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COLUMN ONE



The Huskies have a team sponsor for the SoccerFest. Amy Esquivel and her dad's business, Valleydale Market, are sponsoring the Huskies for \$1,000. They will be able to wear these special jerseys at the event and all soccer season. Thanks, Mr. Esquivel. You can do it too! Forms available in the office.

SoccerFest 2016 Time Is Here

What do the Rose Bowl, the Angels, In 'n Out, and Starbucks all have in common? Well, they are all new prizes for selling tickets to Kare Youth League's SoccerFest at the Rose Bowl on Saturday, June 11. Every team in Kare Youth League will get a chance to play inside the Rose Bowl where so many historic games have taken place. Each week in the Interleaguer we will go into detail about a certain facet of the event. We will start with the "All you can play pass". This pass will allow your child to play all the games in the carnival area for no charge (a \$10 value). Tickets will be coming out after Easter. Make sure to get yours!

Special Scheduling Note During Easter

Kare Youth League will not have any regular activities from Thursday, March 24 through Tuesday, March 29. Regular activities will begin again on Wednesday, March 30.

There will be a special Easter service presented by Rio Hondo Prep High School students in Arcadia on Easter morning. The morning will begin with a special performance by the high school at 9:00 a.m., followed by a continental breakfast, and then a shortened Kare Youthchurch service. Everyone is invited. If you are not already attending a service that morning, please consider coming out to support some of the young men and women that help assist in the Kare Youth League program. You just might go home...inspired.

The Rookie at Age 36: Part Two

By Scott McClain - Provided by Guidepost

I worked even harder. Trained like crazy. Took batting practice till my hands blistered. My play improved, but more slowly than I'd hoped. Back home, my old buddies had graduated into good jobs. Some would soon be starting families. By 1997, my seventh season in the minor leagues, I still seemed to be headed nowhere. That spring the Orioles traded me to the New York Mets. At the end of the 1997 season, the Mets gave up on me too and I was picked up by the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

About a month into the season something clicked. All those years of practice and training began to pay off. Suddenly I found my swing. I bashed home runs like I had in high school; 34 over the course of the 1998 season. One August morning there was a knock at my hotel door. It was my minor league manager. "Pack your bags," he said. "You've been called up." I grabbed my cell phone and hit speed dial. "Jennifer," I shouted, "we did it!" Nine long years, I thought, on the plane to Tampa. Maybe the hard part is finally over.

It wasn't. Late in the 2nd game up, the manager signaled for me to pinch hit. I stepped into the batter's box. This is the moment I've dreamed of, I thought. Oh, to hit a home run! A strike sizzled by before I could take a breath. On the next pitch, I flied out weakly to right field. This was going to be a lot tougher than I'd thought. Two weeks later the team sent me back down.

Frankly, the next six years were a blur. The first two I spent in the minors, the last four with the Seibu Lions, a Japanese professional team. I played strictly for money. I stopped thinking about my big-league dream. I played to survive. I hit 71 home runs in Japan. But after a few years, the pull of the majors gnawed at me. I returned to the States in the spring of 2005. I was 33, too old to win a regular spot on a major league team. All I wanted was one last chance to hit a big-league home run. "To hit one out, that would make all those years worthwhile," I told Jennifer.

(conclusion in next Interleaguer)

KARE YOUTH LEAGUE GAMES AND ACTIVITIES

Schedule for Saturday, April 2

GREAT START

| | | |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|
| Steelers vs. Cowboys | 11:00 | A-4 |
| Tigers vs. Eagles | 11:00 | C-1 |
| Upland vs. Lions | 11:00 | U-1 |
| Grizzlies and Colts Bye | | |

C DIVISION

Thursday, March 31

| | | |
|--------------------------|-------|-----|
| FSU vs. Georgia | 5:45 | A-4 |
| Saturday, April 2 | | |
| FSU vs. Georgia | 12:15 | C-1 |
| Falcons vs. Kentucky | 1:15 | U-1 |

B DIVISION

| | | |
|-----------------|------|-----|
| FSU vs. Georgia | 1:30 | C-1 |
| Falcons vs. UNC | 2:30 | U-1 |
| Kentucky Bye | | |

A DIVISION

| | | |
|-----------------|-------|-----|
| FSU vs. Georgia | 12:30 | C-3 |
| Falcons vs. UNC | 10:45 | U-2 |
| Kentucky Bye | | |

AA DIVISION

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|-----------------|-------|-----|
| FSU vs. Georgia | 10:45 | C-3 |
| Falcons vs. UNC | 9:00 | U-2 |
| Kentucky Bye | | |

AAA DIVISION

| | | |
|----------------------|------|-----|
| Georgia vs. Kentucky | 9:00 | A-3 |
| UNC vs. Falcons | 9:00 | C-2 |

PAC 12 "B" DIVISION

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|-------------|-------|-----|
| UNC vs. USC | 10:45 | C-2 |
| Cal Bye | | |

PAC 12 "A" DIVISION

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|-----------------|-------|-----|
| Cal vs. USC | 1:30 | A-3 |
| UCLA vs. Oregon | 12:30 | C-2 |



"We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard..."

