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The Los Angeles Dodgers storm the field to celebrate the franchise's first World Series title since 1988. On October 27, 2020, the Dodgers defeated the Tampa Bay Rays, 3-1, during Game Six. (Photo: Bleacher Report)

THE 2020* SEASON - ONE FOR THE RECORD BOOKS

BY: JOE BOOK 

Baseball statistic analysts are a divergent bunch, but with each side equally idiosyncratic. Those from the "old school" still foster support for batting average and pitching wins as measures of a successful season and career. The new wave value-seekers quote manufactured metrics with formulas so complex and knotty that converting the mindset of their often obstinate forefathers is arduous at best.

This isn't the first shortened season that baseball has seen. The strike of 1994-95 left a sour taste in the mouths of casual and die-hard fans, and the playoff injustices that came from the 1981 strike will never be forgotten. Both of those stoppages were labor-related, and both seasons featured more than 100 games, so the statistical incongruities aren't as severe. Nevertheless, questions remain. Would Tony Gwynn, batting .394 when the 1994 strike began, have hit .400 in a full season? Could Tim Lincecum, who had 71 stolen bases in 88 games during the choppy 1981 season, have set an all-time record one year before Rickey Henderson rewrote history? Nobody will ever know.

How both sides will treat the 2020 season with regard to the record books remains to be seen, but the one symbol that has stood the test of time as the great unifier might find itself busy when analysts of all convictions survey the 60-game sprint. Get ready ... the asterisk is locked and loaded.

The much-maligned symbol has been abused by those looking to differentiate between multiple eras (see Maris, Roger) and yearned for by many who want championship teams chastened for the fraudulent route they took to the Commissioner's Trophy. While it has never actually appeared in the baseball record book, certain statistical anomalies this past season might be paving the way to its inclusion.

Juan Soto is a beast. The Washington left fielder burst onto the scene in 2018 as a 19-year-old phenom and has more than lived up to the hype. Soto improved upon an excellent partial debut season with a brilliant 2019 campaign, finishing ninth in the NL MVP vote. In 2020, he took it to another level.

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BY JASON A. SCHWARTZ

Four cards, one player. Can you guess who?



UNKNOWN LEGENDS

BY: JASON SCHWARTZ

This series takes a look at the legendary ballplayers that most fans forgot ever suited up with our local teams. Where possible we'll present baseball card evidence of their Second City tenure.

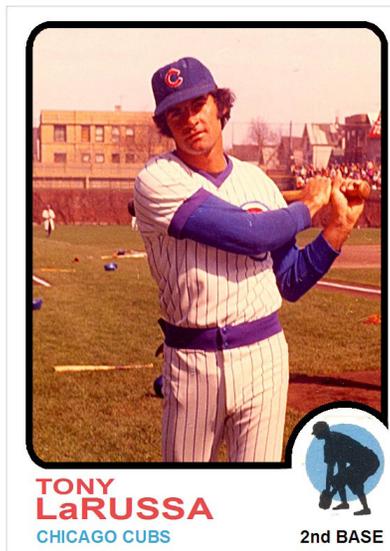
Chicago White Sox manager Tony La Russa and Baltimore Orioles manager Joe Altobelli meet prior to the start of the American League Championship Series at Baltimore's Memorial Stadium on Oct. 5, 1983. (AP Photo/John Swart)

Tony LaRussa

Who among the White Sox faithful can forget that magical 1983 season when Ron Kittle, LaMarr Hoyt, and company led the South Siders to 99 wins and an American League West title under the tutelage of fifth year manager Tony La Russa? While the Sox were stopped short by the eventual World Champion Baltimore squad, the division title served as the first of 12 (!) for La Russa, who went on to win six pennants and three World Championships with other teams and ultimately earned a plaque in Cooperstown.

While Sox fans may take pride in rooting for La Russa well before he was one of baseball's most successful managers, but North Siders up on their history can stake an even earlier claim. A full 10 years before that 1983 division title, Mr. La Russa was a Cub!

