

# THE NEGRO LEAGUES COURIER

Newsletter of SABR's Negro League Committee

"We are the Ship; All Else Are the Sea"

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## Committee News & Research Requests

New address for Gary Maurer is 205 3rd St. NE. Milaca, Mn. 56353. New phone #320-982-1057.

## Obituaries

Ben Adams, who was born October 13, 1936, passed away Saturday, May 21. He played for the Indianapolis Clowns in 1953, Memphis Red Sox 1953-1955, Grand Rapids Black Sox 1956-1957, Kansas City Monarchs 1956-1958, Detroit Clowns 1958, Detroit Stars 1959, Kansas City Monarchs 1959-1963, Kansas City-Grand Rapids Monarchs Barnstorming Team 1964.

## Negro League Related Articles

"NLBM receives Brownfields Cleanup

Grant" \*\*1pg from INFOZONE 5/11/2005  
CHICAGO DEFENDER 5/17/2005,  
"Black Sox with Negro Little League opener"  
\*\*1pg

BALTIMORE SUN, 5/12/2005  
"Camden Station museum houses Sports  
Legends" \*\*2pp  
THE WASHINGTON TIMES  
5/12/2005, "New museum applauds Maryland  
sports history" \*\*5pp.

THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC,  
5/11/2005, "History rolls into Valley" \*\*1pg  
\*\*2pp piece from THE DAILY  
GAZETTE of Colorado Springs 4/15/2005  
"Ballplayers helped race relations"

VALLEY MORNING STAR, 4/14/05  
"Valley Negro baseball team Paved Way for  
Future Stars" \*\*3pp

THE WASHINGTON POST, 4/12/05  
"Ex-Washington Player Goes Back A few Years"  
(Ted Radcliffe) \*\*3pp

THE MORNING CALL of Allentown,  
PA, 4/16/05 "Remembering Jackie And Martin"  
\*\*1pg

BLACK SPORTS-THE MAGAZINE,  
March 2005 "A Clown And A Monarch" (Toni  
Stone) by our own Dr. Leslie Heaphy \*\*1pg

BLACK SPORTS-THE MAGAZINE,  
April 2005 "Leroy 'Satchel' Paige: the Mystery,  
The Mystique, and Milestones of the Man" by  
our Co Chairman, Larry Lester \*\* 2pp

BLACK SPORTS-THE MAGAZINE,  
March 2005 "Davey "The Wiz" Whitney" \*\*1pg  
THE GLASGOW MISSOURIAN  
5/12/2005, "Glasgow to honor native son (John  
Donaldson)" \*\*2pp.

PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER,  
4/15/2005, picture of four surviving members of  
the Philadelphia Stars \*\*1pg

SCD 5/27/2005 \*\*1pg "Lelands.com  
offers 1950-51 Josh Gibson card"

ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT-  
GAZETTE, 3/29/2005, "NEGRO LEAGUE  
PLAYER A HIT WITH KIDS (REGINALD  
HOWARD)" \*\*2PP

SEGUIN GAZETTE ENTERPRISE on

February Smokey Joe Williams Memorial Fund 2005 Scholarship Banquet. \*\*2pp and \*\*2pp insert on prior Banquet Speakers. A program from the event is also available. \*\*4pp

### **The Marketplace**

WHO'S BETTER, WHO'S BEST IN BASEBALL by Elliot Kalb and published by McGraw Hill has sections on Paige, Gibson, Charleston, Dihigo, and Leonard.

### **Upcoming Events**

The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Judy Johnson Night will be held Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> in Wilmington, Delaware. For more information contact Gregg Truitt at [gregg.truitt@astrazeneca.com](mailto:gregg.truitt@astrazeneca.com).

The Fort Lauderdale Superstars Baseball has a Turn Back the Clock Tribute game to honor the Negro Leagues scheduled for June 18<sup>th</sup>. For more information contact : Fabiana Walters, Vice President of Ft Lauderdale Superstars, POBOX 770994, Coral Springs, FL 33077

### **8th Annual Jerry Malloy Negro League Research Conference**

**Thursday June 16, 2005**

2:00 Registration/Vendors

**Friday -June 17, 2005**

7:30 Registration/Vendors

8:00 "Public Schools Teachers Round Table"

Eddie Bedford Eastern Michigan University;

Leslie Heaphy, Kent State; Larry Lester

10:00 Welcome Eddie Bedford;

10:30 "Writers/Reporters of the Negro Leagues"

Michael Marsh, Chicago IL

11:15 "Ritchey in Chicago with some others"

Amy Essington, Long Beach, CA

12:00 Lunch On Your Own 1:00 "Professional

Negro Leagues Players Association" Darryl

White President / CEO, Chicago IL

1:45 Players Panel

2:45 (University of IL) Adrian Burgos

3:30 Announcements

4:00 Depart for Chicago White Sox vs. La

Dodgers Buffet/Baseball Game

9:45 Negro League Café Tour

**Saturday-June 18, 2005 7:30**

Registration/Vendors 8:00

"Raids on the Negro Leagues and the Anti Trust Laws" Sam Abady, New York,

9:45 "Paroled to the Negro Leagues: Leavenworth Penitentiary and the Chicago American Giants" Tim Rives

10:30 7

11:45 Announcements

12:00 Lunch On Your Own

1:00 Players Panel

2:10 Trivia Contest/rules and opening round

3:00 Board bus for Burr Oak Cemetery (Light refreshments served on arrival)

3:45 Placement Ceremony Carolyn Towns, Director of Cemetery Operations; Jeremy Krock

4:40 Pictures/Interviews

5:00 Negro Leagues Players Cemetery Bus Tour/Return to the Hotel

6:30 Trivia Finals

7:15 Juneteenth Celebration

9:15 APBA Tournament Semis- and Final in the ballroom Vendors' areas open until 11:00

**Sunday June 19, 2005**

9:00 SABR Business Meeting, Hall of Fame Grant

10:00 "William White: Footnote or Pioneer?" Dave Stevens, Chicago IL

10:30 "BRUNCH" On your own 10:00- 2:00 Conference concludes with the ending of the brunch

### **The Final Pitch**

Unfortunately I will be unable to make the Malloy Conference and SABR convention this year, so I would like to wish everyone that is planning to attend to have a good time and be sure to keep Dick Clark in line for me.

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