“Mexican American Women in Softball: A League of Their Own”
October 4th – November 15th

The exhibit features the roles of Latinas in baseball—everything from brides who married their baseball-playing grooms on the baseball field, to photos of women’s baseball and softball teams. These women faced some of the same issues as Latino players. For instance, in the early 1940s Helen Parga played softball with the Santa Ana Queens. The team traveled to Phoenix, Arizona, for a tournament where Parga was denied service at a restaurant. She had to wait in the reception area while her Anglo teammates ate in the dining room.

The exhibit includes images of players from the North Hollywood Vixies, Orange Lyonettes, Santa Ana Queens, the Tomboys, La Habra Acres, San Fernando Bluejays, the Fullerton-Anaheim McMahan Girls, Colton Mercury Senioritas, La Jolla Kats, Las Gallinas, San Bernardino Raiderettes of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Tony’s Fiesta, the Questionettes, the Cherokees, Las Debs de Corona, Casa Blanca Busy Bees, East Los Angeles Columbianas, the Flirts, and Las Aztecas.

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