A Cub? Yes, though not for long. Following the 1972 season, La Russa was traded by the Braves to the Cubs for Tom Phoebus, and he began the 1973 season on the club's Opening Day roster, albeit not a starter. With the Cubs trailing the Expos 2-1 in their opener, La Russa entered the contest in the bottom of the ninth inning as a pinch-runner for Ron Santo. Five batters later, Rick Monday would draw a bases-loaded walk to score La Russa and win the game.



Scoring the winning run on this walk-off walk by Monday that Friday would prove to be La Russa's only appearance with the Cubs (or any MLB team!) that season and in fact La Russa's last Big League game, though La Russa put in five somewhat solid seasons in AAA before calling it quits for good as a player.

While there are no official cardboard keepsakes for Cubs fans to cherish, they can take solace in the fact that there's a custom card for everything! This 1973 Topps-style redo can be found on various websites and collector forums and may just win you a bar bet or two.

Frank Chance

Of course none of this to say the White Sox didn't have their own "cup of coffee" with a managerial legend. I'm speaking of course of South Side stalwart Frank Chance. Okay, so perhaps stalwart is too strong a term, seeing as he managed the Sox for only ... [checks notes] ... [checks notes again] ... zero games!

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CAN YOU NAME THE PLAYERS
IN THE NATIONAL BASEBALL
HALL OF FAME?

THE 2020* SEASON (CONTINUED)

With a slash line of .351/.490/.695, Soto's OPS of 1.185 led the National League, and also produced an adjusted OPS, or OPS+, of 212. Only eight players in history have had a better season by that metric, a list that includes Barry Bonds*, Jeff Bagwell*? and Mark McGwire*. It was the highest OPS+ season (other than Bonds*) since Ted Williams in 1957. One major difference? Williams had 547 plate appearances that season, while Soto had 196 this year.

So ... does it count?

Shane Bieber and Trevor Bauer might have the same dilemma. Adjusted ERA, or ERA+, has been a more commonly used metric to even the analytical playing field between pitchers of any era. These two hurlers forced us to now consider seasons of any size.

Bieber finished the season with an ERA of 1.63 and an ERA+ of 281. Bauer registered an ERA of 1.73 and an ERA+ of 276. Those two ERA+ readings rank second and third in baseball history, behind only the wizardry of Pedro Martinez in the 2000 season, when his ERA+ was 291.

However, the volume obviously falls short for this year's studs. Bieber struck out 122 batters in 77.1 innings, and Bauer punched out 100 batters (and probably a few clubhouse attendants) in 73 innings. Pedro tossed 217 innings in 2000 and sent 284 batters packing. (Fun Fact: Roger Clemens* was second in the AL in 2000 with an ERA of 3.70, nearly two runs higher than Pedro.)

There are other examples, including Max Fried becoming the first pitcher to win all of his decisions on the mound in a single season. The minimum to qualify for inclusion is one decision for the pitcher per 10 team games; Fried's 7-0 record was enough to take the crown even though he made just 11 starts for the Braves.

Gio Urshela had a near-perfect 2020 at third base for the Yankees, committing just one error and posting a .9917 fielding percentage, the best in history at the hot corner. He unseated Tony Fernandez of the 1994* Cincinnati Reds, who finished with a .9910 mark. The best fielding percentage by a third baseman in a non-shortened season belongs to Kevin Kouzmanoff. In 2009 with the Padres, Kouz fielded at a .9904 clip, and like Fernandez, did not win a Gold Glove Award.

The MLB record books will not show any kind of asterisk or any other mark to differentiate the shortened campaign, but like the true home run king debate, the Hall of Fame arguments and the designated hitter squabbles, fans will make the ultimate decision on how history will remember the 2020 season. Deliberations will go on for years, and there will never be a right answer ... nor a wrong one. That's what continues to make the game of baseball mysteriously and unequivocally beautiful.

