

## Attend SABR 33 This July 10-13 in Denver

### Highlights and Presentations

Goose Gossage, Rockies General Manager Dan O'Dowd, former National Labor Relations Board chair **William Gould**, renowned baseball writer **Leonard Koppett** and author **Bill James** are among the guests in SABR 33's feature panel discussions that include:

Ⓞ **Relief Pitching and the Hall of Fame** Featuring Gossage, baseball writer & HOF voter **Tracy Ringolsby** and others.

Ⓞ **Baseball at Altitude** Featuring O'Dowd, author/physics professor **Dr. Robert Adair**, *Baseball Prospectus* writer Rany Jayazerli and others.

Ⓞ **Baseball 2020: the Future of Baseball** Featuring Gould, Koppett, authors Gary Gillette and Andrew Zimbalist, and others.

Ⓞ **Baseball Simulation Games:** Featuring James, STATS, Inc. founder John Dewan and **Tom Tippett**, creator of the Diamond Mind computer baseball game. The Colorado Rockies play every day during the convention. They end a series with Barry Bonds' Giants on Thursday, then host the Dodgers for three games before the All-Star break.

The Colorado Springs Sky Sox, the Rockies' AAA team, also are at home during SABR33. There will be a sign up for a bus ride to a game.

Other highlights include a special session at which James and **Rob Neyer** will present the findings of a decade-long research project.

Ⓞ Other original research presentations, the awards banquet with a special keynote speaker to-be-named-later, an exhibition of Town Ball (for early arrivals on Wednesday), a silent auction of baseball memorabilia and all the other attractions that SABR conventions have become popular for.

Ⓞ Adding a changeup to this repertoire, SABR33 also offers various non-baseball outings, including one to scenic Estes Park and Rocky Mountain National Park.



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### Where Do I Stay?

SABR members will have the unusual opportunity to enjoy daily major league and minor league baseball, a strong lineup of panelists and presenters, and the beauty of a Colorado vacation when SABR33 convenes in downtown Denver July 10-13.

It all comes together at the Marriott City Center located within walking distance of Coors Field and the dynamic nightlife of Denver's LoDo District. It is also within sight (and a reasonable drive) of the Rocky Mountains. The Marriott is only a block from the free shuttle that traverses the 16<sup>th</sup> Street Mall's shopping, dining and theater district.

### Make Reservations by June 17

Hotel reservations can be made by calling 1-800-228-9290 or 303-297-1300. Mention that you are attending the Society for American Baseball Research 2003 Convention. All reservations must be accompanied by a first night room deposit, or guaranteed with a major credit card. **Reservations must be received on or before Tuesday, June 17, 2003.** SABR has negotiated a room rate of \$105 a night plus state and local taxes (currently 13.45%) for a single, double, triple or quad.

You can also make your hotel reservations online by visiting: <http://www.stayatmarriott.com/sabr/>. The group code is already in place, just enter your check-in and check-out dates and click on "Check Rates and Availability."

Hotel and Convention updates may be found on the SABR web site <[www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org)> (Click on Convention in the green menu box on the left).

### How Do I Get There?

#### BYAIR

United Airlines, which has 63 percent of the traffic at Denver International Airport, is the official convention airline, offering these discounts to conventioners:

- 5 percent discount for travel booked less than 30 days before the flight commences.
- 10 percent discount for travel booked at least 30 days before the flight commences.

To qualify for the discounts, you should call the United Airline Meeting Desk (1-800-521-4041) and provide the **Meeting ID Code: 51RTS**.

Only round-trip tickets exclusively on United or United Express, with travel (and at least one-night's stay) during the period July 5-18 are eligible for discounts.

#### AIRPORT SHUTTLES / BUSES

Both Super Shuttle and Wolf Shuttle are offering conventioners a one-way rate of \$15 and a roundtrip rate of \$27 between the hotel and the airport.

Budget-conscious travelers can come within a block of the hotel for \$6 one-way and \$10 round-trip via the Regional Transportation District (RTD) bus. Board the bus at the airport and then:

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- When you reach Market Street Station go up the stairs to street level at 16<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Proceed to the free 16th Street Mall Shuttle. Ride it east to California Street. You are one block from the Marriott entrance between at California and 17<sup>th</sup> Street.

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| Title   | Author                                    | Publisher            | ISBN          | Retail Price     | Disc |
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| Memoirs of Twenty Years in Baseball                         | Ty Cobb, edited by William R. Cobb, Ph.D. | Self-Published       | N/A           | \$12.95, softcvr |      |
| Baseball: The Writer's Guide                                | Mike Shannon                              | Brassey's            | 1-57488-421-2 | \$19.95, softcvr |      |
| A Summer Up North   | Jerry Poling                              | Univ. of Wisconsin   | 0-299-18184-7 | \$19.95, softcvr |      |
| Minor League Baseball                                       | Rebecca S. Kraus, Ph.D.                   | Haworth Press        | 0-7890-1756-3 | \$19.95, softcvr |      |
| Bricks and Bats   | Chaz Scoggins                             | Lowell Hist. Society | 0-9631604-2-7 | \$14.95, softcvr |      |
| Beyond the Shadow of the Senators                           | Brad Snyder                               | McGraw-Hill          | 0-07-140820-7 | \$24.95, hrdcvr  |      |
| The Men in the Mustard Hats                                 | Gregory Spalding                          | Word Association     | 1-932205-08-X | \$15.95, softcvr |      |
| 2002 Baseball Review  | Edited by John Montague                   | Baseball Bluebook    | 1-884481-36-1 | \$14.95, softcvr | Y    |
| Full Count: Inside Cuban Baseball                           | Milton H. Jamail                          | Southern Illinois    | 0-8093-2472-5 | \$19.95, softcvr |      |
| The Pastime in the Seventies                                | Bill Balew                                | McFarland            | 0-7864-1347-6 | \$28.50, softcvr |      |
| The Mexican League  | Pedro Treto Cisneros                      | McFarland            | 0-7864-1378-6 | \$49.95, hrdcvr  |      |
| The Integration of Baseball in Philadelphia                 | Christopher Threston                      | McFarland            | 0-7864-1423-5 | \$24.95, softcvr |      |
| A Biographical Dictionary of Major League Baseball Managers | John S. Skipper                           | McFarland            | 0-7864-1021-3 | \$45.00, hardcvr |      |
| Big and Little Poison                                       | Clifton Blue Parker                       | McFarland            | 0-7864-1400-6 | \$29.95, softcvr |      |
| The Business of Baseball                                    | Albert Theodore Powers                    | McFarland            | 0-7864-1426-X | \$29.95, softcvr |      |
| The Single-Season Home Run Kings                            | William F. McNeil                         | McFarland            | 0-7864-1441-3 | \$24.95, softcvr |      |
| The Negro Leagues: 1869-1960                                | Leslie A. Heaphy                          | McFarland            | 0-7864-1380-8 | \$45.00, hrdcvr  |      |
| The Most Valuable Players in Baseball                       | Timm Boyle                                | McFarland            | 0-7864-1029-9 | \$45.00, hrdcvr  |      |
| Grandstand Baseball Annual 2002                             | Joseph Wayman                             | Self-Published       | N/A           | \$10.95, softcvr |      |
| <b>Journal</b>  |   |                      |               |                  |      |
| Elysian Fields Quarterly                                    | Tom Goldstein                             |                      |               |                  |      |
| The American Association Almanac                            | Edited by Rex Hamman                      | Self-Published       |               |                  |      |
| <b>CD</b>   |   |                      |               |                  |      |
| Remembering the Reds  | Leo Bradley                               | Fraternity Records   |               | \$14.95          |      |

Dr. Ron Cobb has recently published *Memoirs of Twenty Years in Baseball* by Ty Cobb. Cobb wrote these memoirs in 1925 after completing his 20th year with the Detroit Tigers.

In this book, Ty details the experiences of his first 20 years in baseball. Unlike his 1914 book *Busting 'Em*, and his 1961 autobiography, *My Life in Baseball*, both of which were ghostwritten, this writing is Ty Cobb's very own.

All profits from this book are being donated to the Ty Cobb Museum in Royston, Georgia. For more information, log on to <[www.hometown.aol.com/rcobb2535/](http://www.hometown.aol.com/rcobb2535/)> or call 706-245-1825.



**Baseball: The Writer's Guide.** Mike Shannon interviews some of the most popular writers in baseball. Originally published in 1992, it was called the best book of its genre by *Baseball Weekly*. Now Brassey's is reintroducing an all new, updated and revised edition.

This new edition can be purchased in major bookstores. For more information, visit <[www.brasseysinc.com](http://www.brasseysinc.com)>.



**A Summer Up North** by Jerry Poling

recounts Henry Aaron's jump from the Negro Leagues to the minor leagues and his contributions to the baseball history of Eau Claire, a small town town in northern Wisconsin. Included is a foreword by Allan H. (Bud) Selig.

Poling is a news-wire editor and a columnist for the *Eau Claire Leader Telegram*.

For purchase information, contact the University of Wisconsin Press by calling 773-568-1550 or visiting their website at <[www.wisc.edu/wisconsinpress/](http://www.wisc.edu/wisconsinpress/)>.



