



# OAKLAND ATHLETICS

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### News and Notes About the A's Upcoming Homestand

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	TELEVISION
<b>MONDAY, MAY 13</b> .....	<b>TEXAS RANGERS</b> .....	<b>7:05 P.M.</b> .....	<b>CSNCA</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Live national anthem – Liberty High School</li> </ul>			
<b>TUESDAY, MAY 14</b> .....	<b>TEXAS RANGERS</b> .....	<b>7:05 P.M.</b> .....	<b>CSNCA</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A's and Ross Dress For Less "Mathletics" program visit by Jerry Blevins to Claremont Middle School in Oakland (1:15 p.m.)</li> <li>• A's Home Run Readers program visit by Michael Taylor at Head Royce School in Oakland (1 p.m.)</li> <li>• Chevy Free Parking Tuesdays</li> <li>• Live national anthem – California High School</li> </ul>			
<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 15</b> .....	<b>TEXAS RANGERS</b> .....	<b>12:35 P.M.</b> .....	<b>CSNCA</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BART \$2 Wednesday</li> <li>• A's Home Run Reader Day</li> <li>• Color Guard – U.S. Coast Guard</li> <li>• Live National Anthem – Anthony Smith</li> </ul>			
<b>THURSDAY, MAY 16</b> .....			<b>OFF DAY</b> .....
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sean Doolittle to visit VA Palo Alto Hospital on behalf of Freedom Alliance (2-4 p.m.)</li> </ul>			
<b>FRIDAY, MAY 17</b> .....	<b>KANSAS CITY ROYALS</b> .....	<b>7:05 P.M.</b> .....	<b>CSNCA</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A's and Chevron "Science of the Game" program visit by Eric Sogard at Stege Elementary in Richmond (1 p.m.)</li> <li>• A's 95.7 The GAME pre-game show radio remote from the Budweiser Bowtie Bar, behind Section 129 (6:30 p.m.)</li> <li>• Ceremonial first pitch – MLB/A's honorary bat girl Kristin Frost</li> <li>• Live national anthem – Hercules Middle and High Schools</li> <li>• CSNCA Authentic Fan Friday</li> <li>• XFINITY Friday Family Pack</li> <li>• Sims Recycling Solutions Used Phone Recycling program, Guest Relations Booth behind Section 120</li> </ul>			
<b>SATURDAY, MAY 18</b> .....	<b>KANSAS CITY ROYALS</b> .....	<b>6:05 P.M.</b> .....	<b>CSNCA</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Energize Your Field with PG&amp;E and the A's" opening ceremony and clinic with Adam Rosales at Stenzel Field in San Leandro (12 p.m.)</li> <li>• Social Media Night in the Bar &amp; Grille (4:05 p.m.)</li> <li>• Live national anthem - Napa High School</li> <li>• Cache Creek Saturday</li> <li>• A's Community Fund Silent Auction, behind Section 120</li> <li>• Sims Recycling Solutions Used Phone Recycling program, Guest Relations Booth behind Section 120</li> <li>• "Star Trek Into Darkness" themed post-game fireworks show, presented by XFINITY</li> </ul>			
<b>SUNDAY, MAY 19</b> .....	<b>KANSAS CITY ROYALS</b> .....	<b>1:05 P.M.</b> .....	<b>CSNCA</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A's Scout Day</li> <li>• A's "Mathletics" Day, sponsored by Ross Dress For Less</li> <li>• Giveaway – Kids beanie, sponsored by Ross Dress For Less (5,000 kids)</li> <li>• Live national anthem – Los Lamos High School</li> <li>• Take the Field with the A's</li> <li>• A's Community Fund Silent Auction, behind Section 120</li> <li>• Sims Recycling Solutions Used Phone Recycling program, Guest Relations Booth behind Section 120</li> <li>• Post-Game Race Around the Bases, sponsored by Chevrolet</li> </ul>			

**\*\*For additional information about the promotions or events listed above, please visit [www.oaklandathletics.com](http://www.oaklandathletics.com)\*\***

### Promotions and Special Events

**Ceremonial First Pitch:** On Monday, May 13, four-year-old Jacob Robertson, the boy who was captured on TV receiving a foul ball from his dad during the A's Tigers game April 14 and throwing it back onto the field, will toss out the ceremonial first pitch of the game.

**Social Media Night:** On Saturday, May 18, fans that purchased designated tickets will be invited to join A's players and media personalities for a Tweet-Up. The event will take place from 4:05-5:45 p.m. in the Bar & Grille and will feature A's pitchers **Jerry Blevins** (@JerryBlevins\_13) and **Sean Doolittle** (@whatwouldDOOdo) and A's in-stadium host **Kara Tsuboi** (@karashotcorner), among others. For more information, follow @Athletics on Twitter and to purchase tickets please visit [www.oaklandathletics.com/tweetup](http://www.oaklandathletics.com/tweetup).