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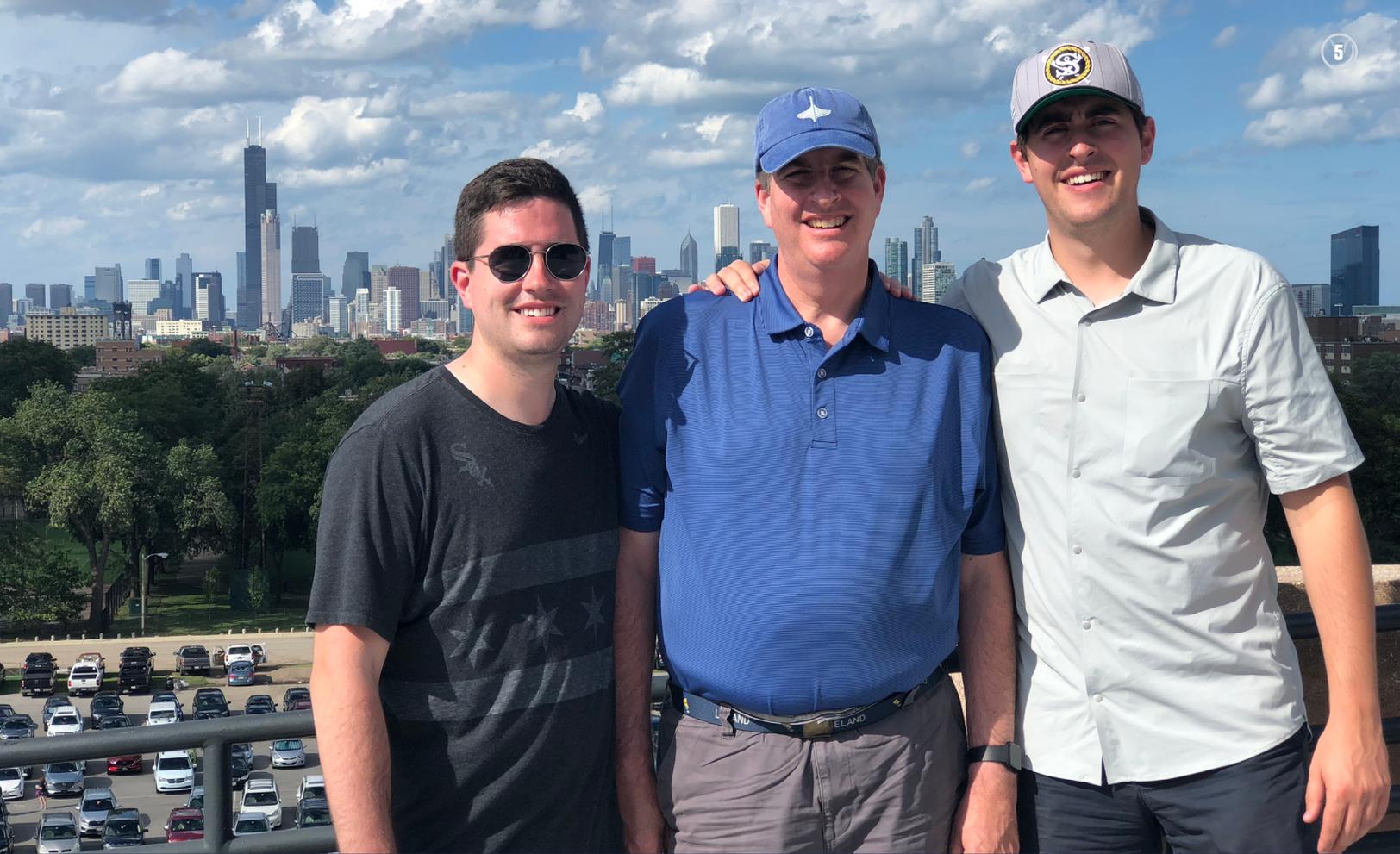
Top: Juan Soto finished the 2020 season with a slash line of .351/.490/.695 for the Washington Nationals. (Photo: Yahoo! Sports)

Middle: Cleveland Indians pitcher Shane Bieber finished 2020 with a 1.63 ERA and 281 ERA+. (Photo: The Ringer)

Bottom: New York Yankees third baseman Gio Urshela finished the 2020 season with .9917 fielding percentage. (Photo: Pinstripe Alley)

SABR MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

We all have great baseball stories to share. We like to highlight SABR Chicago Chapter members. Contact Bill Pearch, newsletter editor, via email at wpearch@comcast.net to schedule a brief interview.