John, the one that Christ loved

Schedule for Saturday, April 2

ROYAL FRIENDS

Arcadia & Covina – Come Saturday from 9:00-10:30 for t-ball practice.

Upland – Come Friday from 5:00-6:30 for softball.

KARENAS

| | | |
|------------------------|------|-----|
| Tarheels vs. Falcons | 9:00 | U-1 |
| Seminoles vs. Bulldogs | 9:00 | C-3 |
| Wild Dogs vs. Kentucky | 9:00 | A-2 |

PAC 5 B DIVISION

| | | |
|--------------------|------|-----|
| Covina vs. Huskies | 2:30 | C-3 |
| Eagles vs. Cougars | 4:30 | A-2 |
| Hawks Bye | | |

PAC 5 A DIVISION

| | | |
|----------------------|------|-----|
| Eagles vs. Cougars | 2:30 | A-3 |
| Hawks vs. Ravens | 4:30 | A-3 |
| Panthers vs. Huskies | 4:30 | C-2 |

UPCOMING EVENTS

Easter Vacation from Thursday, March 24 through Tuesday, March 29.

Special Easter Performance in Arcadia on Sunday, March 27.

Rio Hondo Prep Varsity Baseball vs. Germantown from Pennsylvania on Friday, April 1. (No fooling)

Pearl Prep Family Night and Spring Musical on Tuesday, April 12.

Rio Hondo Prep Open House on Thursday, April 14.

Pearl Prep Open House on Thursday, April 28.

Mother's Day on Sunday, May 8.

Rio Hondo Prep Drama Presentation on Friday, May 13 and Saturday, May 14.

Softball Championships on Saturday, May 21.

No Kare Activities from Friday, May 27 through Monday, May 30.

Schedule for Saturday, April 9

GREAT START

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------|-----|
| Upland vs. Steelers | 11:00 | U-1 |
| Eagles vs. Colts | 11:00 | A-4 |
| Grizzlies vs. Tigers | 11:00 | C-1 |
| Cowboys and Lions Bye | | |

C DIVISION

| | | |
|----------------------|-------|-----|
| Falcons vs. FSU | 12:15 | U-1 |
| Georgia vs. Kentucky | 1:15 | A-4 |

B DIVISION

| | | |
|------------------|------|-----|
| Falcons vs. FSU | 1:30 | U-1 |
| UNC vs. Kentucky | 3:30 | C-1 |
| Georgia Bye | | |

A DIVISION

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|------------------|-------|-----|
| Falcons vs. FSU | 10:45 | U-2 |
| UNC vs. Kentucky | 12:30 | C-3 |
| Georgia Bye | | |

AA DIVISION

Wednesday, April 6

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|----------------------|------|-----|
| Georgia vs. Kentucky | 5:30 | A-2 |
| FSU vs. UNC | 4:30 | C-3 |

Saturday, April 9

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|------------------|-------|-----|
| Falcons vs. FSU | 9:00 | U-2 |
| UNC vs. Kentucky | 10:45 | C-3 |
| Georgia Bye | | |

AAA DIVISION

Wednesday, April 6

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|------------------|------|-----|
| Kentucky vs. UNC | 5:30 | A-3 |
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Saturday, April 9

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| Georgia vs. Falcons | 9:00 | A-3 |
| UNC vs. Kentucky | 9:00 | C-2 |

PAC 12 "B" DIVISION

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| *New Game Times for the rest of baseball | | |
| Cal vs. UNC | 12:45* | A-3 |
| USC vs. RHP | 12:45* | C-2 |

PAC 12 "A" DIVISION

Friday, April 8

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|----------------|------|-----|
| Cal vs. UCLA | 5:30 | A-3 |
| USC vs. Oregon | 5:30 | C-2 |

Saturday, April 9

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|---|--------|-----|
| *New Game Times for the rest of baseball | | |
| Cal vs. UCLA | 10:45* | A-3 |
| USC vs. Oregon | 10:45* | C-2 |

ROYAL FRIENDS

Arcadia & Covina – Come Saturday from 9:00-10:30 for t-ball and make gold slime (and of course, gold slime is much nicer than green slime).

Upland – Come Friday from 5:00-6:30 for softball.

KARENAS

| | | |
|------------------------|------|-----|
| Falcons vs. Kentucky | 9:00 | U-1 |
| Tarheels vs. Bulldogs | 9:00 | C-3 |
| Wild Dogs vs. Seminole | 9:00 | A-2 |

PAC 5 B DIVISION

| | | |
|--------------------|-------|-----|
| Cougars vs. Covina | 12:30 | U-2 |
| Hawks vs. Eagles | 2:30 | A-2 |
| Huskies Bye | | |

PAC 5 A DIVISION

| | | |
|----------------------|------|-----|
| Cougars vs. Panthers | 2:30 | U-2 |
| Hawks vs. Eagles | 4:30 | A-3 |
| Ravens vs. Huskies | 4:30 | C-2 |

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