**Minor League Baseball: Community Building Through Hometown Sports** by Rebecca S. Kraus, Ph.D., examines the impact minor league baseball has on hundreds of cities and towns across the United States. The book examines why minor league teams are so popular and form relationships with their home city that are equal parts social, cultural, and economic. Included is an in-depth look at the Bowie Baysox and the Hagerstown Suns.

Krause is a policy analyst for the U.S. Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Washington, DC.

To purchase this book, contact Haworth

Press by phone at 1-800-429-6784 or by website at <[www.haworthpress.com](http://www.haworthpress.com)>.



**Bricks and Bats** by Chaz Scoggins is a book about professional baseball in the historic mill city of Lowell, Massachusetts. The story is told in chapters highlighting key players on a variety of teams from 1887-1934.

Scoggins is a prize-winning newspaper sports columnist, former national president of the Baseball Writers Association of America, and the current chief official scorer for the Boston Red Sox.

For purchase information, contact the Lowell Historical Society at 978-970-5100 or visit their website at <[www.uml.edu](http://www.uml.edu)>.



**Beyond the Shadow of the Senators** by Brad Snyder draws on extensive interviews with key players, long-lost archives, and dozens of historical photos in order to chronicle the history behind the Homestead Grays.

Snyder, a graduate of Yale Law School, is a lawyer and freelance writer. He lives in Washington DC.

For purchase information, contact

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# THE PRES BOX

CLAUDIA PERRY, PRESIDENT

Your president has been pretty busy lately, but can happily report that *Best of "By the Numbers"* was mailed approximately the same time as this *Bulletin* and *Baseball Research Journal* should be coming in the next 5-7 weeks. We have some exciting things on tap in that area for this year, but more on that as it's firmed up.

The board met in January near San Francisco to talk about plans for SABR's future. The discussion was very productive and we came to some basic conclusions that should bring the best SABR to the membership that's possible given our mission and resources.

If you check out the web site <www.sabr.org> in the coming months, we should be posting some of our thoughts there. They will also be published in the printed *Bulletin*.

If you're reading this in the printed *Bulletin*, more details about the convention and the election should be in hand. I offer my heartfelt thanks to the Constitution and Bylaws committee for their work, which you will see and have a chance to vote on soon. I also want

to thank **Marge Daniels**, a long-time SABR member whose health has prevented her from attending recent national conventions. Marge did a lot of the groundwork that became the basis of the committee's recent work. She is one of SABR's heroes.

I have chosen not to run for re-election as family matters and other volunteer work have reduced my availability for SABR business. I think it would be unfair to the organization to give it anything less than my full attention. So it's someone else's turn to be in charge.

On a happier note, what's occupying my time now is a trip through Australia and New Zealand. Baseball isn't much of a pastime at all in the land of the Kiwi, but Oz is another story entirely. Once I find out more, I'll be posting on the Web about it.

Keep the faith. Spring training will be here soon enough.

Claudia

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McGraw-Hill by phone at 1-800-262-4729 or visit <www.books.mcgraw-hill.com>



*The Men in the Mustard Hats* by Greg Spalding completes his trilogy about the Pirates of the early '70s. This work, Spalding's sixth, covers the special period in Pirate baseball when the Pirates won five division championships in six seasons.

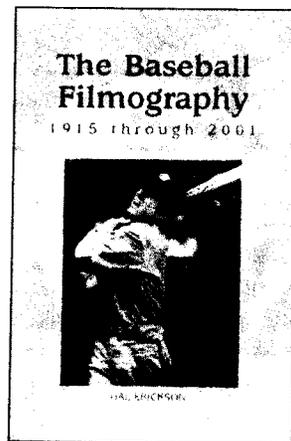
Spalding has also written *Sailing the Three Rivers to the Title*, about the '71 Pirates, *Shine! All-Stars, Shine!* a pictorial essay about the '94 MLB All-Star Game, and served as the editor-publisher for *Baseball's Best Kept Secret*, the autobiography of Al Oliver.

For purchase information, contact Word Association Publishers by phone at 1-800-827-7903 or visit their website at <www.wordassociation.com>.



*2002 Baseball Review and Total Player Register* edited by John Montague contains 2002 stats for every pro player in the majors, minors & independents.

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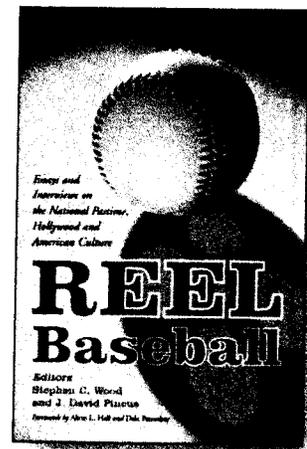
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# RESEARCH COMMITTEES

## BASEBALL RECORDS

The December 2002 issue of the newsletter includes a four-page unofficial list of records set or tied in 2002.

The February 2003 issue of the committee newsletter includes research done by **Zita Carno**, **Steve Gietschier** and **Pete Palmer** regarding Eddie Lopat's domination of the Cleveland Indians; he was 40-13 lifetime against the Tribe (not 40-12 as cited in many places). **Jim Charlton** believes that Doc White (Philadelphia NL) may have been the first pitcher to record 4 strikeouts in one inning at the modern pitching distance when he did so in 1902, according to the Brooklyn Eagle. **Tom Ruane** discovered that Luis Aparicio played 156 games at shortstop in 1968, two more than he had been previously credited with. This raises the career games played at shortstop record to 2,583. Ten teams had five or more players with 100 or more runs scored in a season, including the 1953 Brooklyn Dodgers (the only NL team to do so). The complete list is included in the newsletter.

**Wayne McElreavey** contributes a list of four pitchers who had more shut-outs than wins in a season. Grover Lowdermilk of the 1911 Cardinals was 0-1, but was credited with a shutout in a 0-0 game against Boston on September 17. Herb Bradley of the 1928 Boston Red Sox was 0-3, but was credited with a shutout in a 0-0 game against Washington on April 14. Ray Moss of the 1928 Brooklyn Dodgers was 0-3, but was credited with a shutout in a 0-0 game against Cincinnati on July 12. Rip Coleman of the 1957 Kansas City A's was 0-7, but was credited with a shutout in a 0-0 game against Baltimore on May 19.

**Bill Deane** reports that Ichiro tied for fifth place in the number of hits in the first 1,000 at-bats in the majors with 352 (tying Lefty O'Doul). First is Joe Jackson with 387, second is Benny Kauff with 361; third and fourth are Chuck Klein (360) and Paul Waner (358).

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

The October 2002 newsletter includes reviews of *The End of Baseball as We Knew It: The Players Union, 1960-81* by Charles Korr; *The New Bill James Historical Baseball Abstract* by Bill James; Seymour Medal winner *Early Baseball and the Rise of the National League* by Tom Melville; *Hal Chase: The Defiant Life and Turbulent Times of*

## SABR ADDS TWO NEW RESEARCH COMMITTEES

SABR is pleased to announce the formation of the Asian Baseball Research Committee and the Research Committee on Science and and Baseball.

### ASIAN BASEBALL RESEARCH COMMITTEE

The primary goal of the Asian Baseball Committee is to introduce Asian baseball to the North American public. The Asian Baseball Committee hopes to increase awareness of Asian baseball by producing and distributing committee newsletters; creating a website; encouraging serious studies of Asian baseball by helping researchers network; encouraging members to publish their studies in the SABR journals, and eventually holding symposium at the annual SABR conventions. For more information contact committee chair **Robert K. Fitts**, 200 East End Ave #2M, New York NY 10128, or by email <rob@robsjapanesecards.com> or by phone at (212) 828-6678.

### RESEARCH COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND BASEBALL

The mission of the Science Committee is to explore, disseminate, and foster research in the science of baseball, broadly construed to include behavioral, physical, and natural sciences. The Committee will provide a forum for all members with an interest in scientific matters, regardless of background or training. For more information contact committee chair **Kenneth Heard**, 40 Bartlett Avenue, Providence RI 02905, or by email <khea3028@postoffice.uri.edu> or by phone at (401-941-5436).

*Baseball's Biggest Crook* by **Martin Kohout**; and *A Prince at First: The Fictional Autobiography of Baseball's Hal Chase* by Ed Dinger.

The January 2003 newsletter updates the progress of The Baseball Index, and makes a call for members to come up with suggestions for a new SABR Research Guide. **Joe Murphy** has indexed 1,800 articles from *Baseball Magazine* and *Baseball Digest*. **Terry Sloop** has finished indexing the 1951 issues of *Sport*.

Books reviewed include *Extra Innings: Writing on Baseball* edited by **Richard Peterson** and *Minor League Baseball: Community Building Through Hometown Sports* by **Rebecca S. Kraus**.

The December 16, 2002 issue of *Sports Illustrated* included their list of the "Top 100 Sports Books of All-Time." Twenty-nine baseball books were listed, with *The Boys of Summer* the top baseball book (#2 overall). Congratulations to members **Bill James**, **Jules Tygiel**, **Lawrence Ritter**, **John Thorn**, and **Robert Peterson** for having books in the top 100.

