

Women in Baseball Newsletter

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It's a great time of year again--spring training has begun!! I like this time of the season best because everyone can have high hopes about their favorite team until the season actually starts.

The last couple of months have been fairly busy for women in baseball and this promises to continue with the Silver Bullets and the college baseball season. Keep your eyes open for articles that may come out because March is National Women's History Month--pass on any articles you run across.

****Recent Books and Articles****

The following list has been compiled thanks to contributions from: Dick Clark, the SABR Office, Kathy Gardner, the Ohio Historical Society, Michael Hazen, Kazuo Sayama, Andy McCue, Lewis Irish, Marc Okkonen, and Lou Hunsinger. Thanks everybody for thinking of us!!!

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Research Needs

The Ohio Historical Society currently supports the Muffins, a male 19th century team and they are now forming the Diamonds, a women's team from the 1860s-70s. Dianna Frias and Pam Koons are heading up this effort and are looking for help in researching 19th century women's clubs. If you would like to help or have information that would help them in this endeavor please get in touch with me and I will pass the information on or put you in touch with Diana and Pam directly.

Kazuo Sayama has been asked to write a text on American baseball and he wants to include a section on women in baseball. If you have any information that might be helpful to Kazuo please get in touch with him: 147 Kamiyashiki Tanabe 646 Japan.

A number of our committee members are looking for statistical information on players in the AAGPBL for the years 1949-52, please contact me or send me any information you have on these years that would be of help to other researchers.

Upcoming Events, etc...

Watch the next issue of *Sports Illustrated for Children* for an article on Toni Stone.

Watch the April issue of *Senior Times* from Holland, MI for an article on the teams in Kalamazoo, Muskegon, Grand Rapids and Battle Creek during the AAGPBL.

In August the Ohio Baseball Hall of Fame in Maumee, Ohio will be hosting a day of lectures and baseball. One of the sessions will be devoted to women in baseball, particularly in the 19th century.

Interested in information related to the Wisconsin entries in the AAGPBL, contact the University of Wisconsin--Parkside and ask about their collection. (Wood Rd, Box 2000 Kenosha, WI 53141). In April watch for Susan E. Johnson's book, *When Women Played Hardball*, published by Seal Press. (\$14.95).

****Roster Updates****

Please add the following individual to our roster:

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****Final Comments****

Please send any information you would like included in the next newsletter by the end of May. There will be another issue before the SABR convention in Texas. In conjunction with the convention please let me know if you have specific topics you would like to see dealt with at our committee meeting. Last year we had a great turnout and a busy meeting. I hope to see that continue this year.

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