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Skeeters Launch Deacon's Dugout

Program Provides Free Tickets to Deserving Youth

SUGAR LAND, Texas --- Today, the Sugar Land Skeeters introduced Deacon's Dugout, an initiative to bring deserving youths to a Skeeters game during the 2012 season. Deacon's Dugout, a dream of Deacon Jones, Hall of Fame Scout and Special Assistant to the President for the Skeeters, will provide 16 tickets per game to deserving youth and families. The initiative is generously underwritten by Methodist Sugar Land Hospital Physician Organization.

"When I was eight years old, I went to my first big league game, and it sparked something within me," said Deacon Jones, the long-time Sugar Land resident. "Every youngster should endeavor to be the best that they can be, despite the privileges they may or may not have received in life. It's my hope that baseball can foster life's lessons for these kids, just as it did for me."

Deacon's Dugout is a way for Houston area youth who would otherwise not be able to attend a game to experience the fun and excitement of professional baseball. Throughout the season, Methodist Sugar Land Hospital Physician Organization and the Skeeters will select non-profit organizations in the region that serve disadvantaged youth and families. Youth ages 4-16 will receive a ticket, a "Deacon's Dugout" t-shirt, hot dog, drink and a baseball experience to last a lifetime.

"We are excited to partner with the Sugar Land Skeeters to provide children in our community the opportunity to have fun and cheer for our new local minor league baseball team," said Chris Siebenaler, CEO of Methodist Sugar Land Hospital. "This is a great way to stay involved in the community while putting smiles on children's faces."

Non-profit organizations interested in participating in Deacon's Dugout should contact Taylor McFarland in the Skeeters front office at 281.240.5523 or email tmcfarland@sugarlandskeeters.com.

About the Sugar Land Skeeters: The Sugar Land Skeeters minor league baseball team, led by Manager and former Major League All-Star Gary Gaetti, will play in the \$35 million Constellation Field, which is being constructed by the City of Sugar Land and the Skeeters at the intersection of State Highway 6 and U.S. Highway 90A. The Sugar Land Skeeters will play 70 regular season home games annually, starting with the 2012 season, presented by ABC Home & Commercial Services, beginning on April 26. Constellation Field will play host to a multitude of other sporting events, including football, soccer, lacrosse, cheerleading and band competitions, as well as concerts, group outings and scout sleepovers. Fixed-seat stadium capacity is approximately 6,000 for baseball, plus additional lawn and standing-room-only tickets. Constellation Field has a capacity of 10,000-plus in concert configuration.

The Sugar Land Skeeters offices are presently located at 16160 City Walk in Sugar Land Town Square, Sugar Land, TX 77479 where additional information, tickets and Inaugural Season merchandise are available. The Skeeters may be reached at www.SugarLandSkeeters.com or by calling 281.240.HITS (4487), and on Facebook (facebook.com/SugarLandSkeeters) and Twitter (@SL_Skeeters).

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