SABR MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: MIKE O'REILLY

BY: BILL PEARCH

Emil Rothe Chapter member Mike O'Reilly (center) enjoys a Chicago White Sox game at Guaranteed Rate Field with his sons, Tom and Christopher. (Photo: Mike O'Reilly)

"Jimmy Qualls' pinch-hit single broke up Tom Seaver's perfect game," said Mike O'Reilly, recalling his oldest baseball game memory. "I am a White Sox fan, but we watched the game on Channel 9 as the Cubs were at Shea Stadium on July 9, 1969." The Mets beat the Cubs, 4-0. "I was 10 at the time."

As a White Sox fan, Emil Rothe Chapter member O'Reilly admits that 2005 ranks as the team's most memorable season. "Beyond the World Series title, I have fond memories of the South Side Hit Men of 1977." That team could hit homers: Richie Zisk (30), Oscar Gamble (31), Eric Soderholm (25), Chet Lemon (19), Jim Spencer (18), Ralph Garr (10), and Jorge Orta (11). "Just a fun team to watch," he said. "It was the summer after my freshman year at the University of Notre Dame, and I attended quite a few home games with high school and college buddies."

O'Reilly said his favorite player from childhood was Walt "No Neck" Williams, who spent six seasons on Chicago's South Side from 1967 through 1972. Today he admires the play of shortstop Tim Anderson. "His ongoing development as a hitter has been spectacular," he said, noting Anderson's American League-leading .335 batting average in 2019. "I did not think he would be as good as he is."

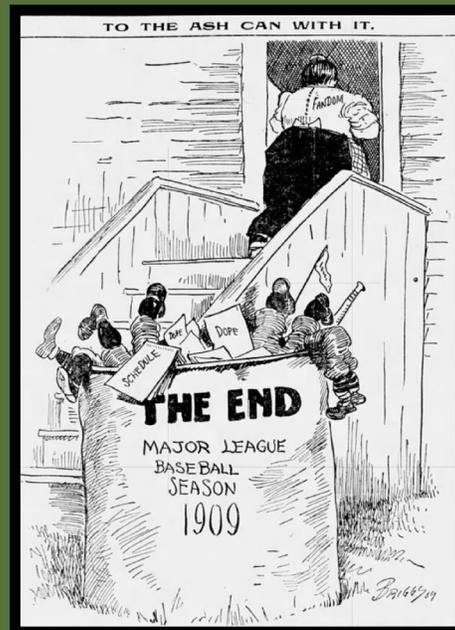
"I did not play little league," O'Reilly said. "I was a softball player. However, my youngest son was two wins away from making the Little League World Series in Williamsport back in 2007."

With a passion for vintage baseball cards and Negro Leagues history, it should not come as a surprise that O'Reilly decided to join the Society for American Baseball Research after meeting Jason Schwartz and

FROM THE ARCHIVES

Chicago baseball fans were disappointed after both the Cubs and White Sox were eliminated early during the 2020 postseason. Apparently fans had similar feelings following the 1909 season.

(Source: Chicago Tribune, October 7, 1909)



SABR UNVEILS NEW LOGO TO CELEBRATE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY IN 2021

As 2020 draws to a close, SABR is excited to look ahead and celebrate a major milestone: the organization's 50th anniversary in 2021.

SABR's 50th Anniversary logo, created by SABR member and renowned sports designer Todd Radom, proudly commemorates the organization's Golden Anniversary year.

"I'm so excited to lend a hand in helping SABR commemorate this milestone year. The logo is celebratory and rooted in baseball tradition, punctuated with a touch of bright gold—a reverent nod to SABR's golden anniversary," Radom said. "I'm proud to be a SABR member as we embark upon this landmark occasion, honoring the past and looking forward to a bright future together."

In 2021, SABR members can look forward to celebratory events and programming including:

- SABR Day and [Golden Ticket winner announcement](#) on January 30
- [SABR 50 convention](#), June 16-20 in Baltimore
- [SABR 50 at 50 Project](#), a monthly web series recognizing the sport's [most impactful players](#), [record-breaking feats](#), off-field figures, ballgames, books, films, stories, milestones, and baseball cards
- [SABR 50 at 50](#), a special anthology book from the University of Nebraska Press highlighting SABR's most essential research and historical contributions to the game
- [Oral History interviews](#) with SABR luminaries
- More to be announced soon!

