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BASEBALL MONTH IN ROCHESTER TO BENEFIT ADDITIONAL LOCAL NOT-FOR-PROFITS

Red Wings pitcher Anthony Slama, infielder Michael Hollimon, and Red Wings front-office personnel grow mustaches in May to raise money for more organizations in Rochester community

ROCHESTER, NY – Red Wings pitcher Anthony Slama, infielder Michael Hollimon, and members of the Red Wings front office tonight begin raising money for additional not-for-profit organizations as part of Baseball Month in Rochester. Twenty-six Rochester area not-for-profits are already benefitting from a raffle at each of the 26 games during Baseball Month in Rochester. Thirty-six different groups will now benefit from the charitable efforts of the month-long initiative.

Slama, Hollimon, and front-office staff members have pledged to adorn mustaches in May, and they are asking fans to vote for their favorite mustache by contributing to the not-for-profits of their choice.

Beginning tonight at the Red Wings-Louisville Bats game at Frontier Field (7:05 p.m.), and remaining until the final game of Baseball Month in Rochester, a table will be set up in the main breezeway behind homeplate with collection bins featuring photos of the participants with mustaches. Biographical information and details about the not-for-profit groups will also be provided.

“We have arrived at the midway point of Baseball Month in Rochester and figured it was time to use our mustaches to reach more people in need,” Mason said. “Reaching twenty-six organizations in the community is great, but why not reach out to more? After all, we’re Rochester Community Baseball. We are asking fans to share in the joy of wearing our mustaches by contributing to a cause near and dear to our hearts.”

The list of participants and their not-of-profit of choice:

<u>Participant</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Mustache Inspirations</u>	<u>Not-for-profit organization</u>
Anthony Slama	Right-handed pitcher	Collin Balester/Wyatt Earp	Wounded Warriors Project
Michael Hollimon	Infielder	Rollie Fingers/Tom Selleck	CP Rochester
Dan Mason	General Manager	Bobby Grich/Derek Smalls	Muscular Dystrophy Association
Will Rumbold	Assistant General Manager	Dan Quisenberry/Sam Elliot	Gilda’s Club of Rochester
Matt Cipro	Dir. of Marketing	Goose Gossage/Morris Day	Make-A-Wish Metro+Western NY
Bob Craig	Dir. of Promotions	John Axford/Borat	The Brain Aneurism Foundation
Rob Dermody	Dir. of Ticket Operations	Keith Hernandez/Mario and Luigi	Al Sigt Community of Agencies
Parker Allen	Dir. of Groups and Picnics	Don Mattingly/Brad Pitt	Tracy’s Hope
John Blotzer	Dir. of Game Day Production	Willie Stargel/Mario of Mario Bros	United Way of Greater Rochester
Nick Sciaratta	Dir. of Corporate Development	Stan Cliburn/John Waters	Mary Cariola Children’s Center
Mark Rogoff	Dir. of Communication	Kurt Bevacqua/Ron Burgundy	Helping Harmonies Music Therapy
Josh Britt	Picnic Sales Manager	Tom Selleck/Wilford Brimley	The Open Door Mission
Danielle Barone	Account Executive	Randy Johnson/Hulk Hogan	Wilmot Cancer Center
Eric Friedman	Account Executive	Wade Boggs/Yosemite Sam	Rochester Presbyterian Home
Derek Swanson	Account Executive	Rollie Fingers/Sam Elliot	American Cancer Society of Rochester
Spikes	Mascot	Anthony Slama/Larry Bird	Little League Challenger World Series



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Through 15 days of Baseball Month in Rochester, a total of \$5,190 has already been raised from the autographed memorabilia raffle for the 26 not-for-profit groups being hosted in a suite. Memorabilia includes items from across Major League Baseball, Minor League Baseball, the NFL, NBA, and NHL. One hundred percent of the money raised from the raffle will be divided up among the 26 not-for-profit groups that enjoy the complimentary suite. The Red Wings tonight are raffling off a Dustin Pedroia autographed baseball, Jason Kubel autographed baseball, Jason Bartlett autographed photo, Joe Benson autographed baseball, and Manny Banuelos autographed baseball.

Frontier Field in downtown Rochester is hosting games on 26 of the 31 days in May, the most of any calendar month during the baseball season. The Red Wings in 2012 are sharing Frontier Field with the Empire State Yankees while their home of PNC Field in Scranton/Wilkes-Barre undergoes a season-long renovation. A total of 110 games will be played at Frontier Field in 2012.

For more information on Baseball Month in Rochester, call (585) 454-1001 or visit RedWingsBaseball.com.

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The Rochester Red Wings are in their 10th season as the Triple-A affiliate of the Minnesota Twins. The Red Wings are operated by Rochester Community Baseball, Inc. and have been a community-owned pro baseball franchise since 1957. Rochester's pro baseball history dates to 1885. For ticket information, call the box office at (585) 423-WING (9464) or visit www.redwingsbaseball.com.

The Red Wings and Frontier Field have been selected to host the New York Yankees' Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre club for 37 games in 2012 while the Scranton ballpark undergoes major renovations. Wings fans will benefit from eight additional Red Wings vs. Yankees games at Frontier Field, plus 29 more games featuring top Yankees prospects against other International League clubs.