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Oakland A's to Open 2018 Season at the Oakland Coliseum on Thursday, March 29

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland Athletics will open their 50th anniversary season with a rare 1:05 p.m. Opening Day game versus the Los Angeles Angels on Thursday, March 29, at the Oakland Coliseum. The following night, the A's will honor members of the 50th Anniversary Team before they host the Angels for Opening Night.

Opening Day:

Baseball Hall of Famer and A's Special Assistant to the President Rollie Fingers will throw out the ceremonial first pitch ahead of the Opening Day game versus the Los Angeles Angels. Opening Day will also include a Navy flyover, Season Ticket Members holding the American flag in centerfield, and an A's 50th anniversary logo wall hang giveaway for 25,000 fans.

WHEN: Thursday, March 29, at 1:05 p.m.

MEDIA NOTE: Non-rightsholders are permitted to transmit live reports from the Coliseum until noon.

Local OTA will be asked to clear the field at that time. If you would like a copy of pregame

footage, please contact NBC Sports California.

Opening Night:

The 50th Anniversary Team will be honored during a pregame ceremony starting at 6:40 p.m. Twenty-seven members of the Team are scheduled to attend, in addition to family members of four deceased alumni. The full 50th Anniversary Team list is attached. Members representing each of the A's ownership groups will also be present for the ceremony. Steve Vucinich, A's equipment manager and the longest-tenured employee in Athletics history, will throw out the ceremonial first pitch.

WHEN: Friday, March 30, at 7:30 p.m.

*Fans are encouraged to be in their seats by 6:40 p.m. for the pregame ceremony

Members of the 50th Anniversary Team will be available for media interviews from 4:45 to

5:30 p.m. on the field.

MEDIA NOTE: Non-rightsholders are permitted to transmit live reports from the Coliseum until 6 p.m.

Local OTA will be asked to clear the field at that time. If you would like a copy of pregame

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