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Next Sports Boosters Meeting - October 2nd, 7pm

More info: Sports Boosters Website

# **Message from Our President**

Welcome to the 2017-2018 school year! I am excited to serve as the Sports Booster President for the upcoming year. My predecessors have established a strong foundation for which I am eager to build upon. While the long term Mission and Purpose of Sports Boosters remains resolute and unchanging. I believe wholeheartedly that the work done today must be enduring as well as purposeful, always with the next generation in mind. During my tenure, I am hoping to grow our extraordinary legacy by documenting and memorializing our athletes accomplishments. Additionally, I aim to maintain as well as develop greater relationships with our community including coaches, current athletes as well as alumni. Only through these relationships with our community can a true Longhorn legacy be forged for future generations.

I am thankful to serve alongside a skilled and energetic team. My fellow board members and committee chairs are gifted and generous with their time and talents. For their tireless dedication I am extremely grateful.

- Vice President Michelle Benavides
- Secretary Elizabeth Kilik
- Treasurer Drew Doblar
- Membership Megan Viskovich and Michelle Ryder
- Merchandise Megan Viskovich and Michelle Ryder
- Communications Aine O'Donovan & Leanne Johnson
- Fundraising Michelle Falarski
- Snack Shack Renee Rodriguez

I encourage you to get involved by attending our monthly meetings (our next meeting is October 2nd at 7pm), supporting our athletes at their events and staying connected with Leigh All Sports Boosters. For more information please visit our website. Please also consider making a donation to Sports Boosters. Our Annual Giving is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we appreciate any donation you can make.

With gratitude, Kristina Williams President, Leigh High Sports Boosters

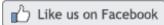
# Stay Connected

Welcome to the Leigh Athletics community! We are thrilled to have you and your family be a part of this great community. Our support network includes Leigh's athlete's coaching staff, our Athletic Director, Jake Shaughnessy, and our parent organization, Leigh Sports Boosters. We invite you to connect with us and join

in the fun.

Here are a few ways you can do this...

- Check out our Athletic Director's weekly updates on the Leigh Athletics homepage.
- Stay up to date with your athlete's schedule on the Leigh Athletics sports pages: <u>Fall</u>, <u>Winter</u>, <u>Spring</u>.
- Check out our **Sports Boosters website** for information on all things related to Leigh sports.
- Subscribe to the <u>Sports Boosters mailing list</u> to receive monthly newsletters and stay up to date with happenings in Leigh Athletics.
- Become a Sports Boosters member and donate to Sports Boosters.
- Attend Sports Boosters Board meetings. Our next meeting is October 2nd at 7pm.
- Volunteer your time by supporting the snack shack.
- Join a committee. Send an email to Sports Boosters President, Kristina Williams, at asbcpresident@leighhsc.org.
- Follow Sports Boosters on Facebook



• Follow Leigh Athletics on Twitter

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- Attend Dining Out Nights...
  - Mooyah Sept 13, 1-9pm
  - Chipotle Oct 10, 5-9pm
  - Armadillo Willy's Nov 29, 5-9pm

# **Fall Sports Underway**

The six Fall sports teams have been busy getting ready for their seasons to start, with some holding their first matches or games this week. Come on out and support your Leigh athletes!

**Field Hockey** won their first match of the season on Monday at Los Altos, 2-1. The team has two back to back home games - Wednesday 8/30 vs Cupertino and Thursday 8/31 against Monta Vista Var. JV starts @ 3:30 and Var @ 4:45.

**Girls Volleyball** also won their first match of the season on Monday, at home against Oak Grove, 3-0. Their busy week continues on 8/29 with a home game vs. Lincoln and a Thursday 8/31 home game vs. Lynbrook. Game times are Frosh @ 3:30 / JV @ 5:00 / Var @ 6:30 (note that there is no Frosh game vs. Lynbrook).

**Cross Country** continues training this week and kicks off its season on 9/7 with a dual meet vs Oak Grove, Pioneer, and Branham @ Alum Rock @ 3:00

**Girls Tennis** kicks off its season after the Labor Day weekend with a home match on 9/5 vs. Evergreen @ 3:30 and an away match on 9/7 @ Prospect. Match play starts @ 3:30.

**Girls Golf** is in its inaugural season with 13 girls practicing and looking forward to their first competition. A Coaches' Corner with Head Coach Jim Holhenshelt is featured in this month's newsletter.

**Football** kicked off it's season with the traditional rival game against Branham. The Longhorns won by a score of 29-24 in an exciting game. An overview of the BVAL Mount Hamilton teams that Leigh will be competing against this year is in a <a href="Prep2Prep article">Prep2Prep article</a>. The team has a bye this week and kicks off it's season with a home game next Friday 9/8 against Woodside (JV @ 4:00 and Var @ 7:00).



#### Athletes in the News

**Kyle Albert**, Leigh's Quarterback, was in the San Jose Mercury News Highlight Reel on August 31st - "Had 249 yards passing in Leigh's 29-24 victory over neighborhood rival Branham". Congratulations Kyle!

