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## Home Runner

March 29, 2010

### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Wow, Opening Day beat the rain just in the nick of time. Thanks to our special award winners, the Chatsworth choir, Matt Bowman, and our opening day pitching battery of Kathy Robinson, Audra Strickland and Steve Yeager. The ball players looked great and the Chatsworth Junior Baseball League 2010 season is underway.

Thank you for the many calls and emails with your suggestions for the league. They have been very helpful and we are working hard to implement some of them. Many have requested two umpires on the large field, which we understand is important, and we hope to provide that service in the near future. If you would like to try your hand at umpiring please drop us a line.

The Friday night clinics have been very popular and we will continue to provide them throughout the year. Clinics are limited to thirty players and are separated into two groups 5-8 year olds and 9-14 year olds. Check the website for your age group and clinic dates.

I look forward to seeing you at the ballpark,

Jim Sandberg  
CJBL President



### MESSAGE FROM AUXILIARY

Wow, what a great Opening Day Ceremony. Can you believe we made it through without a drop of rain? The kids were so excited marching out with their teams and displaying their banners proudly. Although they were all great, a special congratulations to the banner winners: AA Marlins, AA Angels and AAA Cardinals. Then the rain came and we had to sit out the Opening Day games. That was ok, we already got off to a great start. Games can be made up, but Opening Ceremonies are memories not to be missed.

Thank you to the Board of Directors and Auxiliary Board for the amount of time, work and dedication that you put in prior to the start of the season, and of course the many days to come. Thank you Terri Norkus and Kim Bowman for doing such a good job in planning and managing the Opening Day event.

The Auxiliary has been meeting and planning since last August. We have our dine-outs starting in April with Casa De Carlos on April 13, then Vincenzo's Pizza in June. Watch for information in May for CJBL's first "Movie in the Park."

This year we have our raffle ticket fundraiser back and you can win four great prizes. It's an easy sell. Players will be selling tickets between March 27 and April 25. Team baskets are also due on April 25th. Can't wait to see all the cool baskets...

Then onto our CJBL Social Night "Bowling for Baseball" on Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> from 8:00 pm to 12:00 am. For adults 21 years or older at Mission Hills Bowl. There is unlimited bowling, raffle prizes, silent auction and snacks. Its so much fun. Tickets may be purchased from any Board of Director or Auxiliary member.

See you at the field. Jodi Hotchkiss and Betty Duran,  
Auxiliary Co-Presidents





**Dine-Outs** are coming back.

Get ready for a night out  
without  
cooking.

The first dine-out is set for  
**Tuesday, April 13, at Casa De Carlos.** We  
also have one more at **Vincenzo's Pizza in  
June.** Look for flyers from your team par-  
ents. Keep a watchful eye in the next Home  
Runner, field posters and on the web site for  
detailed information regarding all the upcom-  
ing fun events.

*CJBL fundraisers are fun for all as well as  
beneficial to our great organization.*

*Thank you Marg Cashman*

What a wonderful Opening Day. The players, coaches,  
and managers all looked so wonderful in their team uni-  
forms, shirts and hats. However, we also saw many peo-  
ple in the crowd showing their CJBL spirit by wearing one  
of our new fashionable T-shirts with new designs.

The clothing shop was very busy on opening weekend.  
Everyone really likes the ladies tank tops, crew neck  
sweatshirts, the new t-shirts, new hat collection and  
Jewelry. We would like to thank all who visited the shop  
and encourage everyone else to stop by and check-out all  
the regular and new items we have available. Stop by and  
show your CJBL spirit by wearing one of our fashionable  
items.

See you at the Dug Out, Tonia Palomera

### **“Bowling for Baseball”**

Please join us for the CJBL  
**Social Night on May 1, 2010, 8:00 pm,** at Mission  
Hills Bowl in Mission Hills. Don't miss out on the  
fun!

With Billiards, DJ, Door Prizes, Raffles, Silent  
Auction and more, there will be lots to do! Tickets  
are available now from any Board Member or Auxili-  
ary Member or at the Dugout. Tickets are \$20.00  
which includes bowling and shoes.

**(Must be 21 yrs or older).**



To our CJBL Parents and Players,

We would like to thank you in advance  
for supporting our efforts with our Raffle Fund-  
raiser. As many of you know, CJBL is a non-  
profit organization and does not receive outside  
funding like many other Little Leagues do, so  
our fundraiser is extremely vital to the league.  
It has allowed us to improve the fields to be one  
of the best throughout the entire valley. Al-  
though the costs for utilities, uniforms and  
many other expenses have gone up, CJBL has  
always felt that it was important to keep fees as  
low as possible. We are strictly a volunteer or-  
ganization so all monies raised go directly to the  
maintenance or improvement of our league.

