here in this newsletter for

### Your 2017 Booster Club Officers . . .

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particulars. The drawing for the First Pitch and KTF will be held at our April 10th meeting. All the lucky winners must make sure to order tickets to be able go down on the field. Tickets for this game are \$30 for members, and \$33 for nonmembers. I must have your order and payment for this game by 5/20.

Okay, enough about my begging to buy tickets. If you have any questions or want to order tickets or make payment (we do take credit cards), feel free to call me, text me or email me.

### 2017 Meeting Dates

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

## Membership Notes . . . Danee Gallegos

Our favorite time of year is finally upon us. April brings the renewed hope of a **championship** as well as the excitement of new beginnings. If you did not get your membership renewed in time for Opening Day, don't forget to renew ASAP to avoid missing out on all the membership perks that the baseball season brings.

To renew, you can do so in-person at the next Booster Club meeting or by visiting our website, [www.dodgersboosterclub.com](http://www.dodgersboosterclub.com). I would like to thank all of the 166 members who have already joined us for the 2017 season. We are happy to have your continued support, and we look forward to sharing some exciting Dodger memories with you throughout the 2017 season.

Let's continue to recruit family and friends to join the L.A. Dodgers Booster Club. **LET'S GO DODGERS!**

## Booster Family Picnic . . . Alicia Trujillo

This year's annual **Booster Family Picnic** is scheduled for Saturday, June 24th at Lakeview Park in Santa Fe Springs. A tentative indoor picnic is also proposed for our November meeting, just in case. Our picnic will run from 12 – 5 PM and all the traditional games will be played, such as musical chairs, bingo, balloon toss & hula-hoop contest.

In addition, we'll also have a chili cook-off and a dessert bake-off, if we can get enough members to take part! So, pull out your secret family recipes and let the fun begin! This year's picnic, like previous ones, will be a potluck.

Volunteers will be needed to run games and other activities, with my help of course, if it's needed. This picnic, as well as all the other activities we sponsor, can only be successful with everyone's participation and willingness to help out. Signups to help with games and such, along with bringing potluck dishes, will begin at the April meeting.

## Final San Diego Trip Update . . . Olivia Armenta

On Sunday, May 7th, join us down in **San Diego** for an enjoyable day of baseball, as the Dodgers will take on the Padres. This will also include a delicious tailgate breakfast buffet in the Padres tailgate parking lot, starting around 9 AM. The price for all this is just \$45 for members and \$50 for guests. The deadline to pay will be at our April meeting.

I will have your tickets there at the April meeting. If you cannot attend this meeting, please make arrangements with me to pick them up. Hope you and your family can come join us!

We are also continuing to work on the arrangements for our trip to Ohio in June to see the Dodgers play the Indians and the Reds. Stay tuned.

## Exciting Road Ahead, Are YOU The One? . .

**Are You the One?** Perhaps you know of someone who is the One? The One, what? We are looking for one or more people to take on the lead role as our club's new Social Media Coordinator, Photographer, Videographer and/or Reporter!

If you think your skill set is a match for any one or more of those new positions, please sign up to come aboard the club's new Promotions Express. This can range from just one person taking on all four positions to two or more people taking on each separate one. With each position comes certain responsibilities, recognitions as well as perks. If you haven't already, please go to [www.dodgersboosterclub.com/promotions](http://www.dodgersboosterclub.com/promotions) to read all about each of these positions and what they entail, review what qualifications are needed and, of course, the perks involved.

**Are you that special person** who understands and loves to post on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and beyond? Then the job as our club's new Social Media Coordinator sounds like the perfect fit for you. Like taking photos or making short videos to then post on social media? Well then, you might just have what it takes to be our new Photographer or our new Videographer. Think you'd like to meet with and interview various Dodgers? Like to search out and share other fascinating stories related to all things Dodger? Being our new club Reporter ought to be just the thing for you to take on.

All of these positions are also available for school credit for a student intern position. If you or someone you know is looking for additional school credits or to help round out their college application, this might just be the way to go. After reading about these special positions, please email us at [promotions@dodgersboosterclub.com](mailto:promotions@dodgersboosterclub.com) if you are interested in applying, want to point us in the direction of someone else who is, or to just to get further information. **We'd love to hear from you!**

## All the EXCITEMENT Will Be On Tuesday June 20th . . .

**PROMISE YOURSELF** that you will be at Dodger Stadium on June 20th! It's your BIG opportunity to be on hand before the game to personally witness our **club's big night to shine** as we hand out our annual club awards, followed by our First Pitch ceremony and last, but NOT least You can cheer as our Kids Take the Field! It's our club's version of a Hat Trick!

**Booster Club Awards** – Your board members will be up close and personal on the field, and personally hand out our annual Dodger awards to manager **Dave Roberts** and player **Corey Seager**.

**First Pitch Crew** – Ever wonder what it'd be like to be at the mound and throw a ball like Kershaw or catch a ball at the plate like Grandal? Well, now's your chance to possibly find out but only if you show up at the April meeting! Each All-Star and Hall of Fame member (except board members) will receive a ticket to be included in the drawing that night for a chance to pitch or catch. Each member will also be handed an additional ticket for EACH meeting attended so far this year. 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 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 if you should win. Don't forget to purchase your game tickets if you win!

