



BOOSTER Chatter

April 2020

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *Karen Harkins*

Welcome Angel Boosters. This message is hoping all of you are doing well and practicing social distancing. Those of you that are on the front lines we are so grateful for all that you are doing during these trying times. Please try to remember to check on each other by a phone call, text, email or an old fashion letter will brighten someone's day.

We regret to inform you that our April Meeting has been cancelled due to the Corona Virus. The stadium is not open currently to the public. We have been asked to be prepared for the May meeting to be cancelled as well.

Trent Rush has some great stories he is telling on the radio (AM830) regarding baseball lore. He has referenced Chris Epting's book several times.

Joe Maddon has some U-Tube and Facebook

videos that have been very informative and funny, especially his bike rides. He talked a lot about his early career and odd jobs he has done and who some of his best influences have been. Did you know he drives a purple Dodge Hellcat?

We have received the game tickets but as you know we do not have a opening date at this time. Rest assured that everyone who has won tickets will get them. The Angels are working on trying to accommodate us for some of the missing games.

We all miss seeing each other and the camaraderie that we have at our meetings. We will update you as soon as we have any information. Please stay well, you are all in our thoughts.

Halo Hugs

Karen ☺

INSIDE THE CLUB



Mandi Ortiz 2

Entertainment coordinator for the Angels spoke about fun events planned for the 2020 season.



Birthday Trip 3

Started as a birthday Spring Training Trip but changed to a scenic trip to remember.



DUE TO THE COVID 19 VIRUS, THE APRIL AND MAY MEETINGS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED

The Angels Booster Club will keep all of the Boosters informed via email, newsletters and Facebook when future meetings will be back on schedule.

Also, no newsletters will be printed and mailed at this time due to no access to printing. Monthly newsletters will be emailed only for April and May.

All Community Event volunteer opportunities and Trips and Tickets information will be updated as we get any details.

We are all in this together and hopefully it will be over soon.

2020 ANGELS BOOSTER CLUB MEETING DATES

April 13 - **Cancelled**
May 4 - **Cancelled**
June 1

June 29 - July meeting
August 10
September 14

October 5
November 2 - Annual Dinner/Election
December 5 - Toy Drive



Halo Highlights 4
March Angel action from Facebook.

HELPING OTHERS THROUGH THE LOVE OF ANGELS BASEBALL

Angels Booster Club 2020 Meetings - April and May Meetings are **CANCELLED** Due to COVID 19

MANDI ORTIZ FROM THE ANGELS ORGANIZATION WAS MARCH SPEAKER

Karen Harkins



The club was very excited to welcome March speaker, Mandi Ortiz, Marketing and Entertainment Coordinator for the Angels. Mandi is in charge of the majority of the entertainment for the Angels. Mandi graduated from Cypress High School. She then graduated from Chapman University with a degree in Business Communication and a minor in Broadcast. What an intriguing and charismatic speaker. She answered all of the Boosters question no matter how serious or how silly with professionalism and wit.

Mandi has been with the Angels for 6 years. She was with the Angels Strike Force for the first 4 seasons of her career. She is only 1 of 3 girls that has ever been on the Strike Force for that long. In their 25th season, she loved her time with the Strike Force and her excitement and energy as she spoke about it was apparent. She is now in charge of all aspects of the Angels Strike Force including the extensive selection process. She answered many questions from our members on what the criteria is to obtain a position, many seniors insisting they were a perfect fit. She smiled and agreed and told them they are more than welcome

to apply. Mandi explained that it is a very difficult selection process that goes into the final decision. Personality is a huge part of the selection and after meeting Mandi the entire club can see why she was in that position for so long and charged with being an ambassador for the Angels.

Mandi's current position of coordinating entertainment for the Angels like Theme Nights, Junior Kids Club, Pre-Game Ceremonies, Picture This, the Scoreboard and all its graphics, What's That Song, and Starting Lineups to mention a handful. She is obviously a very busy young lady. We were able to have a lively question and answer period with her. It was so interesting to speak directly with an Angel representative that explained how much thought and work goes into all of these fun things they plan for the fans.

Mandi had just returned from Spring Training and she said the excitement was in the air for the 2020 Season. Of course this was before the postponement announcement of the season.

Mandi is an excellent speaker and we are looking forward to welcoming her back soon. ☺

Please keep the follow donation Calendar in mind so we can catch-up with donations once the meetings continue. Surely the need will be more than ever once this ordeal is over.

There will be a donation box located by the stage at every General meeting to donate cash or gift cards for PCAA. If all of us donate our spare change or even a dollar at every meeting it will really be a big help.