Share your exciting news with us - Email us at communications@leighhsc.org

#### **Coaches Corner**

# Not a complaint but:

Contributed by Head Golf Coach, Jim Hohenshelt

I have been coaching the boys golf team at Leigh high School since 2002. Since that first year, I have tried to put together a girls' team also. I must admit I am a little partial to the ladies since I have 5 daughters and no sons. When I accepted the position at Leigh, it was my first experience with coaching boys after many years of soccer, softball, and a little volleyball with the girls. Over the years, I have never had more than 2 girls show up any one year and it takes 4 to make a team. Girls golf season is in the Fall and Boys golf season is in the Spring. Last Fall (2016), I tried again and again only 2 girls showed up. They were Irene Jun and Tori Gyorey. I worked mostly with Tori as she was a beginner and wanted to learn the game. Irene Jun is a very accomplished golfer as I will address in a minute. The rules are, if there is no girls' team at a school, girls may attempt to qualify for the boys team. Since Leigh did not have a girls team, Irene tried out for the boys team. Her performance produced a number 2 rank on the boys team and she remained as the #2 on the boys team throughout the season (Spring 2016). With Irene's help, Leigh finished 4th in the 24 school Blossom Valley Athletic League (BVAL).

This Fall, I tried again. The Leigh High School girls golf team had 21 girls sign up and 13 are showing up (including, Irene and Tori) on a regular bases. Like I said, Not a complaint but WOW. It is even more encouraging that of the 13 girls, there is only 1 senior (Tori) and 1 junior. Leigh High School should have a quite competitive girls golf team for years to come. That is very good news after all those lean years.

# Help Sports Boosters reach our Annual Membership Goal of \$18,000

Thank you to everyone who has donated to our membership drive to date, especially to our many Super VIP Members. Our membership drive is our largest fundraiser of the year and at our \$97 membership level you gain access into all Leigh 2017-2018 home sporting events.

To date we have raised almost \$11,000. Please help us reach our goal of \$18,000! Go to our website today to become a member: <a href="http://leighsportsboosters.org/">http://leighsportsboosters.org/</a>

#### Member Contribution Level Benefits

- Super VIP Supporter (\$263): Entire family (2 adults/2 children) in free to all home sporting events (excluding CCS games). In addition receive a Leigh stadium chair (valued at \$50). Note: Leigh Students that have an ASB card get in free.
- VIP Supporter (\$97): Entire family (2 adults/2 children) in free to all home sporting events (excluding CCS games). Note: Leigh Students that have an ASB card get in free.
- Discount Card (\$54): Entire family gets \$1 off each home ticket (excluding CCS games).

Already a member? Come to Leigh's first home football game on Friday, September 8th to pick up your membership cards. Any cards not picked up that night will be mailed to you.

We will also be selling Leigh merchandise at our home football games. Come purchase a Leigh hat, shirt or sweatshirt and support our colors!

#### Volunteers Needed for Snack Shack

A big thank you to those who volunteered to help at the snack shack during the BVAL Football Jamboree. The evening was a huge success (and helped bring in over \$2,500 to support Leigh Athletics!).

We need lots more help to continue providing such a valued part of the Leigh game day experience - for students, parents, and visitors. Please <u>sign up now</u> at for at least one shift at the snack shack. It's a great group to work with, the time goes by super fast, and all money raised goes to support ALL of the athletes and teams at Leigh. Thank you for your help!

# Dining Out Night

#### **Supporting**



# Leigh High School Sports Boosters

Mooyah Burgers Fries and Shakes 15529 Union Ave Los Gatos CA 95032 (408) 963-6509

Date: Wednesday September 13<sup>th</sup>

Time: 1-9pm

\*\*Dine in or take out

Mention this flyer while paying, and a % of the processed go directly to LHS Sports Boosters. Stop by after school or on your way home both days and try something new!

Don't forget one of their awesome shakes!

NOTE: Wednesday is a teacher collaboration day!!

Come eat lunch at Mooyah!!

\*\*This cannot be used with any other coupon, certificate or online discount.

# **Funding Approvals and Requests**

# Approved at the August 28th Sports Boosters meeting:

• Football jerseys - \$4952





# **Measure AA Bond Update**

Thanks to Measure AA, Leigh received a brand new track and turf field over the summer. The new turf includes endzone lettering highlighting LEIGH and LONGHORNS. Still on track for Leigh with respect to athletic facility improvements are softball dugouts, a new

### Leigh Sports Boosters Purpose

The purpose of Sports
Boosters is to encourage
participation in all aspects of
Leigh school sports, to promote
awareness of all Leigh
athletic teams, and to
fundraise and provide other
services and assistance to
benefit Leigh athletic
programs and facilities.

El propósito de Boosters Deportes es para fomentar la participación en todos los aspectos del deporte escolar Leigh, para promover el conocimiento de todos los equipos atléticos Leigh, y para recaudar fondos y proveer otros servicios y asistencia en beneficio de Leigh programas e instalaciones deportivas.

#### Sports Boosters Membership

You can become a member of Leigh Sports Boosters at any time. Membership at the \$97 level gets you in to all regular season home games for all sports.

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press box at the turf field, new scoreboards, and a new pool. Stay tuned to District updates on the timing and progress of the various Bond improvements by following the Board meetings (which can be viewed online).



#### **Leigh Sports Boosters Board**

#### 2017-2018 Board Members

Kristina President

Williams

Vice President Michelle

Benavides Treasurer Drew Doblar

Elizabeth Secretary Kilik

#### **Newsletter Archive**

Read past newsletters here

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# **Sports Boosters Website**

Check out our website to learn about our organization and how to get involved. The site also includes links to Leigh Athletics information, other resources for sports, and photos.

http://leighsportsboosters.org/

If you have website links, photos or text you would like to include, please let us know. Contact us at communications@leighhsc.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

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