**Kids Take the Field** – Although 8 of our minor league members (ages 5-14 only) will be selected at this same meeting, there's a new twist this year. Only 6 of the 8 lucky kids will be able to take part on June 20th because the game's sponsor is promised 2 of the 8 spots. The Dodgers will give the other 2 winners the chance to participate at another game, to be announced. The kids DO NOT have to be present at the April meeting in order to win.

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.

BTW - Don't forget that ALL winners must purchase their tickets from the club in order to take part that night. **You Gotta Be There** at the April meeting, for your chance to join in on all the fun!

### April Birthdays

4/03 - Olivia Armenta  
 4/03 - Lisa Sells  
 4/04 - Ashley Sells  
 4/04 - Elsa Reinert  
 4/06 - Constance Hunter  
 4/07 - Briana Thacker  
 4/08 - Gina Bidolli  
 4/09 - Esteban A. Carrillo  
 4/11 - Brenda Quintana-Boeglin  
 4/12 - Maya Alvarado  
 4/12 - Mark Mercado  
 4/12 - Rachel Mercado  
 4/18 - Ann Baziak

## March Meeting - Here's What Went Down . . .

**VP Alicia Trujillo** did a great job chairing our March meeting as our fearless leader was kicking back and watching spring training games in Arizona! It was fun returning to our old stomping grounds at St Paul High School for this meeting. With 60 members in attendance, it was easy to see why we had to move on to a larger space.

The first batch of 2017 New Member badges were handed out, causing smiles and excitement. If you didn't pick yours up, they will also be available at the next meeting. Then, when the Birthday March was completed, it was announced longtime and active member **Annette Alexander** put a dollar in the can for each year of the birthday she was celebrating. She proudly confirmed it was her **89th birthday!** She received a well-deserved standing ovation for her latest and her many other generous philanthropic efforts made for our club. There's no denying her brilliant and most appreciative smile that night!



Then came the relevant reports, announcements and updates that night which are reported elsewhere in this edition, so there's no need to recap them here.

One thing does bear repeating here though. When **Connie Hunter** was named as the evening's 50/50 winner, she immediately announced she was donating her share back to the club! Thanks Connie!

Next, Monico explained and laid out some of the great new promotion and fundraising in store, which was given a very positive reception by all the members there. Finally, there was a bit of a bidding war at the end of the meeting with the auction of a Yasiel Puig signed baseball. What started at a mere \$25, ended up with John Contreras' winning bid of \$121. With that, this meeting was history!



**Upcoming Meeting Fundraisers . . .** Alicia Trujillo

Congratulations to **Connie Hunter** for winning \$67.50 at the 50/50 raffle held at our March meeting. And a super Big Dodger Blue THANK YOU to Connie for donating her winnings that night back to the club! Good things come to good people like you CONNIE!

For April, we will return to our usual array of items to raffle off. Then, moving forward, we plan to alternate each month's fundraiser between a 50/50 cash raffle and fun and valuable raffle items. The tickets for the 50/50 will be the same as for the regular raffle – \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. And just like for the regular raffle, the 50/50 winner needs to be present when the winning ticket is drawn at the end of the meeting.

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**Exciting Road Ahead, New Promotions . . .**

At the March meeting, Monico debuted a number of **new and exciting promotional opportunities** for our club to seize upon now as we begin celebrating our club's 60th year. Once Monico had laid out some of these new ideas and opportunities, there was then a positive discussion among the members to participate as well as to come up with various ways to bring these ideas to life.

The information presented at the last meeting has been formalized on a special webpage on our website for everyone to view and then figure out his or her own way to help grow our club and stay relevant for many anniversaries to come. Please take a moment now to go to [www.dodgersboosterclub.com/promotions](http://www.dodgersboosterclub.com/promotions) and read all about how YOU can help promote our club in a number of really simple and easy ways making use of the various social media platforms available to us.

Although we are looking for a few people to spearhead these efforts, we still need each and every one of us to help out with this effort. How, you ask? Simply by taking photos and making short videos of your own to pass along to those members placed in charge to coordinate these efforts.

Stay tuned for more news and developments regarding new and exciting ways YOU too can help out. Be sure to read the accompanying article on page 2, to see if you might just have what it takes to be one of the people we're looking for to head up one or more of the exciting positions we're looking to fill!



**Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser . . .** Alicia Trujillo

Our first Delicious Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser of 2017 is scheduled to take place at our May meeting. These Spaghetti Dinner fundraisers have been so very successful thanks to your help and participation. Dinner will consist of spaghetti, a salad and bread for the low cost of just \$8 a plate, courtesy once again of **That's Amore Pizzeria**. Drinks and dessert will be provided as well.

The tickets for this fundraiser will be sold at the April meeting. If you're not able to attend April's meeting, be sure to text me at 562.556.4032 as soon as you can so we can plan to have plenty of food there in May for everyone.

Come with an appetite. This is a meal, I mean a meeting, you don't want to miss!

**Free Booster Club Membership!**

**Recruit 10 NEW members in 2017, and your membership, next year, will be FREE**  
**NEW members must be signed up & paid before 12/31/17**

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 2018, 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 2017 Christmas Party fee will also be free. For more information, you can contact any Board Member, or attend any monthly meeting