In 2021, we will also continue working to fully digitize all previously published SABR research so it is searchable on SABR.org. There are additional plans to digitize the Rucker Archive and make 100,000-plus historical baseball images from that collection searchable. SABR will also begin cataloging and databasing research presentations from major conferences to make them part of the organization's powerful baseball research online search tool.

"There is so much on deck for 2021 as we celebrate the [50th anniversary of our founding](#)," SABR CEO Scott Bush said. "While commemorating the history of the game will always be at the core of SABR, we are excited to showcase how the organization will continue to help shape baseball's future."

To join SABR's Golden Lineup of donors supporting the 50th Anniversary, visit [SABR.org/donate/2020](https://www.sabr.org/donate/2020).

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Lou Brock Statue

The baseball and softball complex at Lindenwood University in St. Charles, Missouri named after Lou Brock was officially dedicated on April 13, 2006. This statue is located at the entrance to the complex. (38.787355, -90.506536)

Photo credit: John Racanelli

If you go out of your way to visit old ballparks, historical markers, statues, or gravesites we would love to hear about it! Send your experiences and photos to j.racanelli@hotmail.com!

WANTED: YOUR BASEBALL RESEARCH

Are you conducting baseball research? SABR's Emil Rothe Chicago Chapter can help. We are looking for new articles to publish in the Chapter's newsletter and our social media outlets. Submit your articles to Bill Pearch, newsletter editor, via email at wcpearch@comcast.net for inclusion in an upcoming edition.

CY YOUNG AWARD BLIND VOTE: PANDEMIC SEASON 2020

BY: RICHARD DIXIE TOURANGEAU 

Emil Rothe Chapter Members – Thanks very much for allowing an outsider to invade your fine newsletter for an additional dimension to an ongoing project of mine. I would like you to participate in a vote on a Cy Young Award that was given out “several” years ago. The sportswriters actual vote has always intrigued me and I thought it would be interesting to see how Main Street fans would vote without knowing the players or specific situation involved. I’ve tried to eliminate any bias that might pop up by not providing the “exact” numbers the pitchers finished with, but figures close enough as to not throw voters off base. Maybe some of the numbers are true, but not knowing will help prevent anyone trying to look up the real stats.

Your Vote. Everyone willing to take part in this project will get two kinds of votes. First, your one fan/one vote for a winner, either Pitcher XXX or Pitcher ZZZ. Simple. Then I am giving everyone (an additional) 10 parts to “explain” their vote so I can see how wide the margin is between the two players. Example: Let’s say three people vote and two select XXX, but the margin vote is 6-4, 6-4 for XXX and then 7-3 in favor of ZZZ. That would be a two-to-one win in favor of XXX (sportswriters get one vote), but the total margin is a 15-15 tie. So, yes, I’m trying to find out two things at once. I tried this Cy Young Blind Vote out on 15 SABR and non-SABR folks back in August and the results were very interesting on several levels. One voter gave each pitcher five votes, a tie for the Cy Young.

Your Clues.

Pitcher XXX and Pitcher ZZZ, their feats for that season.

- XXX won more than 20 games. ZZZ did not win 20.
- XXX started four more games, but both started 30-plus.
- XXX tied for the most League wins.
- XXX topped League in strikeouts, had many more than ZZZ.
- ZZZ led the League with the lowest ERA. XXX was not close.
- ZZZ tied for the League’s most shutouts.
- They both lost a few likely shutouts to home runs, some in the ninth frame.
- XXX’s team batted over .250 and was near the top in home runs.
- ZZZ’s team batted under .250, near the bottom in home runs.
- XXX’s personal Run Support was 4.50, while ZZZ’s was a tad below 4.00



The Cy Young Award, named for baseball’s winningest pitcher, is voted upon by the Baseball Writers’ Association of America prior to the beginning of the postseason. From 1956 to 1966, the award was given to one pitcher, but has been given to one pitcher per league since 1967. The vote totals are based on a weighted points system. (Photo: Over the Monster)

Both had solid Home and Away records.