## BIOGRAPHICAL RESEARCH

The Sept/Oct issue of the committee newsletter includes the 2002 Rookie Re-

port. There were 204 rookies, including 2 non-playing managers, Grady Little and Carlos Tosca. Chin Feng-Chen became the first major leaguer born in Taiwan. The youngest rookie was Francisco Rodriguez, 20, who was the only major leaguer born in 1982. The oldest rookie was Satoru Komiyama, 36. Miguel Asencio walked the first 4 batters he faced on only 16 pitches. Ron Wright had 3 at-bats and accounted for 6 outs. He hit into a triple play, a double play and struck out.

The November/December committee newsletter recounts **Rick Benner's** discovery of a new ballplayer who made his debut in 1936. Eugene Ford had been listed as pitching in two games for the Boston Braves in 1936; one was in June and one was in September. Gene Ford made the start in June, then was optioned to the minors where he hurt his arm and was out for the season. On September 27, the Braves played a doubleheader and started a pitcher named Ford. Ford didn't retire a batter and was replaced by Guy Bush. The Boston papers clearly state that this was Bill Ford and he attended Penn State. Rick contacted Penn State and obtained biographical information on him. He was Billy Southworth Jr.'s college roommate.

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# SABR REGIONALS

## Upcoming

**Notice:** Due to scheduling conflicts there will be no Baltimore Baseball Weekend this year.

### MARCH 15

#### PHOENIX, ARIZONA

The 11th Annual Spring Training Weekend is slated for March 15 and 16. On Saturday there will be a tailgate party at the southwest corner of the parking lot at Phoenix Municipal Stadium followed by the Seattle vs. Oakland game. The meeting begins at 10:30 a.m. for the tailgate with the game starting at 1:05 p.m. Cost is \$18 including meal and game ticket.

On Sunday, March 16th there will be a breakfast meeting with guest speakers. This is being arranged and further info will follow. Members usually get together to attend games around the Valley after the meeting.

For more information about the upcoming Phoenix SABR events mentioned here, contact **Andrew Zinner** (602-506-5083); email: azinner@cox.net.

### MARCH 29

#### ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

The Southern portion of the Rocky Mountain Chapter will hold a meeting of its own on March 29, 2003 in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Plans are still being firmed up, but a 9:30 am is expected either at the new stadium or perhaps on UNM campus. Among the possible agenda items are a panel of Lou Pierotti's Los Alamos Clowns, the upcoming SABR National in Denver, meeting with Isotope representatives, and a discussion of baseball in New Mexico.

For more information, contact **Ron Toya**; email: <extrabases@comcast.net>.

#### SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

The Ted Williams Chapter has scheduled their regional SABR meeting to be held at the San Diego Hall of Champions in Balboa Park on Saturday, March 29th. Doors will open at 9:00 a.m. and the program will begin at 9:30 a.m. It will go through to mid-afternoon with a break for lunch. It will be free for SABR and Hall of Champions members, and a standard admission fee of \$6.00 for others.

The venue will be in the new theater/auditorium with comfortable seating ca-

capacity for 150. The program is titled: "The Kid' from San Diego: A Celebration of Ted Williams" and will have presentations/papers/panels spanning his early years in San Diego, through high school, the three minor league years, and the majors as a player and manager. The chapter is also including a presentation about his baseball camp for youngsters. In addition, there may be a panel or presentation on his military career. Researchers who are lined up include **Bill Nowlin, Jay Walker, Frank Myers** and others. Several former ballplayers and friends have indicated their intention to appear. In addition, they will have special exhibits.

For more information, contact **Tom Larwin**, 619-287-6474 (home) or by email: lar.H@cox.net.

### MARCH 30

#### SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

On Sunday, March 30, the Ted Williams Chapter will be an unveiling of the Lane Field Historical Plaque at the site of where Lane field was located. The tentative time is 12 noon. Coincidentally, almost on the same date 37 years before, March 31, 1936, the first game was played in Lane Field by the PCL Padres.

For more information, contact **Tom Larwin** (see March 29).

### APRIL 12

#### PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

The Forbes Field Chapter will meet beginning at 9:30am at the Clark Bar. For more information, contact **Denis Repp**, 724-733-4002.

### APRIL 26

#### DAVENPORT, IOWA

The Field of Dreams chapter will meet on Saturday, April 26th at Davenport, Iowa. The Quad Cities River Bandits play that day against Dayton. Meeting details to be determined. As details become available, they will be posted on their website.

For more information, contact **R. J. Lesch**, phone: 515-991-4858; email: <rjlesch\_usa@yahoo.com>.

### MAY 10

#### ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

The Halsey Hall Chapter Spring Regional will take place May 10 at the Min-

nesota History Center in St. Paul. Guest speaker TBA. If you're interested in giving a research presentation, contact **Howard Luloff**.

For more information, contact **Howard Luloff**, phone: 952-922-5036; email: <HFan77@webtv.net>.

### MAY 17

#### DAYTON, OHIO

The next meeting of the Dayton Chapter will be May 17, 2003 and will include a Dayton Dragons game.

For more information, contact **John Schleppi**, phone: 937-294-1137; email: <John.Schleppi@notes.udayton.edu>.

#### PHILADELPHIA, PA

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## SABR Season

### March 15

11th Annual Spring Training Weekend, Phoenix AZ  
Contact Andrew Zinner, 602-506-5083

### March 29

Rocky Mtn. chapter meeting, Albuquerque NM  
Contact Ron Toya

Ted Williams chapter meeting, San Diego CA  
Contact Tom Larwin, 619-287-6474

### March 30

Lane Field Plaque Dedication, San Diego CA  
Contact Tom Larwin, 619-287-6474

### April 12

Forbes Field Chapter, Pittsburgh PA  
Contact Denis Repp, 724-733-4002

### April 26

Field of Dreams Chapter meeting, Davenport IA  
Contact R.J. Lesch, 515-991-4858

### May 2

Seymour Medal Conference, Cleveland OH  
Contact John Zajc, 216-575-0500

### May 10

Halsey Hall Chapter meeting, St. Paul MN  
Contact Howard Luloff, 952-922-5036

### May 17

Dayton Chapter Meeting  
Contact John Schleppi, 937-294-1137

Gonnie Mack Chapter Meeting, Philadelphia PA  
Contact Joe McGillen, 215-698-0476

### June 26-29

Jerry Malloy Conference, Harrisburg PA  
Contact: Ted Knorr, 717-238-5151

### July 10-13

SABR 33, Denver CO

### August 8

Field of Dreams Chapter meeting, Dyersville IA

**BUSINESS OF BASEBALL**

The Fall 2002 issue of "Outside the Lines" includes a Payroll v. Performance chart for 2002, a review of the 2002 Member Survey, and an article, "Inside the Major League Rules" by **Doug Pappas**.

Overall MLB attendance was down 6.1% in 2002, but TV ratings for the Saturday Game of the Week, ESPN, ESPN2 and the divisional series were up. More clubs will be offering variable ticket pricing in 2003. The Cardinals announced plans for a \$402 million "Ballpark Village" in downtown St. Louis, including \$325 million for a new stadium they hope to construct by 2006.

**MINOR LEAGUE**

The October 2002 issue of the committee newsletter seeks volunteers to take over the chairmanship of the committee as current chair **Bob McConnell** plans to resign at the 2003 convention in Denver. Contact Bob for details.

The 16-page newsletter includes many interesting research requests, contributions from **Denver Howard**, and a list of minor league player deaths as compiled by **Ray Nemec**. Also included is a 4-page update on the progress of The National Pastime: A Celebration of Baseball in American Life headed by **Dave Chase**. Among the exciting initiatives planned are The National Pastime University where high school and college students and faculty will come to Memphis and learn to identify and use primary source materials to do historical research. There will also be "Scan Vans" sent across the country to introduce thousands to the National Pastime and to provide the opportunity for individuals to contribute to the database. Players and family of players will be encouraged to bring photos, videos, scrapbooks, etc. to be scanned or photocopied by the trained "Scan Van" staff.

**NEGRO LEAGUES**

The December 2002 newsletter includes an update of the Negro League Researchers/Authors Group, obituaries, negro-league related articles and The Marketplace.

The February 2003 newsletter includes the 15 Most Wanted List (of biographical information of Negro Leaguers), including Ray Brown, Died: ??? 196?, Canada or Dayton, OH; Walter "Dobie" Moore, Died: when?, Detroit, MI; and

James "Cool Papa" Bell, Born: Sunday, 17 May 1901 or 1903, Starkville, MS.

Also included is a list of Negro Leaguers who died during 2002, including Howard "Toots" Ferrell, Jr. dies October 11 in Wilmington, Delaware at the age of 73; Ulysses Redd dies November 17 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana at the age of 88; Frank E. Bradley dies December 2 in Benton, Louisiana at the age of 84; Cecil Coles dies (date unknown) in Connellsville Pennsylvania at the age of 82.

The newsletter includes a list of Negro-League related articles available plus a review of **Leslie Heaphy's The Negro Leagues, 1869-1960**.

Visit the web site: <http://www.outoftheshadows.net/> to find out more about the Negro League Researchers/Authors Group.