This is your opportunity to show your  
CJBL pride and support our incredible organiza-  
tion. Please help us, so we can continue to pro-  
vide a quality service to the youth of our com-  
munity through baseball.

Thank you,  
Paulette Collins and Gracie Rogers

### ***Raffle Prizes...***

This year's supporters will have four chances to  
win.

- Grand prize is a 3-day Mexico Cruise for 2
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: 50" Flat Screen T.V.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$400.00 American Express Gift Card
- 4<sup>th</sup> Prize: Blue-Ray Player

The drawing will be held on May 1, 2010, at our  
“Bowling for Baseball” Fundraiser Social at  
Mission Bowl. **Winner need not be present.**

Our Raffle Ticket Fundraiser will begin March  
27, 2010, and end on April 25, 2010. All enve-  
lopes must be turned in to your team parent by  
this date along with your team basket to be auc-  
tioned off at the Bowling Night Social.

# Standings

AA	Wins	Losses	Ties
Indians	5	0	0
Red Sox	3	1	0
Twins	3	2	0
Phillies	2	2	0
Angels	2	3	0
Marlins	1	4	0
Pirates	0	4	0

Home Runs: Christian Bustos & Tessa Thompson

Juniors	Wins	Losses	Ties
Mariners	7	0	0
Giants	4	2	0
Reds	3	2	1
Cardinals	3	4	0
Astros	2	3	1
Phillies	2	3	1
Royals	2	3	1
Red Sox	0	6	0

Home Runs: Jesus Sanchez

AAA	Wins	Losses	Ties
Cubs	6	0	0
Yankees	4	1	0
White Sox	3	2	0
Dodgers	2	3	1
Tigers	1	5	0
Cardinals	0	5	1

Home Runs: Nick Henry (3), Davis Cohen (2), Dylan Saltman (2), John Cashman (GS), Eddie DeLuca, Connor Hoyt, Tommy Palomera, Hunter Pena, Junior Torres & Wessley Wright.

Seniors	Wins	Losses	Ties
Pirates	2	1	0
Yankees	2	1	0
Padres	2	1	0
Reds	0	3	0

Home Runs: Michael Gill, Javier Castaneda, Kyle Ponticelli, Dalton Jones & Christian Zarate

**For any questions/concerns you might have in regards to CJBL baseball playing rules, please refer to our website - WWW.CJBL.org under section entitled RULES.**



**MAKE UP  
PICTURE DAY IS  
APRIL 14TH AT  
CJBL 4:30 PM**

We would like to publish action photos you might have taken during your child's game. If you have any pictures you would like to share, please email them to photos@cjbl.org. These pictures will possibly be posted on the internet and also on the CJBL bulletin board at the field. Large files are not a problem. Please send the highest resolution possible.



Were you caught singing on Picture Day?

*"If you can imagine yourself succeeding in some area, then you can. Nothing you imagine in your mind is impossible."*

## Reminders

Any extra household towels or wash clothes that you may want to part with are always needed for snack bar cleanup. Please deliver to the snack bar.

Please donate your old or outgrown baseball items and equipment to CJBL. Elmer accepts these donations year-round for grateful players.

We are taking donations of new or used tennis balls. CJBL kids love to play with them in their spare time. (Hurry!!! Most of ours are flat!!!!) They rent for \$1.00 from the snack bar. Return the ball and get your \$1.00 back!



Please remind your children to walk, "not run" through the CJBL parking lot. In this world of "SUV's", it makes it hard to see our precious little ones. Please keep a watchful eye when you are pulling in or out of the parking lot.

**Chatsworth Jr. Baseball League**  
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*“Dedicated to the Youth of Chatsworth Since 1956”*

To the Parents of:

**CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS**

<b>Family Dine Out (Casa De Carlos)</b>	<b>Tuesday, April 13th</b>	<b>Check Flyer</b>
<b>Social Night</b>	<b>Saturday, May 1st</b>	<b>8:00 pm</b>
<b>All Star Games</b>	<b>Monday, May 31st</b>	<b>All Day!</b>
<b>Mothers Softball Game</b>	<b>Monday, May 31st</b>	<b>4:30 pm</b>
<b>Family Campout at the Field</b>	<b>Saturday, June 19th-Sunday, June 20th</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>
<b>Manager/Coach/Team Parent Thank You BBQ</b>	<b>Friday, June 25th</b>	<b>TBD</b>
<b>End of Season &amp; Alumni Game</b>	<b>Sunday, June 27th</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>