- On average, XXX went seven innings each start, ZZZ managed 7 1/3.
- XXX completed three more starts than ZZZ.
- XXX’s team won the pennant, ZZZ’s team was close.
- Considering the Final Standings, XXX was 5-5 vs. the best clubs, ZZZ was 10-5.
- XXX beat the last place team five times, ZZZ beat them once.
- ZZZ beat XXX in their only matchup all season.
- Both XXX and ZZZ were relieved more than 20 times.
- ZZZ beat every team while XXX missed out on one of them.

In Complete Games

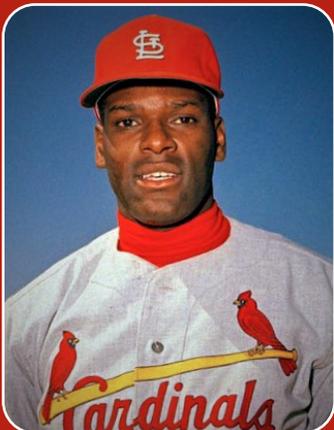
- Both were 12-2 (not exact remember, but close).
- In games they left for one reason or another:
- XXX was ahead 10 times, down 10, and tied in 2.
- ZZZ was ahead 8 times, down 8, and tied in 3.

In Relief

- ZZZ’s bullpen blew one win, lost three ties, and saved him from two losses.
- XXX’s relievers did very little to change his no-decision games.

In order to vote please email me at furballdx@gmail.com and type Rothe “Cy Young Voter” in the “subject” box so I can keep tabs on the numbers. The Emil Rothe tally and truth behind the real vote will come in the next issue. Thanks very much for your participation in this project.

Richard Dixie Tourangeau
Boston and Southern Rhode Island Chapters
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PASTIME PASSAGE...

“WHEN I KNOCKED A GUY DOWN, THERE WAS NO SECOND PART TO THE STORY.”
— BOB GIBSON

Source: Larry Stone, “Baseball brawls are all bark and little bite,” *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, May 23, 1999, 24.

Photo: AP

Do you have a favorite baseball-related quote? Send it to John Racanelli via email at j.racanelli@hotmail.com.



Visitors to O'Reilly's Twitter feed are frequently treated to witty posts such as this recent image. He described the 1975 Topps minis as "the Skittles of baseball cards."

following SABR's baseball cards group. If you read his Twitter bio, he describes himself as: Curator of vintage sports ephemera. Literate sports enthusiast. He even adds that, Beauty is in the eye of the card holder.

Speaking of vintage baseball, if O'Reilly had access to a time machine, there's no doubt where he would travel. "That's easy for me," he said. "Lou Gehrig's Commerce High School team came to Chicago and played Lane Tech at Wrigley Field on June 26, 1920. My dad who was born in 1906, was an eighth grader and attended that game." Gehrig, who was 17 years old at the time, belted a grand slam in the top of the ninth. The ball was hit completely out of the ballpark to extend a two-run lead and preserved the win. "Hopefully, I'd be sitting next to him in the bleachers that day."

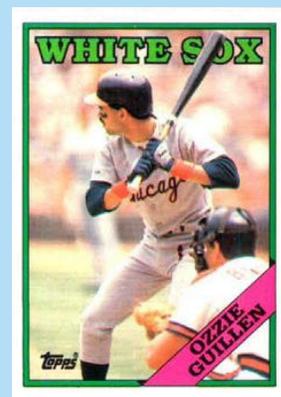
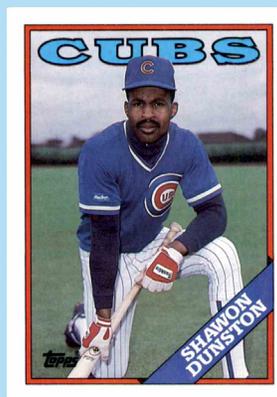
While O'Reilly is passionate about reflecting upon baseball history, he has strong opinions about today's game. "I think it's time to level the playing field relative to the designated hitter rule," he said, noting its temporary installation in the National League during the 60-game COVID-19 shortened season. "Either adopt it in the National League or dismiss it in the American League. If I were the commissioner, I would dismiss it."