**ORAL HISTORY**

The January 2003 committee newsletter lists the interviews turned in since June 15, 2002, including an interview of Frank Nesselth by **Rex Hamann**, Ken McMullen by **Marc Seror**, and Bob Turley by **Norman Macht**. A list of oral histories is listed at [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org). Click on "Research," scroll down to "Oral History," and click on "List of Interviews."

Tapes (and in some cases transcripts) are available to SABR members for research and/or pleasure for a modest fee. Contact committee chair **David Paulson**, 6285 Cardinal Lane, Columbia MD 21044, [d2244@gteinternet.com](mailto:d2244@gteinternet.com) for more information.

**SCOUTS**

The December 2002 issue of the committee newsletter includes information on the Roland Hemond Award. The nominees are **Peter O'Malley** and Pat Gillick. Also included is news on the possible formation of a scouts organization.

**SPRING TRAINING**

The second issue of the committee newsletter includes the following articles "On Board the Giants Special," The Giants Southern Tour, 1911" by **R. J. Lesch** and "Spring Training Memories: A Canadian Snowbird at Spring Training" by **T. Kent Morgan**.

**STATISTICAL ANALYSIS**

The August 2002 issue of "By the

Numbers" contains articles by **Robert T. Allen** ("Win Shares has Meat on Its Bones"); **Charlie Pavitt** ("Academic Research: Disabled List Trends and Racially Motivated HBP"); **Cyril Morong** ("The Impact of Lineup Balance on Scoring, 1920-1989"); **Randy Klipstein** ("The Essential SABRmetric Library"); and **Jim Albert** ("Smoothing Career Trajectories of Hitters").

**UMPIRE AND RULES**

The committee seeks new leadership as chair **David W. Anderson** has had to step down. If you are interested in running the committee, contact **John Zajc**, 812 Huron Rd E #719, Cleveland OH 44115 or [execdir@sabr.org](mailto:execdir@sabr.org).

The committee newsletter includes clippings available through **Reid Duffy** and a quick overview of the umpire section at [www.mlb.com](http://www.mlb.com), which contains thumbnail bios of each current umpire.

**WOMEN IN BASEBALL**

The October 2002 issue of the committee newsletter contains a list of articles available from the committee chair and a progress report on the committee project of biographies of women in baseball.

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## Membership Directory Now Online

On December 18, 2002, SABR launched its online Membership Directory, the first feature of the new Members-Only SABR web site <http://members.SABR.org>. This will be the future home of other online assets the organization determines should be available to members only.

You can reach the site directly, or, if you are on the regular website at <http://www.SABR.org>, you can click on the "Membership" menu choice and then click on "Directory."

Want to know which SABR member is an expert on Carlton Fisk? Just log on and look under "lookup," "Expertise," "F." How about the Midwest League? Or Prison Baseball? Now all of these are easy to find in the Online Membership Directory. You can search for members in a variety of different ways; by last name, first name, by ZIP Code or city. Find your SABR "birthday buddies" using the birthday lookup (year not shown).

Because of the security precautions we are taking, you must log on manually the first time you visit. Your username and password has not changed; but if you've been logging on automatically and have forgotten it, the system is set up to email you that information at the email address SABR has on file for you.

Because this is the SABR Membership Directory, it was decided that by default, every member's mailing address and home phone number will be shared with other SABR members, just as it is in the printed directory. If you prefer not to share some information with other members, return to your MySABR settings and set your preferences as "Private." Your name will still appear in the online directory.

Changing these privacy settings can be done after logging on by going to MySABR and clicking on the various tabs along the top of the screen (e.g., "Personal," "Preferences," "Contact"). "Contact" is the tab to click on to change the settings on your address or phone number. Notice the Home Plate, Megaphone, Lock and Pencil symbols.

**Home Plate** = your mailing address for SABR publications (we call it your primary address)

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Sincerely,

**John Zajc**, Executive Director

**F. X. Flinn**, Internet Committee Chair

## Access Membership Directory at the Library

In order to access the membership directory, you need a username and password which you can get by contacting the SABR office.

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## 2003 Budget Set

At its November Board Meeting, the SABR Executive Board approved a budget for 2003 that provides the membership many exciting changes in the wake of many fiscal challenges. A highlight of the budget was providing funding for the largest membership publication ever, a book on National League Deadball Era players. The budget is available online at <http://www.acelin.com/sabrmoney>.

The Board has continued to invest in upgrades to the SABR website, with the goal of making all membership information available online (to members only) by January; in effect, a real-time updated membership directory with searching capabilities. The Tattersall-McConnell Home Run Log is the next large piece of content that will be added to the site, followed by other databases such as the "Who-Signed-Whom" Scout database and the Biographical Research Committee database. An online research warehouse, which will allow members to "publish" their research online, is also planned for 2003. From your home, library or any other computer hooks up to the Internet, SABR members will have access to a wealth of exclusive information with just a username and password.

In adopting this budget, the Board made many hard decisions, projecting a second consecutive year in the black after running a deficit in the three previous years. While there will be no increase in dues for 2003, some cost saving measures and revenue enhancements (such as an increase in the registration fee for the 2003 convention) were necessary to balance the budget.

Because members will be able to search the up-to-date membership database online themselves, the 2003 Membership Directory was shelved. Material found in the front part of the book will be placed on the web site. The address section of the book will be accessible and searchable by SABR members only. Members who do not have Internet access may request one print copy per year, which will be produced on copy paper on a laser printer.

*The SABR Bulletin* will be published in March (convention information), April (elections), September, and November. More member news will be disseminated electronically via e-mails, e-groups, and [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org).

In other Board business, the Board named **John Zajc** Executive Director as of January 1, 2003; reports were made by Education Committee chair **Rodney Johnson**, Research Committee liaison **Andy McCue**, and Regional liaison **Stew Thornley**. The Board began discussion of several targeted fund raising opportunities, with more details forthcoming in 2003.

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In **Full Count: Inside Cuban Baseball**, Milton Jamail writes a detailed account of the history of baseball in Cuba while exploring the incredible passion of Cuban ballplayers in the face of extreme economic hardship.

A regular contributor to *Baseball America* and *USA Today Baseball Weekly*, Jamail has also published articles in the *Washington Post*, *Texas Monthly*, *Hispanic Vista*, and the *Houston Chronicle*.

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**The Pastime in the Seventies** by Bill Ballew contains interviews with 16 players who played during the 1970's including Ron Cey, Don Gullet, Buddy Bell, Butch Wynegar, Jerry Koosman and Vida Blue. Each interview is preceded by a short profile of the player and statistics, transactions and accomplishments.

Ballew is the author of several other sports books and lives in Asheville, North Carolina

**The Mexican League/La Liga Mexicana** is edited by Pedro Treto Cisneros and is a bilingual edition containing comprehensive Mexican League player statistics for 1937-2001. This book

also contains a brief history of Mexican professional baseball with a listing of members of the Mexican Baseball Hall of Fame and results for Mexican League All-Star games.

Cisneros is a member of the Mexican Baseball Hall of Fame and lives in Mexico.

**The Integration of Baseball in Philadelphia** by Christopher Threston. This book examines how Philadelphia acquired a reputation as a tough place for African American players. It follows the very slow and difficult progress of integration by the Philadelphia Phillies and the Athletics. This book provides biographical and statistical information on some of the African American players who were confronted with discrimination, and also looks at the white players, managers, coaches, and front office personnel who were having a difficult time accepting African American players on their teams.

Threston is a history teacher living in Marlton, New Jersey.

**A Biographical Dictionary of Major League Baseball Managers** by John C. Skipper. In this book, the entries are based on interviews, data and anecdotes from owners, coaches, and players. The entries include birth and death dates, the teams and dates they managed, win-loss records, winning percentages, and standings. A complete listing of managers in the history of each team is provided.

Skipper is a newspaper journalist and onetime general manager of a minor league baseball team. He has written several other books and lives in Mason City, Iowa.

**Big and Little Poison** by Clifton Blue Parker. This book tells the story of the Waner brothers from their early lives in Oklahoma through their playing days, which included a World Series against the

legendary 1927 New York Yankees. The Waner brothers, Paul and Lloyd also known as "Big Poison" and "Little Poison", played together for fourteen seasons in the same Pittsburgh outfield in the 1920's and 1930's.

Parker lives in Davis, California and has published several baseball works including a book about Hack Wilson.

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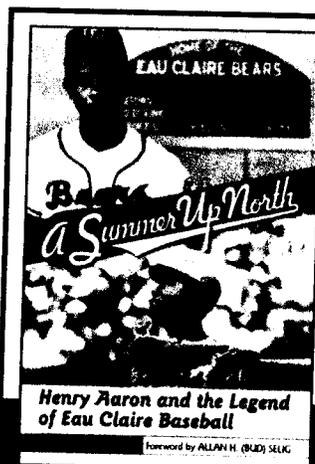
Powers is an international tax and finance and the author of a number of books and professional articles. He lives in Hong Kong.

**The Single-Season Home Run Kings** by William F. McNeil is a revised edition of McNeil's *Ruth, Maris, McGwire, and Sosa* that reviews the careers of each home run titan, with special attention to the record-breaking seasons. The cultural and social changes that may have affected both the season totals and fan reception are also considered.

