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Great Opportunity to Meet Pro Players & Get Benefits, Too

Host Families Sought for Players In Continental Baseball League

Dallas, Texas; April 2, 2007 – With players coming in from California, New York, New Jersey, Michigan, Minnesota, Louisiana, Kansas and several other cities, the Continental League is looking for a few local families to act as hosts for the upcoming 2007 baseball season which begins on May 25, 2007.

“This is something that is common in many communities throughout minor league baseball, and in fact is one aspect of this level of competition which makes independent league ball so affordable for family entertainment,” said CBL president and CEO Ron Baron. “Most of these players in the league are pursuing a passion, a dream, to be a major league player one day, and along the way, a family hosting a future big leaguer also gets a chance to experience that special ride.

“I’ve talked to families around the country who have hosted a pro minor leaguer in the past and they all tell me how rewarding the experience is for them.”

In the recent CBL player draft, conducted on March 30 in Lewisville, 20 of the 38 players drafted are from Texas origins. But for the other 17 players, and some others who will be signed in the upcoming weeks, there will be a need for some of them to find housing accommodations during the summer season.

Families, which provide a CBL player a residence between mid-May and mid-August, **will receive 4 season CBL VIP tickets**, good to all home games played by either the Lewisville Lizards, Tarrant County Blue Thunder or Dallas based Texas Heat. Each team will be comprised of 20-to-24 players. **In addition to the season tickets, host families will also receive the following host family benefits:**

- **An opportunity to receive personal batting, fielding and pitching tips from the professional player they host, making this a great chance to further educate their children about the sport.**
- **Children over 6 years of age of host families will serve as the bat boy/bat girl from the host player’s team for one home game during the 2007 season.**
- **Host families will receive honorary induction into the booster club of the host player’s team for the 2007 season, and receive all privileges of that membership.**
- **Host families will receive selected promotional items during the season, including team t-shirts, hats and a piece of historic sports memorabilia from a collection that will be used to generate silent auction funds for charities.**

To become a host family sponsor for the 2007 season, those interested should contact the CBL office at 214-234-0018, or the offices of the Lizards (800-535-5512) or Blue Thunder (800-533-5445) and ask for Eddie Aguiar; or visit www.CBLproball.com

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