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# COSMOS NEWS

## Honor Roll

### A word from the Directors:

#### Kevin Botterill –Director of Coaching

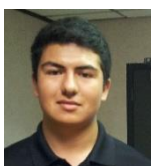
Welcome to our second monthly newsletter. I hope you have all had a restful summer and are ready for school starting up again.

We find ourselves in the middle of a time of flux right now with some significant personnel changes. As a small club any change in our staff is going to have an effect on how we run in the short term, but we hope to minimize how that affects you. As many of you are aware, Herman Sullivan is leaving us since his wife received a career opportunity that was too good to turn down. We have already advertised for his replacement but in the meantime CJ Cooper will be stepping in to help fulfill some of Assistant DOC duties at the field. You will see him overseeing and mentoring our coaches out at Buchanan.

We are also sad to say goodbye to Heather Burton, our office manager. Though she will remain very much a part of our Cosmos family, you will have to get used to hearing a different voice when you call the office. We want to thank Heather for the great job she has done as the friendly face of Cosmos.

As we have grown significantly over the last couple of years we have had to look carefully at our organization to make sure that we are running efficiently. We have already made some changes (for example, we now apply all fundraising monies towards club dues first, as this significantly cuts down on the time requirement of our staff) but there will potentially be others. We are particularly looking at how we register and how we bill. Rest assured, that any changes that we make will be in the interest of serving you better and being more efficient so that we are not wasting your money.

## Coach Spotlight



**Name:** Aaron Ordaz  
**Team:** 2003 Girls Grey  
2002 Boys Grey (Asst.)  
**From:** Fresno, CA

**Background:** Coached Fresno State Men's Club team.

**Time with Cosmos:** 3 years



- 04 Girls Grey Champions at Livermore

*Don't concede a goal the entire tournament.*



- Galactic Gunners win Shamrock Tournament

*Undefeated in group. Victorious 4-1 in final.*



- Jupiter Champions at Juventus

*Beat Atletico Santa Rosa 4-3 in OT.*



- Gravity Win at Juventus Tournament

*Beat Briceno Cosmos 2-1 in the final.*

### European leagues starting up

The biggest weakness in American soccer according most authorities is vision. This means the player's ability to see the field, read where and how all the other players are moving and make decisions based on that.

The best way to work on that is watching games. We are lucky now that there are a massive number of games broadcast on TV. You can find all the upcoming games on TV at <http://www.firsttouchonline.com/soccer-tv/>

### Upcoming Dates

**8/20** – Fall League

First date of games

**9/10** – Cosmos Day

Club Celebration

Fun and games

**10/15** – Casino Night

Texas Hold'em

\$50 buy in

\$35-50 to the player

**Nickname:** Fluffy Ibra  
(Ibrahimovic)  
**Best dance move:** The Dab  
**Super power:** SuperSpeed  
**Best feature:** Calves