McNeil is the author of several other books including *Cool Papas and Double Duties*. He lives in Pittsfield, MA.

**The Negro Leagues, 1869-1960** by Leslie A. Heaphy is a complete history of the Negro Leagues beginning with the second half of the nineteenth century, discussing the early attempts by African American players to be allowed to play with white teammates, and progressing through the creation of the "Gentleman's Agreement" in the 1890's which kept baseball segregated. It then

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### A Summer Up North

Henry Aaron and the Legend of Eau Claire Baseball

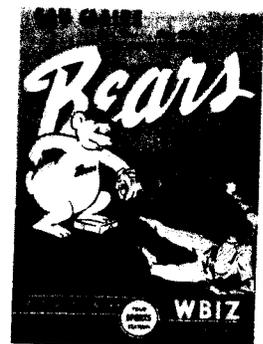
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Schedule details were not complete at press time, but plan to arrive no later than 5pm on Friday to enjoy all the conference activities. Friday evening is usually a fun event where attendees can get to know one another. Saturday will be complete with presentations, Mike Sowell's talk and the awarding of the Seymour Medal.

If you are interested in receiving the conference registration brochure, write to: Seymour Conference, 812 Huron Rd E #719, Cleveland OH 44115, or contact John Zajc at <execdir@sabr.org>.

Hotel rooms at the Radisson will be \$89 a night plus tax. Call 216-377-9000 to make your reservations before the deadline of April 17. The Texas Rangers visit Jacobs Field that weekend, and the new Lake County Captains will host the Lexington Legends in nearby Eastlake on Saturday and Sunday.

The Seymour Medal Conference is sponsored by the Cleveland Indians Baseball Club.

## Elysian Fields Announces Dave Moore Finalists

The baseball journal *Elysian Fields Quarterly* recently announced the the six finalists for the 2002 Dave Moore Award are as follows:

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- *POW Baseball in World War II* by Tim Wolter

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The award winner will be announced on March 15th to the media, and will be profiled in the spring issue of *Elysian Fields Quarterly*. The winner receives a \$100 honorarium and a commemorative plaque

All submissions, correspondence, and inquiries about the Dave Moore Award should be directed to: Dave Moore Award, c/o Elysian Fields Quarterly, PO Box 14385, St. Paul, MN 55114. Phone: 651-644-8558, email: info@efqreview.com.

## Spitball Announces CASEY Award Winner

*Spitball, The Literary Baseball Magazine* announced recently that Howard Bryant and Routledge, an imprint of the Taylor & Francis Group, have won the 2002 CASEY Award for *Shut Out: A Story of Race and Baseball in Boston*.

*Shut Out* won in a landslide with two first-place votes and one second-place vote from the three-judge panel on its way to beating out the other nine books nominated. Judge Bruce Markusen called *Shut Out*, "an important, groundbreaking book"; while Judge Lisa Winston, a writer for *Sports Weekly*, rated *Shut Out* as "one of the best

baseball books I have ever read, and in fact one of the best non-fiction books I have read in years. To simply call it a baseball book is to do it a desservice, in that people interested in American history, race relations in America, and simply human nature might not read it, which would be their loss..."

Bryant, a journalist who covers the New York Yankees for the *Bergen Record*, will accept his bronze CASEY plaque at the 20th annual CASEY Awards Banquet March 2, 2003, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

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The Connie Mack Chapter will have its meeting on May 17. Contact **Joe McGillen** for details, 215-698-0476.

### **JUNE 26**

#### **HARRISBURG, PA**

The Sixth Annual Jerry Malloy Negro League Baseball Research Conference will be held in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania this June 26-29. It will feature the Harrisburg Senators annual Negro League Night on June 26, a tie-in with a Phillies-Orioles game on June 28, two special presentations on Harrisburg BlackBall History, 10 research presentations, a keynoter, former players, trivia, a banquet, a baseball simulation tournament, site tours and more. Registration, hotel rooms, banquet

and games will be as reasonably priced as possible. For additional information, contact **Ted Knorr** at 717 238 5151 or [papabell@aol.com](mailto:papabell@aol.com)

### **AUGUST 8**

#### **DYERSVILLE, IOWA**

The Field of Dreams Chapter will meet Sunday, August 30 in Dyersville, Iowa, at or near the Field of Dreams. The Ghost Players will be appearing at the Field of Dreams from 12:00 until 2:00; they will hold the meeting after that. Details to be determined.

For more information, contact **R. J. Lesch** (see April 26).

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- ◆ Wear at least 35 SPF sunscreen and reapply every 3-4 hours. The sun has more power in this thin air and a bad sunburn can spoil your stay; use protective cream.
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- ◆ Denver is the "Baby Boomer" capital of America with the highest percentage of boomers of any major U.S. city.
- ◆ Denver is 20th in the U.S. in population, but has the 10th largest downtown in terms of office space and retail space.
- ◆ Denver has the nation's second largest performing arts center. The Denver Performing Arts Complex has eight theaters seating over 9,000 people.
- ◆ Denver citizens contribute more public funding for the arts per capita than any other U.S. city.

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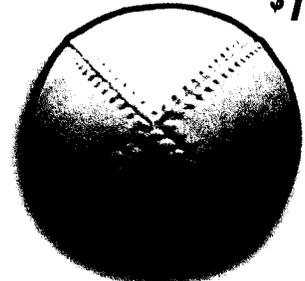
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## A Word from the Executive Director

Spring training is here and the season is about to begin. If you are interested in Spring Training, you can contact **Kevin Saldana** to learn more about the SABR Spring Training Committee. The season opens in Japan and if baseball on the Pacific Rim interests you, contact **Rob Fitts**, chair of the newly created Asian Baseball Committee.

As you can see, while the *Bulletin* schedule has been cut back (this is your first of four Bulletins in 2003), SABR is not cutting back on its commitment to help people do baseball research and provide an outlet to share baseball research. Besides adding the Asian Baseball Committee in January, a new committee on Science and Baseball has been formed; interested members should contact **Ken Heard**.

It's easier than ever to get in touch with your fellow member now that the membership directory is online. Elsewhere in this issue you'll read about some of the things you can access now, as well as directions on how to create a free e-mail account that you can use anywhere there is public access to the Internet, such as a local library.

I'd like to thank the 5,000+ members who have already renewed their SABR membership for 2003, and invite those who have not yet renewed to do so soon. While the by-laws grant a grace period through April 1 to pay your dues, we are extending that grace period until the end of April as a small token of our thanks for your patience in regard to the 2002 publication schedule.

We promise to do a much better job of getting your publications to you in a timely manner in 2003. The most exciting news about the 2003 publications is that we will produce our largest publication ever, a book on National League players, coaches, managers, etc. of the Deadball Era. Short biographies are being written by members of the Deadball Era Committee, and chair **Tom Simon** is bringing them all together in a book that could exceed 400 pages!

I wish everyone a great baseball season and I hope to see many of you at the SABR Convention in Denver in July!

John Zajc, Executive Director

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## BILL CURRAN

William Curran, baseball author and longtime SABR member, died December 17, 2002, in Salem, Oregon, after a short illness. He was 81. Born in New York City and bred as a Giants fan, Bill turned to writing after careers in government and education. His three baseball books—*Mitts: A Celebration of the Art of Fielding* (1985), *Big Sticks: The Batting Revolution of the Twenties* (1990), and *Strikeout: A Celebration of the Art of Pitching* (1995)—exhibit a comprehensive knowledge of his beloved game and an engaging style notable for its urbane yet unstilted voice. A member of the authors' panel at the Albany SABR convention in 1989, Bill was also the recipient of a lifetime achievement award from SABR's Northwest chapter in February 2000. A genial man, Bill had many friends. He often remarked on the generosity of SABR colleagues who provided him assistance with his writing projects; in turn, he cheerfully assisted dozens of researchers who queried him over the last two decades of his life. His ashes were buried in Port-

land at the Willamette National Cemetery, in recognition of his service in the US Navy during World War II.

## DR. STANLEY GROSSHANDLER

Dr. Stanley Grosshandler, one of SABR's earliest members, died at his home in Raleigh, North Carolina, on January 8 at age 76 following an extended illness.

A board certified anesthesiologist and a noted sports historian, Stan was an important contributor to SABR's development. Seven weeks after the Society was founded in August 1971, he joined as member No. 50. He was elected secretary-treasurer the following year and held that position in 1972 and 1973. For the next eight years he continued to help shape SABR's future by serving either as vice-president (1976 and 1977) or as a member of the Board of Directors. He also chaired various committees, including the first Bob Davids Award committee in 1985.

Born in Youngstown, Ohio, Stan moved from suburban Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to Raleigh in 1976 to work at Burroughs

Wellcome, an independent medical research organization. Specializing in pain management, Stan was affiliated with several medical schools and founded the Raleigh Pain Clinic. He also held a patent for the Racine Adapter, a universal endotracheal tube connector.

In his role as sports historian, he authored articles for nine of SABR's first 12 annual editions of the *Baseball Research Journal*, wrote hundreds of articles for other sports publications, including *Baseball Digest*, and produced a book on football titled *The Mighty Ones*.

