

Booster Chatter

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President's Message . . . Rob Holman

Hello Everyone, and **Happy Holidays!** It was great seeing you at the Annual Dinner Meeting. What a great job was done by Kim Carpenter and the dinner committee. Thank you all.

With the elections complete your new Booster Board is in place. Boardmembers are as follows: President, Rob Holman; 1st Vice Pres/Parliamentarian, Jack Kidwell; 2nd Vice Pres/Membership, Vince Cleveland; Secretary, Carol McCourry; Treasurer, Laura Young; Promotions, Phyllis Hatosay; Season Tickets, Kim Carpenter & Kerry Leach; Special Events, Madeline Jensen & Karen Elder; Newsletter, Karen Elder; Halo Corner/Ways & Means, Nancy Serota; Public Relations, Florence Reni; Chaplain, Sam James; Trips & Tickets, Sue Milslagle; Player Liaison, Angie Tucker. Please feel free to contact the board if you want to volunteer for any committees. Your help is ALWAYS needed.

Meeting dates for 2004 are as follows: Jan. 5th, Feb. 2nd, Mar. 1st, Apr. 12th, May 10th, Jun. 7th, Jul. 5th, Aug. 2nd, Sep. 13th, Oct. 4th, and the Annual Dinner Meeting will be on Nov. 6th.

Please Remember the Toy Drive Breakfast on Saturday December 6th. This Toy Drive will be very special, and as Lois McKoon (see photo below) from PCAA says "it will be **Breakfast with the Boosters**". 10:30 AM at the Santa Ana Elks Lodge, 212 Elk Lane, just off the 5 freeway, near the Santa Ana Zoo. If you cannot attend, but wish to donate, please send your donations to ABC Toy Drive, PO Box 4787, Anaheim, CA 92803. Hopefully we will make many children very happy this holiday season. As always - I want thank everyone for your continued support. I wish everybody a Joyous Holiday Season and a Healthy and Prosperous New Year. **God Bless you all!**



Thanksgiving Thanks . . . Lois McKoon

The requests for Thanksgiving arrived today and I had to get some Kleenex, because they're just so heartbreaking. I would really like to share a couple of them with the Booster Club members.

From the Central 8% center: Two minors with a baby, both work part time and have schooling at the Probation center the other half. They live in a rented room and barely have milk or bread. What they earn pays rent and utilities. The Probation officer said in all her years she has never seen a sadder case than this one. They live in a run down apartment with no stove. Just a hot plate and fridge. The family desperately needs food of any type. A fully cooked thanksgiving dinner would be more than they could dream of, and you are making that dream come true.

From the El Toro 8% site: This minor and her family live with their aunt as they cannot afford rent. They currently live in a motel day by day. Mom is disabled and minor just got a job as a hostess. They are doing their best to survive. This family would greatly benefit from a fully cooked dinner and really get the chance to celebrate this Thanksgiving holiday.

From the West 8% center: Minor lives with mother and younger brother in a trailer. Father passed away two years ago, and since then mom has worked six days a week. They have no funds for a Thanksgiving dinner and would be extremely grateful for any meal, especially this meal.

From the Anaheim 8% center: Two minor brothers residing with mom and younger sibling. Single parent family. Mom works 40 hour week and barely covers living expenses. Parent has stated the approaching holidays are a mounting source of stress as she can barely make ends meet now. There are no other family members to offer assistance.

As you can see **the Booster Club vision to provide Thanksgiving meals was remarkable**, and from God, so that these families could be helped. Words cannot express my heartfelt thanks to the Boosters, and on Thanksgiving Day I will be thinking of these families and the joy they will feel when they see the turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, pumpkin pie and etc . . . and know that someone out there cares! God Bless ALL of you!