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## A's To Recognize Family of Sgt. Scott Lunger this Sunday

Hall of Famer Rickey Henderson to catch ceremonial first pitch from Lunger's father

WHAT:

## Pregame ceremony to honor family of Sgt. Scott Lunger

As part of Law Enforcement Day, the A's will honor the memory of Sgt. Scott Lunger with a host of pregame ceremonies, beginning with an on-field police motorcade. After the motorcade, A's players' wives and girlfriends will present Sgt. Lunger's family with personalized A's jerseys and another special gift.

Sgt. Lunger's father, Paul, and two daughters, Ashton and Sara, will throw out the game's ceremonial first pitches, with Rickey Henderson—Sgt. Lunger's all-time favorite player—to catch Paul's pitch. The Oakland Police Department and Alameda County Sheriff's Office will present the colors for the national anthem, which will be performed on trumpet by Robert Payne of the San Jose Police Department. Prior to the anthem, the A's will observe a moment of silence in Sgt. Lunger's memory.

Other notes about the pregame ceremonies:

- A's players will wear special Hayward Police Department hats during batting practice. These hats will be sold during the game's silent auction (behind Section 120), with proceeds benefitting the Hayward Police Association.
- The Tri-Valley A's—Sgt. Lunger's men's league baseball team—will join the A's on the field during the national anthem.
- The A's will hang a LUNGER jersey—with #106, his badge number, on the back—in the dugout during the game.

WHEN: Sunday, Aug. 9

Pregame ceremonies begin at approximately 12:45 p.m.

A's vs. Astros game begins at 1:05 p.m.

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