

South Korean Baseball Team Replaces Empty Seats With Robots



The Hanwha Eagles are a South Korean Major League baseball team. Baseball is a very popular sport in South Korea. The Eagles are a pretty popular team. But lately they have not been playing well. In the past five seasons alone, they have lost over 400 games.

Their fans do not come to their games. Many seats at the stadium are always empty. This makes the players on the team feel bad. It lowers their morale. When their morale is low, they do not play well.

The owners of the team want to raise morale. So they came up with an idea. They decided to fill the empty seats with robots. They call the robots "Fanbots."

Fans can control the robots through the Internet. Fans can upload their pictures to screens on the Fanbots' faces. Fans can also make the Fanbots cheer, chant, or start a "wave."

Fans of the other teams make fun of Eagles fans. They call Eagles fans "Buddhist Saints" and "Hanwha Chickens." This makes Eagles fans not want to attend games. But now, thanks to Fanbot, Eagles fans can feel close to the game without leaving their homes.

There is a promo video for Fanbot. The video is called "Fanbot - the world's first cheering robot."

"Fans of the Hanwha Eagles always come to the stadium to cheer for their team," the video states. "But those who cannot come to the stadium watch the game on the web or on their phones and cheer through commenting online."

There have been mixed reactions to the Fanbots. Some fans think the Fanbots are a very good idea. Other fans think the Fanbots are a gimmick. These fans think that the Fanbots are just a way to attract attention.

Even if the Fanbots are just a gimmick, they may raise the team's morale. If the Eagles continue to suffer from low morale, they may keep losing games. The Fanbots could bring more attention to the games, which would raise the team's morale.

Many Eagles fans don't come to the games because other fans call them names. Many are just too busy. But now those fans can have the next best thing: Fanbot.