Stan is survived by his wife of 42 years, Mary; daughters Lynn, Cathe and Lisa, sons Todd and Scott and six grandchildren.

## EDDIE GOLD

Eddie Gold, a SABR member since 1972, died December 28, 2002, in his Chicago home. He was 70.

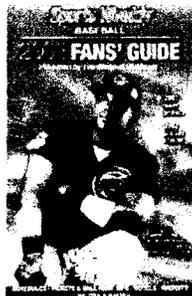
Eddie attended most SABR National Conventions and was a fixture and institution in the annual trivia contests.

A native of Green Bay, Wisconsin,

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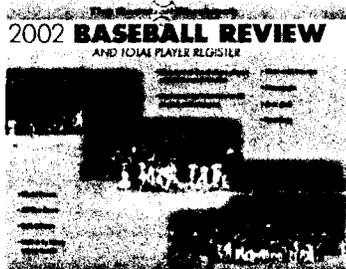
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Eddie moved to Chicago when he was 2. He spent more than a year at Wright Junior College on the Northwest Side. He met his wife, Audre, at Wright, and they married in 1957. Audre Gold died Oct. 28.

Gold also served in the Army in Korea just after the war ended.

Gold joined the *Chicago Sun-Times* in 1951 as a copy boy in the sports department. He later became a writer, covering the Blackhawks and horse racing. He retired as a sports copy editor 10 years ago but continued to write his popular trivia column. The Cubs were his team.

Gold wrote over a dozen articles and poems for SABR publications, as well as several baseball books.

Gold also is survived by his sons, Steve and Bruce, and three grandchildren.

### EDWARD G. "ED" MAHER

Edward G. "Ed" Maher, 69, of Attleboro, Mass., a SABR member since 1984, died December 4, 2002, after a long illness. He was a retired caseworker for the Massachusetts Welfare Department. Until his illness, Ed was an active member of the Lajoie-Start (Southern New England) chapter. His first love was the Brooklyn Dodgers, and he was a founding member of the Southeastern New England Brooklyn Dodgers Fan Club. He was also an active researcher and contributed articles to several baseball encyclopedias.

### ARCHIE MOTLEY

Archie Motley, 67, of Evanston, IL, a SABR member since 1987, died November 11, 2002 from complications stemming from falling off a ladder earlier that year.

Motley was an archivist emeritus at the Chicago Historical Society where it was said that his work changed the face of American archives.

Said his wife, Valerie Gerrard Browne, in an interview, "I think his real desire was to document the undocumented in our society to keep it from being lost."

### DICK CASE

Dick Case, 73, of Hamilton, NJ, a SABR member since 1972, died November 19, 2002 after a long illness.

Case was the first Executive Director of USA Baseball and instrumental in making baseball an Olympic Sport. Among his many achievements, he was also Secretary General of the International Baseball Federation and member of the

Board of Directors of the US Olympic Committee.

### LARRY BOWMAN

Larry Gene Bowman, 67, retired professor of history at the University of North Texas, died on July 28, 2002, after a short battle with cancer. Dr. Bowman was a professor of history at Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, Kansas from 1966 to 1998. He was also the director of the Co-operative Education program at the University of North Texas from 1983 to 1997. He had been a SABR member since 1995.

Early in his academic career Dr. Bowman wrote numerous articles on American colonial history as well as a book entitled *Captive Americans*. Later in his career his lifelong enthusiasm for baseball became the focus of his research. He contributed articles on the history of baseball to many publications, including the journals *Nine* and *The National Pastime*. His final work, *Before the World Series, a History of the Championship Series from 1884 to 1890*, is expected to be published by Northern Illinois University Press in 2003.

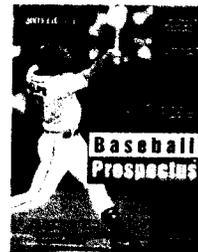
### BILL PARRILLO

Bill Parrillo, a sports columnist for the Providence (R.I.) Journal, died of kidney failure Feb. 7 at the age of 60. A SABR member since 1988, Parrillo was widely recognized as one of the best sports writers in New England, and regularly won regional writing awards. He gained national renown with his dramatic account of the earthquake that hit the San Francisco area during the 1989 World Series, which he was covering. He also touched readers around the region with a front page story in 2000 about his liver and kidney transplant. He is survived by his wife, Mary, and his mother.

SABR would also like to recognize **Thomas H. Forbes, Jr., William S. Friday, Robert Garfinkle, and Harry Hollingsworth**, who all passed on in the recent months. Our condolences go out to the friends and family of all recently deceased SABR members. They will be missed.



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**Best of By the Numbers** was expected to be in the mail on February 24. **Baseball Research Journal** should be delivered 5 to 6 weeks afterwards.

In 2003, the publication schedule will be *The National Pastime* in June and the *Baseball Research Journal* in November. Tentative plans call for a 350+ page book on Deadball Era National League players to be out in the Fall.

The Membership Directory will NOT be produced in 2003. If you do not have Internet access and would like a laser-printed copy of the directory, request one from the SABR office after April 15.

*The SABR Bulletin* will be produced in March (Convention issue), April (Election issue), September/October, and November/December.

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In each *Bulletin*, this space will be devoted to recognizing SABR members who, on their own initiative or on request, have assisted other members in their research projects - what SABR is all about. The only source of names will be you, the membership. There will be no judges, no committees, no competition. All names submitted will be printed; their nominators will not be identified.

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| Thursday, July 10        | Room 1                   | Room 2             |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 8am                      | Minor Leagues            | Baseball in the UK |
| 8:30am                   |                          | Oral History       |
| 9:00am                   |                          | Asian              |
| 10:00am                  | Spring Training          | Umpire & Rules     |
| 11:00am                  | Statistical Analysis     | Pictorial History  |
| 5:30pm                   | 19 <sup>th</sup> Century | Latin American     |
| 6:30pm                   | Deadball                 | Women in Baseball  |
| <b>Friday, July 11</b>   |                          |                    |
| 8:00am                   | Biographical Research    | Negro Leagues      |
| 9:00am                   | BioProject               | Science & Baseball |
| 1:00pm                   | Business of Baseball     | Collegiate         |
| <b>Saturday, July 12</b> |                          |                    |
| 7:30am                   | Scouts                   |                    |
| 8:00am                   |                          | Education/Youth    |
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**Gawthrop, Phil:** How to pick the all-stars for 1911. 17 pages. Statistical material for players plus guidance on how to use it to pick the all-stars for that season.

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**Gilbert, Bill:** Who were the most productive offensive players in 2002? 5 pages. Latest version of annual study.

**Gilbert, Bill:** Triple milestones, 2002. 4 pages. Players who had a .300 batting average, 30 home runs and 100 runs batted in. Latest version of an annual study.

**Graham, Bill:** Missouri town recalls baseball's first Babe. 3 pages. Text of article in the Kansas City Star, October 19, 2002, about Babe Adams.

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**Hoke, Travis:** Branch Rickey, Sabermetrician. 5 pages. Text of an article that appeared, under a different title, in Esquire magazine, October 1935.

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**Ripp, Bart:** Aaron Holbert's dream. 3 pages. Text of an article in the Tacoma News Tribune, June 2, 2002, about a 29-year-old minor leaguer who has had a one-game major league career.

**Schwarz, Alan:** Statistically speaking, Bonds in '02 is the best. 4 pages. Text of article on the ESPN web site examining Barry Bonds' statistics using a new theorem devised by Harvard statistics professor Carl Morris.

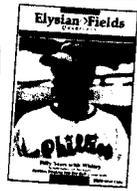
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The Rocky Mountain Chapter conducted on-line polling of the national SABR membership to find out your preferences for baseball and sightseeing optional events during SABR33. Based on the results, we have selected the following optional activities, which can be purchased when registering for the convention.

### **OPTIONAL BASEBALL EVENTS:**

**Colorado Springs Sky Sox vs Salt Lake City Stingers**, Saturday, July 12, 7:05 pm

The Sky Sox are the AAA PCL franchise for the Colorado Rockies; the Stingers are the AAA PCL team for the Anaheim Angels. The Sky Sox play at Sky Sox Stadium, located in northeastern suburbs of Colorado Springs. The stadium is a little gem, situated at 6,300 feet above sea level (and a thousand feet higher than Coors Field) and complete with a hot tub down the right field line for small groups.

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**Coors Field Tours:** A group tour of Coors Field will be offered on Friday, July 11 at 1:00 pm. The tour lasts approximately 80 minutes and visits the dugout, visiting clubhouse, press level, suite level and club level, in addition to general concourse areas. Transportation to/from the ballpark will not be provided for the group tour. Coors Field is located 10 blocks away from the Marriott City Center and can be reached by walking from the hotel or taking the 16th Mall shuttle to Blake Street and walking four blocks to Gate C at 21st and Blake. Since this tour is offered in the afternoon before the planned SABR33 Rockies game, you can elect to stay in LoDo after the tour and explore the many restaurants, sports bars, sports memorabilia and apparel stores and art galleries before the game.

Cost of Group Tour: \$4.00 per person (minimum of 35 required).

