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AN ANNOUNCEMENT FROM CHAPTER PRESIDENT BARRY M. BLOOM

In a meeting last month with chapter Vice President Tony DeMarco, we have decided to delay the announced election to replace the retiring Bill Suphan as treasurer.

There are several reasons. We want to evaluate the chapter bylaws and may seek a more expansive election for all officers.

I am sorry to announce the resignation for personal reasons of long-time member Chuck Johnson as secretary. Bill and Chuck, along with now President Emeritus Rodney Johnson, were founding members of this chapter and we owe them all a real debt of gratitude for the decades of great work getting us to where we are today.

Chuck and his wife, Migdalla, will continue their fine work on our web site. And Chuck will remain involved in our national bio project. If you haven't read his bio of our own chapter's Fastball John D'Acquisto, it is worth the time and effort.

Thus, we will have an election for at least a new secretary and treasurer. And Tony and I should be formally approved in our positions, opening up the process to any challenges. We'll evaluate the possibilities. For treasurer, we need somebody with a solid accounting background as we move in a serious fundraising mode next year.

JANUARY 2, 2017



The bylaws and election will be topics of discussion at our annual SABR Day meeting on Saturday, Jan. 27 at the usual spot, the press box at Tempe Diablo Stadium. It is scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 12:20 p.m.

We have a great program that's detailed on the next page.

ENTER THE SABR DAY RAFFLE!

Win a piece of history, and support your Chapter!

Enter the SABR Day raffle for a chance to win a one-of-a-kind autographed plaque featuring Roland Hemond, taken during his 2011 induction into the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

Roland was honored with the Buck O'Neil Lifetime Achievement Award, and the photo was taken during his acceptance speech.

The 24" x 24" mounted plaque NOW AUTOGRAPHED BY ROLAND was presented to him by the SABR AZ chapter and also commemorates some of his most notable achievements.

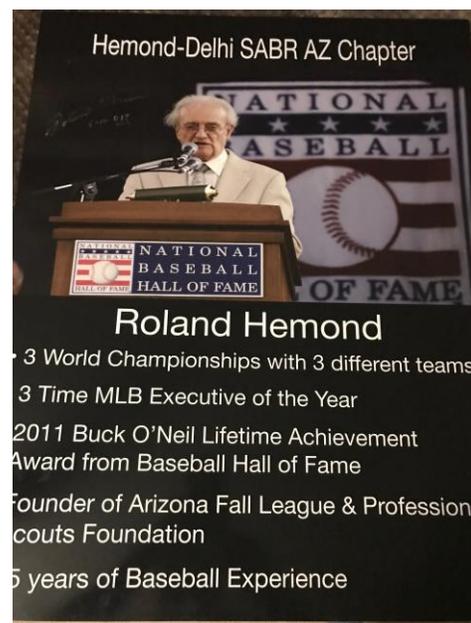
This priceless memorabilia has been donated by Chapter President Barry Bloom to help raise funds for future SABR AZ events and activities.

Tickets will be sold on site during SABR day, in the following increments:

- 5 tickets for \$10
- 10 tickets for \$15
- 15 tickets for \$20

Sales will be cash only, and you must be present to win.

This raffle is conducted according to the rules of the state of Arizona in accordance with A.R.S. 13-3302 (D).



DETAILS FROM BLOOM
REGARDING OUR ANNUAL
SABR DAY MEETING:

Ned Colletti, the former general manager of the Dodgers, has agreed to be on hand to talk about his new book, the Big Chair. I have read it and it's entertaining and excellent.

With the annual announcement of the BBWAA Hall of Fame vote on Jan. 24, we'll again have our popular panel analyzing the results. Tony DeMarco, John D'Acquisto and KNBR Giants analyst Mart Lurie will join me on the panel. We are all local chapter members.

There may be more panels to announce before the big day.

We have a slot or two open for member presentations. They will be 15 minute slots. Please let me know well in advance if you have anything you'd like to offer. My personal email is boomskie@aol.com.

I'd like to hear from you about what we have done well and what you'd like to see improved nearly a full year since Tony and I took office. We can discuss it all at the meeting.

NATIONAL NOTES

THE SABR ANALYTICS CONFERENCE IS FAST APPROACHING!

The 2018 SABR Analytics Conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency Phoenix in Phoenix, Arizona from March 9-11.

Guests include Diamondbacks radio broadcaster Mike Ferrin, SABR President Vince Gennaro, MLB Network host and author of *Ahead of the Curve: Inside the Baseball Revolution* Eduardo Perez, ESPN analyst and former MLB player Eno Sarris as well as ESPN broadcaster Jon "Boog" Sciambi.

Further details regarding hotels and other events at the conference can be found at [this link](#).



**Eduardo
Perez**



**Brian
Kenny**



**Jon
Sciambi**



**Mike
Ferrin**



**Vince
Gennaro**



**Eno
Sarris**

DOROTHY SEYMOUR MILLS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINEES ANNOUNCED

SABR's Women in Baseball Committee established this award, nicknamed "The Dorothy," this year to honor Mills and the contributions she made to baseball over the course of her life.

Here are the nominees for the award:

- Perry Barber
- Ila Borders
- Barbara Gregorich
- Rachele "Rocky" Henley
- Edith Houghton
- Effa Manley
- Penny Marshall
- Margaret Nabel
- David Nemec
- Alex Sickinger Oglesby
- Susan Perabo
- Justine Siegal
- Janet Marie Smith
- Ashley Stephenson
- Ina Eloise Young

Information on the award can be found [here](#).

The winner will be announced at SABR 48 in Pittsburgh this summer.

Hope to see you then!

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