

Meet the Quakes Rally on March 31 will kick off 10th MLS season in San Jose

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SAN JOSE (March 15, 2005) – The players and coaches of the 2005 San Jose Earthquakes will be introduced to the community at a Meet the Quakes Rally in the Plaza de Cesar Chavez at 5 p.m. Thursday, March 31. The event is jointly sponsored by the Earthquakes, Soccer Silicon Valley and the San Jose Sports Authority.

Fans will have an opportunity at the rally to meet and get autographs from this year's Quakes including old favorites Ronald Cerritos and Wade Barrett, who return to the team this season after stints elsewhere in 2004, and emerging stars Brian Ching and Brian Mullan.

Quakes play-by-play announcer John Shrader will emcee the event, which will include giveaways, the debut of the team's 2005 uniforms and a post-event party at McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurant for those attending the rally.

The rally will go off rain or shine and continue the momentum for the 10th season of Major League Soccer in San Jose. The season begins at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 2 in Spartan Stadium when the team plays the New England Revolution.

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