During his spare time when he's not watching baseball or collecting memorabilia, you may catch him reading his favorite book, Roger Angell's *The Summer Game*. Or perhaps he'll be watching his favorite movie, *Bull Durham*.

You can find Mike online with the following handles:

- Twitter: [MOReilly_58](#)
- Instagram: [waxing_nostalgic](#)

CHICAGO RANDOM TANDEM



SHAWON DUNSTON AND OZZIE GUILLEN

In 1988, Cubs shortstop Shawon Dunston was selected for his first MLB All-Star team. Unfortunately, he did not make an appearance in the game.

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SABR BOARD DIRECTOR BILL NOWLIN DISCUSSES THE LATEST SABR BOOK WITH CHICAGO'S EMIL ROTHE CHAPTER

SCOREBOARD PUZZLER



For this issue, we are back in our hometown ballparks. From the clues provided in the two photos shown above, can you identify the exact dates of the two games? Good luck.

Congratulations to the two winners from the September-October 2020 issue. Both members correctly guessed the dates: July 21, 2019 (Yankee Stadium) and July 22, 2017 (Citi Field).

- Ed Hartig
- Richard Smiley

Do you have a scoreboard photo that will have your fellow chapter members scratching their heads? Send it to Bill Pearch at wpearch@comcast.net. Note that photos are not limited to Chicago ballparks.

ZEMAN'S ZINGERS

BY: DAVE ZEMAN

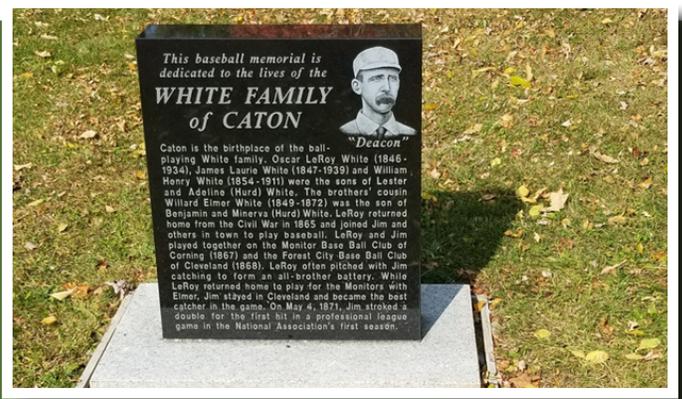


Can you believe that the 60-game 2020 season has come and gone already? Don't worry, here's another installment of trivia questions to get you to the New Year. Fans of *Jeopardy!* (a moment of silence for Alex Trebek) will be familiar with before and after categories. For these questions, two answers are combined to make one correct response. These questions are part baseball, part general history. Ready? Play ball!

1. Played 2,000+ games for the Washington Senators / "Close-talker" on *Seinfeld*
2. Dodger who won a Gold Glove in his final major-league season / Frequent mockumentary actress
3. Birth name of music's Rocketman / Runner-up for 1989 National League Rookie of the Year
4. Southpaw who won 15 games in 1942, his last big-league campaign / *3rd Rock from the Sun* star
5. TV character who often emphasized the word "be" when speaking / Hit walk-off double to win the 1929 World Series

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2020: HOW DID YOU DO?

1. Owner of Legends / Surrendered Babe Ruth's last two home runs. **Buddy Guy Bush.**
2. Early advocate for women's suffrage / First Washington National with a 10-RBI game. **Susan B. Anthony Rendon.**
3. Author of *Silent Spring* / Pirate with 200-hit seasons in 1921 and 1922. **Rachel Carson Bigbee.**
4. Fanned 15 in his major league debut / Portrayed Daffy Dean in *The Pride of St. Louis*. **J.R. Richard Crenna.**
5. Tossed no-hitter for 1948 Brooklyn Dodgers / Early 20th-century auto racing icon. **Rex Barney Oldfield.**