Also, see the calendar of monthly donations that you can start collecting throughout the year and bring to each meeting. With your support we can really make an impact year-round.

The ABC Booster Club appreciates the kindness and generosity of all the club's members. ☺

DONATION CALENDAR

MARCH
Toothbrush
Toothpaste

APRIL
Deodorant
Feminin Products
Lotion

MAY
Socks (K-12)

JUNE
Sunscreen
Sunglasses

JULY
School Supplies
(K-12)

AUGUST
School Supplies
(K-12)

SEPTEMBER
Gift Cards

OCTOBER
Brush
Hair Gel
Shampoo
Conditioner



NOVEMBER
Anything from
previous months

DECEMBER
Blankets
Toys for Toy Drive

A 16TH BIRTHDAY EXCITING SPRING TRAINING TRIP TURNS DIRECTION

What started out as my 16th Birthday Spring Training trip changed to a different kind of father-son trip to always remember. My dad and I left right after school Wednesday, March 11th. We planned this trip for months so I made sure all of my grades and school work were good and I even brought homework with me that my teachers gave me since I was missing two days of school. We took the I-10 and made great time. Our hotel in Phoenix was only a mile away from the Maryvale Stadium, spring training facility for the Milwaukee Brewers. We woke up early Thursday excited for a game of baseball knowing the news was not good on the unbelievable situation the world was facing. I tried to stay optimistic and waited in line anxiously for our first game. Unfortunately, 30 minutes before the gates opened a representative from Camelback Ranch Stadium informed us that Spring Training was cancelled. My dad and I were devastated. Knowing the rumors of the possibility of this happening my dad and I did have a plan B...being tourists in Arizona.

The rest of Thursday we wandered around the Phoenix area. We went to a 3 story golf driving range called Top Golf. We had a blast hitting balls from the second story. I have quite a few funny videos of my dad and I'm sure has some of me. We then drove around to visit all of the different team stadiums in the area. There was only a small amount of people wandering around looking stunned and disappointed.



Friday we woke up and decided to go to Tucson. We went to the Pima Air Museum where they have decommissioned military aircraft on display. The museum is right next to "The Boneyard" where there is a huge piece of desert property for the storage of hundreds of old military airplanes. We then toured the Tucson Movie



Wyatt Weaver

Ranch where movies such as Tombstone and many other westerns were filmed. Actors such as John Wayne and Roy Rogers frequented this movie studio. There was a great western store there where I tried on many cowboy hats, I want one now.

On Saturday we planned a very early wake up call to go to Sedona which is famous for its red rock formations. First we stopped at an old Indian Pueblo called Montezuma's Castle which was amazing. After that, we drove to the start location of our hike to "Devils Bridge" which is 2.5 miles deep into the Sedona mountains. I stood on the bridge which was 200 feet high and only 5 feet wide. It was absolutely breathtaking and something I will never forget. We then hiked the 2.5 miles back which was easier down hill to the car. My dad was so tired but made it. We then explored the trendy stores of Sedona and that was very cool. By the way, I love to shop. We then drove to Flagstaff where it was 31 degrees. It was a pretty drive and we were so tired we decided to stay the night there.

Sunday we left pretty early but decided to take Route 66 scenic route home visiting all of the small towns along the way such as Williams, Ash Fork and Kingman. It was so interesting and so fun. My dad is a huge history buff and it is like having a human computer telling me everything about all the sights along the way. I had a blast.

As I got home to no school and no high school baseball, which got cancelled while I was gone, I started to think about the Angels Booster Club and how sad for us all. I hope all of you are staying healthy and staying anxious for baseball. I know I cannot wait to be sitting at Angel Stadium waiting to hear those two special words "PLAY BALL". ☺



2020 ANGELS AND BOOSTER CLUB EVENTS

Please check www.angelsboosterclub.org or follow the Angels Booster Club Facebook page for updates.

ALL EVENTS CANCELLED OR POSTPONED AT THIS TIME

HALO highlights

HIGHLIGHTS FROM FACEBOOK

- ◆ 3/8 Andrew Heaney was named 2020 Opening Day Starter
- ◆ 3/9 Joe Maddon with the Respect 90 Foundation hosted the "Balding all Angels" charity event
- ◆ 3/11 Shohei Ohtani graces the cover of Sports Illustrated
- ◆ 3/26 Mike Trout narrates MLB #OpeningDayAtHome video
- ◆ 3/31 Ty Buttrey's Birthday



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March Birthdays!

Yoko Pettus	4/18
John Stapp	4/19
Julie Fraley	4/22
Mary Garcia	4/25



March Anniversaries!

Harry and Nancy Dobashi	4/1
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