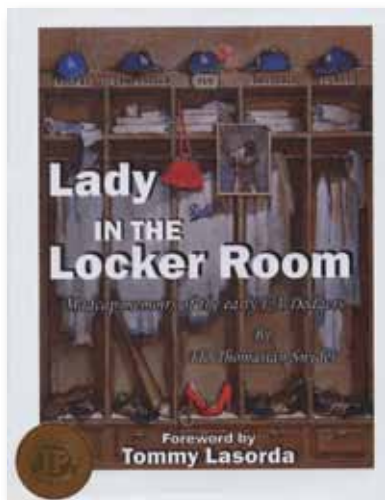


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Lady in the Locker Room Knocks it Out of the Park



No doubt about it, LA is a baseball town. The city's cross-town rivals end the exhibition season with a freeway series. The Angels host the Dodgers April 2. The Dodgers return the favor the following day. With two teams to root for, it's hard to fathom that there was once a time when going to a ball game in LA meant watching the Pacific Coast Minor League. That was more than half a century ago, before Brooklyn's beloved Dodgers abandoned Ebbett's Field in favor of palm trees and

sunshine. Their defection was big news in 1958. The story of those early days is still a good one—especially when related by Flo Thomasian Snyder, an eyewitness to history with an exceptional knack for words.

The LA Dodgers' first employee, Snyder was in her early twenties when she managed to become the only female in the organization. She recounts her 10 years as Gal Friday to the team in a hilarious memoir, *Lady in the Locker Room, Madcap Memoirs of the early LA Dodgers*. From spring training practical jokes to the thrill of World Series victories, Snyder's stories show the human side of legends such as Gil Hodges, Pee Wee Reese, Don Drysdale, and Sandy Koufax. (Tommy Lasorda penned the intro.) Every baseball fan will get a kick out of her saga. A bounty of historic photos of players and memorabilia add to the appeal.

Snyder went on to become director of the California Office of Tourism and currently resides in Carmel just a short flight away from LAX via SkyWest United Express service to Monterey. She remains a baseball fan. Her favorites, the Dodgers, launch regular-season home-play April 13. ■

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