Visitors can also go on their own to Coors Field and take a public tours. These tours are offered on all non-game days and during the mornings when a game is scheduled in the evening (no tours offered on days with daytime games). During the convention days, you can tour Coors Field on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday or Saturday at 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 12:00 pm or 1:00 pm. No tour will be offered on Sunday, since the Rockies have a day game that day. SABR members attending the convention and interested in one of the other tour times can book a tour in advance by calling (303)ROCKIES and asking about Coors Field tours. The public tour price is \$6 for Adults, \$4 for Senior Citizens and Children.

*Can't Get in On Time for the Taste of the Rockies Tour?*

Attend the Town Ball Game at nearby Metro State College, Wednesday, July 9 from 3pm to 6pm.

The 1858 Dedham Rules will be used.

### **OPTIONAL SIGHTSEEING EVENTS:**

**Thursday, July 10: Mile High City Tour.** The city of Denver has a rich frontier heritage. On this tour, you can view Denver's earliest streets, see the residences and lifestyles of the silver and gold barons, and visit our state Capitol, built in the 1880's, and made entirely of granite with marble and rose onyx walls topped and a 24-carat gold leaf dome. One of the highlights of the tour will be an inside guided tour of the "unsinkable" Molly Brown's house. Look around and envision Molly's grandiose lifestyle during the gold rush days. The drive continues through Denver's most exciting, revived area in lower downtown-LoDo. Located in Denver's premier historic districts, it is home to more than 20 art galleries, nearly 100 restaurants and clubs, dozens of professional, service and retail businesses and over 1,000 lofts. The tour will depart at approximately 1:00 pm and has a total tour time of approximately 4 1/2 hours. The tour includes transportation to and from

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**Wednesday, July 9: Taste of the Rockies Tour.** Come to the convention a day early and see a little bit of the Wild West (and get some free beer, too!). This tour will depart the convention hotel at approximately 9:00 am and includes a visit to Lookout Mountain with its breathtaking views of Denver and the Plains and the site of the gravesite of the famous William "Buffalo Bill" Cody, a stop at the scenic and famous Red Rocks Park and Amphitheatre, an opportunity to absorb a magnificent view of the Continental Divide from Genesee, a luncheon stop in Golden, Colorado (lunch on your own in this historic and charming town) and a visit to Coors Brewery (including a stop in the tasting room!). The total tour time is approximately 7 hours and includes transportation and all admission fees.

Cost: \$33 per person. A minimum tour group size of 35 is required to ensure that this tour can be booked at this cost.

**Sunday, July 13: Estes Park, Gateway to Rocky Mountain National Park.** This tour will depart the hotel at approximately 8:00 am and includes a drive into gorgeous Rocky Mountain National Park with stops at the foot of Long's Peak and at Bear Lake and many opportunities to spot wildlife, followed by a visit to the historic Stanley Hotel in Estes Park and ample time to explore the resort town of Estes Park. You will return to Denver through the spectacular Big Thompson Canyon. The total tour time is approximately 8 hours and includes transportation, admission fees and a souvenir water bottle. There will be time for lunch in Estes Park at one of the many restaurants and brewpubs (lunch is on your own). A box lunch can be included for \$15 per person.

Cost: \$43 per person. A minimum tour group size of 35 is required to ensure that this tour can be booked at this cost.

Note: The transportation to and from the Sky Sox game and the three optional sightseeing tours are provided by Around and About Tours and Events of Colorado, a local tour group that has provided tours to conventions and groups for over 20 years.

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## Driving Directions

The east-west interstate highway is I-70. The north-south interstate highway is I-25.

### From I-70:

To southbound I-25; I-25 to the Colfax Avenue exit; Left on Colfax and continue east; to Welton Street; Left on Welton to 18th Street; Left on 18th to California Street; Left on California; Hotel entrance will be on right; If you are traveling north on I-25 take the Colfax Street Exit. But make a right turn on Colfax. Once eastbound on Colfax follow the directions above.

### PARKING

The Marriott offers valet parking, but it costs a minimum of \$10 to enter, and \$19-23 per night for overnight parking. However, there are three parking garages and five surface lots within two blocks on all sides of the hotel. The maximum per-day rates at these lots range from \$7 to \$12.

# Schedule Subject to Change

☐ = Included with Registration

■ = SABR 33 Events at Additional Cost

|          | Wednesday,<br>July 9      | Thursday,<br>July 10 | Friday,<br>July 11 | Saturday,<br>July 12 | Sunday,<br>July 13 |          |
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| 7:00 AM  |                           |                      |                    |                      |                    | 7:00 AM  |
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| 8:00 AM  |                           |                      |                    |                      |                    | 8:00 AM  |
| 8:30 AM  |                           | Committee Meetings   |                    |                      |                    | 8:30 AM  |
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| 2:00 PM  | Executive Board Meeting   |                      |                    |                      |                    | 2:00 PM  |
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# SABR 33 (July 10-13, 2003) Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail or phone: \_\_\_\_\_

| <b>Registration</b>             | <b>Before June 20</b> | <b>After June 20</b> |          |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------|
| ___ Registration, member/family | \$75                  | \$95                 | \$ _____ |
| ___ Registration, non-member    | \$95                  | \$115                | \$ _____ |

Names of others registered on this form: \_\_\_\_\_

## Convention and Optional Events

|   |       |          |
|---|-------|----------|
| ___ Taste of the Rockies Tour (Wednesday, 9:00am)   | \$33* | \$ _____ |
| ___ Mile High City Tour, (Thursday, 1:00pm)*  | \$29* | \$ _____ |
| ___ Coors Field Tour, (Friday, 1:00pm)*   | \$4*  | \$ _____ |
| ___ Tickets to Dodgers - Rockies Game, Coors Field (Fri, 7:05pm)                            | \$12  | \$ _____ |
| ___ Awards Luncheon (Saturday, 12 noon - 3pm)   | \$31  | \$ _____ |
| CHOOSE ONE  |       |          |
| ___ Grilled Haddock Piccata   |       |          |
| ___ Tuscan Chicken Roulade  |       |          |
| ___ <b>Special Dietary Needs (such as food allergies, religious needs), please specify:</b> |       |          |
| ___ Salt Lake City Stingers v. Colorado Springs Sky Sox (Sat, 4:25pm)                       | \$34* | \$ _____ |
| ___ Estes Park Trip (Sunday, 8 am)  | \$43* | \$ _____ |
| ___ Box Lunch for Este Park trip  | \$15  | \$ _____ |

\* -- Cost includes bus transportation; 35 needed to cover costs

## Please Tell Us

Will SABR 33 be your first SABR Convention?  Yes  No  
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 If Car, are you car or van-pooling?  Yes  No  
 Renting a Car?  Yes  No Rental Car Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are you planning to stay in the area before or after the convention?  Yes  No About how long: \_\_\_\_\_

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Card# \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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- Mail to: SABR33, 812 Huron Rd E #719 Cleveland OH 44115
- Call us between 9am and 4:30pm (Eastern) at 216-575-0500. Visa, Master or Discover Cards only.
- Fax us at 216-575-0502, 24 hours a day. Visa, Master or Discover Cards only.
- Register online at [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org)

## Additional Information and Instructions

1.) Complete the form to the left. Make checks payable to: "SABR" and mail to SABR 33, 812 Huron Rd E #719, Cleveland OH 44115. **Photocopies are acceptable.**

2.) Registration must be postmarked by June 20, 2003, to receive the early registration discount.

**Registration includes:** SABR 33 Convention packet (program, convention publication & other "goodies"), access to panels, trivia contests, committee meetings, and research presentations.

3.) To **ensure** a confirmation, you **MUST** send us a SASE.

4.) **Cancellations & Refunds:** A full refund is available if cancellation is received by June 19, 2003; 50% if received between June 20 and July 5. No refunds will be given if cancellation is made after July 5.

To cancel registration, call SABR at 216-575-0500.

5.) On-Site registration will be offered July 10-12th at the "after June 20 rate."

## Need A Roommate?

Fill out the form below completely and mail to the SABR office with a SASE, so it arrives no later than May 31. We will send you copies of this form from everyone who sent in this form for you to contact.

**SABR cannot guarantee anyone a roommate and is not responsible for any problems you may encounter.**

Please check:  I have a room that I am willing to share  
 I have no room, but would like to share with someone who does.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone/E-mail/Time \_\_\_\_\_

You can also check the SABR Forums on the SABR web site.

## Reserve Your Room Today

**Reservations must be received on or before Tuesday, June 17, 2003.**

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## Election Update

The deadline for nominations for President and two Director positions was February 1, 2003.

To help the membership make a more informed voting decision, the Nominations Committee has developed the following questions to be answered by the candidates.

### Question for president candidates

The Constitution and Bylaws Revision Committee recently issued a draft report. What is your reaction to the report, particularly regarding the selection of officers and directors?

### Question for director candidates

As a board member, what balance would you seek to strike between those who want to move member services, newsletters and some publications onto the web and those who want to maintain the traditional services SABR has provided its membership?

