

MEDIA ADVISORY

April 8, 2009

**SHARON ROBINSON, DAUGHTER OF BASEBALL HALL OF FAMER JACKIE ROBINSON, TO VISIT
BREAKING BARRIERS: IN SPORTS, IN LIFE WINNER ADAM GAONA IN TEXAS**

Gaona To Be Honored During Pre-Game Ceremony At Rangers Ballpark in Arlington

WHAT: **Sharon Robinson**, Jackie Robinson's daughter, will pay a visit to *Breaking Barriers: In Sports, In Life*, winner, Adam Gaona at Peak Preparatory, and Uplift Education school. Students will have the opportunity to meet Robinson and hear her speak about her father, Jackie Robinson, as it relates to the *Breaking Barriers: In Sports, In Life* program, that she directs.

The Breaking Barriers Essay contest recognizes students for their efforts to overcome personal barriers using the values exemplified by baseball great Jackie Robinson. The contest is a major component of *Breaking Barriers: In Sports, In Life*, a multi-curricular character education program developed by Major League Baseball and Scholastic, Inc., and directed by Sharon Robinson, Jackie's daughter.

In the afternoon, the Texas Rangers will host a pre-game ceremony with Sharon Robinson and members of the Texas Rangers to honor Gaona and his father, a member of the United States Army, whose time away in Iraq was the topic of his essay. The pre-game will begin at approximately 12:45 p.m.

WHO: **Sharon Robinson**, author and daughter of Hall of Famer Jackie Robinson, who also serves as Educational Programming Consultant for Major League Baseball

Adam Gaona, 5th grade student at Peak Preparatory and 2009 *Breaking Barriers: In Sports, In Life* essay contest winner

Peak Preparatory Students

WHEN: Thursday, April 9, 2009
9:30 a.m.

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