A monument honoring the ballplaying White family was dedicated on Saturday, October 10, 2020 at the Margaret E. Smyers Memorial Park in Caton, NY. The monument honors Caton native James "Deacon" White, who was inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 2013, and his brothers LeRoy White and Will White, and their cousin Elmer White. Deacon White was the catcher on the 1876 Chicago White Stockings who captured the pennant in the National League's first year of existence. (Photo: Richard Smiley)

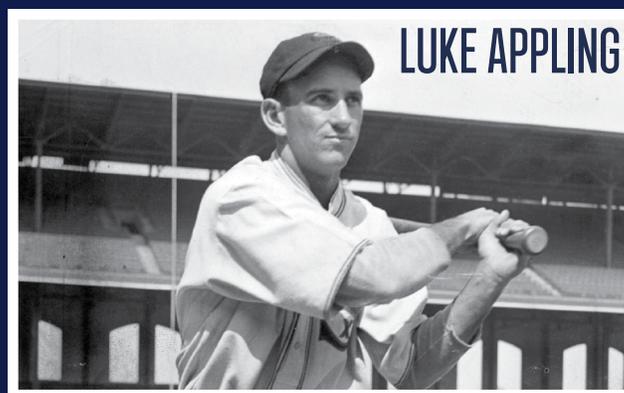
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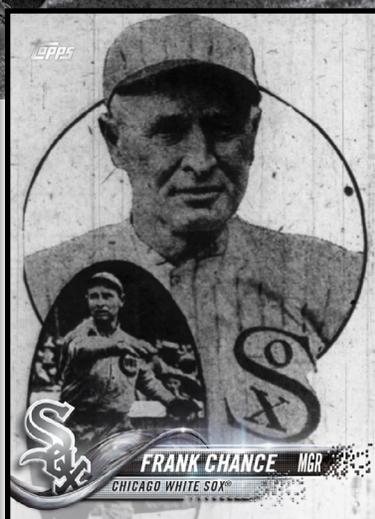
UNKNOWN LEGENDS (CONTINUED)



MARK GRACE



LUKE APPLING



After piloting the Red Sox to a last-place finish in 1923 the Peerless Leader was hired by the second-to-last place White Sox to replace Kid Gleason. Due to poor health, Chance never did assume the reigns, the Sox instead putting Johnny Evers, Ed Walsh, and Eddie Collins at the helm at various points in the season. (Trivia: Has any other team ever had three Hall of Fame managers in a single season?)

Sadly, no cards from the era commemorate Chance's exceedingly brief tenure with the White Sox, but this image of Chance clad in the South Sider garb ran in many papers in November 1923. And yes, Virginia, there really is a custom card for everything!

Thinking of an "unknown legend" that you would like to nominate? Send Jason an email at jason.1969@yahoo.com.

TOP TEN – MOST DOUBLES IN SEASON BY CHICAGO PLAYER (AGE 35 OR OLDER)

RANK	PLAYER	2B	YEAR	AGE	TEAM
1	MARK GRACE	44	1999	35	CUBS
2	KIKI CUYLER	42	1934	35	CUBS
3	MARK GRACE	41	2000	36	CUBS
4	JOE KUHEL	39	1941	35	WHITE SOX
5	ROGERS HORNSBY	37	1931	35	CUBS
6	MOISES ALOU	36	2004	37	CUBS
7	MOISES ALOU	35	2003	36	CUBS
8	FRANK THOMAS	35	2003	35	WHITE SOX
9	ALFONSO SORIANO	33	2012	36	CUBS
10	LUKE APPLING	33	1943	36	WHITE SOX

HAVE YOU COMPILED A TOP TEN LIST THAT THE CHAPTER WOULD FAWN OVER? SEND IT TO JOHN RACANELLI VIA EMAIL AT J.RACANELLI@HOTMAIL.COM.

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Topics: SABR Day Recap, MLB Opening Day, Spring Training Recap, Chapter News/Events

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2021

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Content Deadline: August 1
Topics: Postseason Preview/Predictions, Chapter News/Events

MAY-JUNE 2021

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Topics: Minor League Baseball, Independent Leagues, Chapter News/Events

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2021

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Topics: World Series Recap, Chapter News/Events

