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Major League Spring Training Coming to Kino Stadium March 18 and March 23

Proceeds From March 23 Game to Benefit Christina-Taylor Green Memorial Foundation

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TUCSON – Major League Spring Training is returning to Kino Veterans Memorial Stadium on Sunday, March 18 when the **San Diego Padres** host the **Colorado Rockies** at 1:05 p.m. The **Chicago White Sox** and **Los Angeles Dodgers** are playing five days later on Friday, March 23 at 1:05 p.m. Gates open at 11:30 a.m. for both games. The Tucson Padres staff is overseeing all game operations for both Spring Training games.

The Pima County Sports & Tourism Authority, Pima County, the Chicago White Sox and the Los Angeles Dodgers have committed the proceeds from the March 23 game to the Christina-Taylor Green Memorial Foundation. Christina-Taylor's passing on January 8, 2011 affected the Dodgers organization closely; her father John Green is a scout for the Dodgers.

Tickets

Wednesday, February 15 - Tickets to both games go on sale online via www.tucsonpadres.com.

Tuesday, March 6 - Tickets to both games go on sale on the phone by calling (520) 434-1367 or by visiting the Kino Stadium box office from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on weekdays. Kino Stadium's address is 2500 East Ajo Way in Tucson.

Ticket Prices

Field Box: \$20 per seat

Outfield Reserved: \$15 per seat

Terrace: \$15 per seat

Bleacher: \$10 per seat

Lawn: \$6 per seat

Suites: \$500 (Includes up to 20 people)

San Diego Padres vs. Colorado Rockies: The Tucson Padres Major League affiliate, the San Diego Padres, are playing their National League West rival Colorado Rockies at Kino Stadium on Sunday, March 18 at 1:05 p.m. "This is a great chance for our fans to get a preseason look at the young and talented San Diego Padres. We may even see some familiar faces from last year's Tucson team," said Mike Feder, Tucson Padres Vice President and General Manager.

The game also marks a return to Tucson for the Colorado Rockies, who held their Major League Spring Training in the Old Pueblo from 1993 to 2010. "The Rockies were great friends to Tucson for many years," said Feder. "I know baseball fans here are thrilled to see the Rockies again."

Chicago White Sox vs. Los Angeles Dodgers Charity Game: The Chicago White Sox are playing the Los Angeles Dodgers on Friday, March 23 at 1:05 p.m. All proceeds from the game are being donated to the Christina-Taylor Green Memorial Foundation. "These games represent the essence of the mission of the Pima County Sports & Tourism Authority. They benefit the youth of the community, utilize Kino stadium for revenue producing events and feature Major League Baseball," said Tom Tracy, Chairman of the Pima County Sports & Tourism Authority. "We are grateful to the teams and players for including Tucson in their Spring Training plans."

The Christina-Taylor Green Memorial Foundation was established by the Green family to receive gifts in memory of Christina-Taylor. The mission of the Christina-Taylor Green Memorial Foundation is to honor the life and memory of Christina-Taylor through charitable and educational projects that reflect and embody her interests, values and dreams.

Christina-Taylor was a proud nine-year-old student leader, ballet dancer and Little League Baseball player. The proceeds are supporting Tucson youth in her name. "On behalf of the Green Family, we would like to thank the Tucson Padres for providing the venue and their expertise. We would also like to thank the Los Angeles Dodgers and Chicago White Sox for playing Major League Baseball in Tucson once again," said John Green, Christina-Taylor's father. "Also, the beneficiary for the game, the CTG Memorial Foundation, will give back to the local community that gave so much to us. Christina-Taylor's wishes and our mission statement are to help those less fortunate in the areas of education, the arts, sports and leadership programs to enrich our children's lives." The foundation's website is www.christina-taylorgreen.org.

Tucson Padres Opening Night is on Thursday, April 5, 2012. Season tickets, weekend plans and voucher packages are now available by calling (520) 434-1367. For more information, you can visit www.tucsonpadres.com or the team's official Facebook page at facebook.com/pages/Tucson-Padres.