**A's Post-Game Fireworks Show:** A's fans will be invited down to the field after the game Saturday, May 18 to watch a special *Star Trek Into Darkness* themed fireworks show, presented by XFINITY.

**Scout Day:** The A's will host their annual Scout Day Sunday, May 19, when Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of all ages have the opportunity to take part in a pre-game festival, parade around the field and receive a commemorative patch, in addition to receiving a kids beanie giveaway item, sponsored by Ross Dress For Less (distributed to 5,000 kids at the game).

### Community Relations

**Ross Dress For Less "Mathletics" Program:** On Tuesday, May 14 at 1:15 p.m., **Jerry Blevins** will visit Claremont Middle School in Oakland (5750 College Ave.) as a part of the A's "Mathletics" program. Blevins will participate in an assembly with close to 50 students, featuring a Q&A session and trivia contest. The A's "Mathletics" program, sponsored by Ross Dress For Less, is a unique program designed to stress the importance of students utilizing math in their daily lives.

**A's Home Run Reader Program:** Outfielder **Michael Taylor** will visit with close to 80 first through eighth graders at the Head Royce School in Oakland (5301 Case Ave.) on behalf of the A's Home Run Readers program at 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 14. Taylor will congratulate students who reached their reading goals, host a Q/A session and sign autographs for correct trivia answers.

**Doolittle Supports Freedom Alliance:** Pitcher **Sean Doolittle**, whose father is a retired member of the Air Force and step-mother is active duty Air National Guard, is partnering with Freedom Alliance, an educational and charitable organization that sponsors numerous programmatic activities aimed at supporting and honoring service members and their families, for a number of visits and fundraising activities this season. On behalf of the Freedom Alliance, Doolittle will visit the **VA Palo Alto Hospital** (3801 Miranda Ave.) Thursday, May 16 from 2-4 p.m., host a dozen veterans for a batting practice visit and A's game June 14 and July 26 and visit the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington D.C. Aug. 23. In addition, the Freedom Alliance will receive proceeds from the A's Community Fund Silent Auction held at O.co Coliseum during the A's games July 2-4.

## **Community Relations**

**Chevron “Science of the Game” Program:** On Friday, May 17 at 1 p.m., infielder **Eric Sogard** and team mascot **Stomper** will visit Stege Elementary School in Richmond to launch the 2013 “Science of the Game” program, a partnership between the Oakland A’s, Chevron and Bay Area schools. Sogard will pass out “Science of the Game” workbooks to approximately 100 fourth and fifth graders, work through science problems with students and reward them with autographed A’s hats. Each student will also receive two tickets to the A’s 12:35 p.m. game against the Cincinnati Reds June 26. For more information please visit [www.oaklandathletics.com/science](http://www.oaklandathletics.com/science). *[SEE SEPARATE ADVISORY]*

**MLB/A’s “Honorary Bat Girl” Ceremonial First Pitch:** Prior to the game Friday, May 17, Kristin Frost will be recognized by the A’s as their local 2013 MLB Go to Bat Against Breast Cancer “Honorary Bat Girl” contest winner. The MLB Honorary Bat Girl Contest is a campaign to recognize baseball fans who have been affected by breast cancer and have demonstrated a commitment to fighting the disease.

**“Energize Your Field with PG&E and the A’s” Program:** The A’s and PG&E will hold an “Energize Your Field” opening ceremony Saturday, May 18 at 12 p.m. for the newly renovated Stenzel Field in San Leandro. Following the ceremony, infielder **Adam Rosales** will host a fielding clinic for members of the Washington Manor and San Leandro Little League teams. The A’s, in partnership with the PG&E and the Good Tidings Foundation, renovated Stenzel Field this past March. The renovation included new irrigation, sod, bases, pitcher and catcher mounds, professional grade infield dirt mix and a new windscreen in the team areas. For more information visit [www.oaklandathletics.com/energizeyourfield](http://www.oaklandathletics.com/energizeyourfield) *[SEE SEPARATE ADVISORY]*

**YEAH Program Supported by Chili Davis:** On May 19, Young Entrepreneurs at Haas (YEAH) representatives will be at O.co Coliseum with an information table behind Section 120 where fans can purchase raffle tickets for a Chevy Volt car. YEAH, a self-supporting program based at Cal’s Haas School of Business, has been mentoring and teaching business skills to economically disadvantaged middle school and high school students for 23 years. Chili Davis, the A’s hitting coach, has lent his support to YEAH, serving as honorary chairman of their annual golf tournament and doing promotional work on their behalf. One-hundred percent of students who complete YEAH’s four-year program have graduated from high school and gone on to college, and they are usually the first in their families to do so. For more information please visit [www.voltraffle.com](http://www.voltraffle.com).

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