### General question for all candidates

SABR has traditionally wrestled with the issues of being better-known and increasing the size of the organization. Do you believe that these should be priorities for SABR? How do you envision the use of marketing and publicity to meet these and/or other needs of the organization?

The April issue of *The SABR Bulletin* will contain the official voting ballot. It will also contain complete candidate statements and other ballot issues, including a proposal for an update of the SABR Constitution and By-Laws. All members are urged to vote.

At presstime, **Richard Beverage** and **Rodney Johnson** were running for President. **Bo Carter**, **Dan Ginsburg**, **Ron Kaplan**, **Ed Luteran**, **Dan Ross** and **Anthony Salazar** were running for the two-year spot for Director. **Ed Goldstein**, **Norman Macht**, and **Ted Turocy** were running for the four-year Director spot.

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## Seymour Medal Finalists Announced

From more than thirty books considered, the Seymour Medal Committee, consisting of **Morris Eckhouse**, **Jim Odenkirk**, and **Gail Rowe**, have selected eight finalists. They include:

- **Charles Alexander's *Breaking the Slump: Baseball in the Depression Era*** (Columbia University Press);

- **Howard Bryant's *Shut Out: A Story of Race and Baseball in Boston*** (Routledge);

- **Jon David Cash's *Before They Were Cardinals: Major League Baseball in Nineteenth-Century St. Louis*** (University of Missouri Press);

- **David L. Fleitz's *Louis Sockalexis: The First Cleveland Indian*** (McFarland);

- **Leslie A. Heaphy's *The Negro Leagues, 1869-1960*** (McFarland);

- **Charles P. Korr's *The End of Baseball As We Knew It: The Players' Union 1960-1981*** (University of Illinois Press);

- **Jane Leavy's *Sandy Koufax: A Lefty's Legacy*** (HarperCollins); and

- **Joseph A. Reaves' *Taking in a Game: A History of Baseball in Asia*** (University of Nebraska Press).

The winner will be honored at the 5th annual Seymour Medal Conference held May 2-4 at the Radisson Hotel at Gateway in Cleveland, Ohio. The conference will include an author's reception on Friday evening, and a talk by **Mike Sowell**, author of *The Pitch That Killed*, prior to the Medal ceremony on Saturday.

Register for the conference online at <[www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org)> or contact **John Zajc** in the SABR office. The Seymour Medal Conference is sponsored by the Cleveland Indians Baseball Club.

## SABR Ballot Enclosed

This issue of *The SABR Bulletin* contains a special election centerspread. Contained therein are the candidate statements for members running for President, and the two available Director positions. In addition to their statements are their answers to questions posed to them by the Nominating Committee in an effort to give you, the voter, a better idea of who the candidate is and what his views are.

In addition to choosing the new President and two Directors, SABR members are being asked to vote on approval of a new set of by-laws. A short discussion of the need for the by-laws is contained on page "O" of the centerspread.

Members can discuss issues with candidates either through the SABR Forums portion of the SABR web site or through brsp, an e-mail list devoted to discussing SABR policy.

Fill out and return your ballot so it is received by June 3, 2003. The ballot is on the back page of the election centerspread.

Election results will be announced (unofficially) online and officially at the SABR National Convention in Denver. Complete results will also be published in the September issue of *The SABR Bulletin*.



## Have A Mile High Good Time at SABR 33

The SABR National Convention will be held July 10 to 13 at the Marriott City Center Hotel in downtown Denver, Colorado.

The March *Bulletin* contained information on many of the events as well as a registration form. You can also register online by visiting the SABR Store at [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org).

### Airline Information

United Airlines, which has 63 percent of the traffic at Denver International Airport, is the official convention airline, offering these discounts to conventioners:

- 5 percent discount for travel booked less than 30 days before the flight commences.
- 10 percent discount for travel booked at least 30 days before the flight commences.

**To qualify for the discounts**, you should call the United Airline Meeting Desk (1-800-521-4041) and provide the **Meeting ID Code: 511TS**.

Only round-trip tickets exclusively on United or United Express, with travel (and at least one-night's stay) during the period July 5-18 are eligible for discounts.

### MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS BY JUNE 17

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| Title  | Author                                      | Publisher                 | ISBN          | Retail Price | Disc     |
|--|---|---------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------|
| The Seasons  | Bill Gilbert                                | Citadel                   | 0-8065-2419-7 | \$23.95      | hrdcvr   |
| Commy  | G.W. Axelson                                | McFarland                 | 0-7864-1598-3 | \$27.00      | sftcvr   |
| Busting 'Em  | Ty Cobb                                     | McFarland                 | 0-7864-1599-1 | \$27.00      | sftcvr   |
| Reel Baseball  | Edit. by Stephen C. Wood & J. David Pincus  | McFarland                 | 0-7864-1389-1 | \$29.95      | hrdcvr   |
| Cuban Baseball   | Jorge S. Figueredo                          | McFarland                 | 0-7864-1250-x | \$45.00      | hrdcvr   |
| The San Diego Padres Encyclopedia                        | David Porter & Joe Naiman                   | Sports Publishing         | 1-58261-058-4 | \$39.95      | hrdcvr   |
| The Golden Voices of Baseball                            | Ted Patterson                               | Sports Publishing         | 1-58261-498-9 | \$39.95      | hrdcvr   |
| Beards, Bellies and Biceps                               | Robert Gordon & Tom Burgoyne                | Sports Publishing         | 1-58261-491-1 | \$22.95      | sftcvr   |
| The Hurrah Game  | Brian Turner & John Bowman                  | Hist. Northampton         | N/A           | \$13.50      | sftcvr   |
| Baseball Prospectus                                      | Gary Huckabay, Chris Kahrl & Dave Pease     | Brassey's                 | 1-57488-561-8 | \$21.95      | sftcvr   |
| Baseball Forecaster                                      | Ron Shandler                                | Shandler                  | 1-891566-03-2 | \$23.95      | sftcvr   |
| Shut Out   | Howard Bryant                               | Routledge                 | 0-415-92779-x | \$27.50      | hrdcvr   |
| Allie Reynolds   | Royse Parr & Bob Burke                      | Oklahoma Heritage         | 1-885596-27-8 | \$24.95      | hrdcvr   |
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| The Game is Easy - Life is Hard                          | Dorothy Turcotte                            | Fergie Jenkins Foundation | 0-9689609-0-1 | \$24.95      | hrdcvr   |
| Bright Star in a Shadowy Sky                             | Terrance K. & Patrick McGrath               | Dorrance                  | 0-8059-5125-3 | \$25.00      | sftcvr   |
| Cup of Coffee  | Rob Trucks                                  | Smallmouth                | 1-58848-039-9 | \$18.00      | sftcvr   |
| The First World Series and the Baseball Fanatics of 1903 | Roger I. Abrams                             | Northeastern              | 1-55553-561-5 | \$26.95      | hrdcvr   |
| Ted Williams   | Edit. by Lawrence Baldassaro                | Northeastern              | 1-55553-550-x | \$20.00      | sftcvr   |
| The Legend of Wild Bill Setley                           | T. Kissel & Scott Flesthume                 | Morris                    | 0-9715617-1-0 | \$11.95      | sftcvr Y |
| Sandy Koufax   | Jane Leavy                                  | Harper Collins            | 0-06-019533-9 | \$23.95      | hrdcvr   |
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| If I Never Get Back                                      | Darryl Brock                                | Plume                     | 0-452-28372-8 | \$14.00      | sftcvr   |
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| Stealing Lives   | Arturo J. Marcano Guevara & David P. Fidler | Indiana Univ. Press       | 0-253-34191-4 | \$27.95      | hrdcvr   |
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| The Streak   | Bill Chastain                               | Publish America           | 1-59129-692-7 | \$19.95      | sftcvr   |
| 2003 Japanese Major & Minor Leagues Statistics Report    | Carlos Bauer                                | Baseball Press            | 1-893392-07-4 | \$12.50      | comb     |
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| A Pitch in Time  | Robert A. Lytle                             | Edco                      | 0-9712692-5-4 | \$10.50      | sftcvr   |
| <b>Journal</b>   |   |                           |               |              |          |
| Elysian Fields Quarterly                                 | Edit. Tom Goldstein                         | Knothole                  | N/A           | \$ 5.95      | sftcvr   |

*The Seasons: Ten Memorable Years in Baseball, And in America* written by Bill Gilbert, with a foreword by Larry King, tells the history of modern American through ten milestone summers in baseball. The book features reflections from Dom DiMaggio, Duke Snider, Bob Feller, Ted Williams, Brooks Robinson and more.

Gilbert is the author of eighteen books on sports, WW II, government and politics including *Now Pitching, with Bob Feller*.

*Seasons* is available though Citadel press and can be found in most major bookstores.



*Commy: The Life Story of Charles Comiskey* by G.W. Axelson is a reprint of the only biography of Comiskey ever

published and is part of the McFarland Historical Baseball Library series.

Comiskey told his life story to Chicago sportswriter Axelson in 1918, and the Reilly & Lee Co. published the biography the next year.

*Busting 'Em and Other Big League Stories* by Ty Cobb is also a reprint of the book that was first published in 1914. Although Cobb is titled as author, it was ghostwritten by John N. Wheeler. This book is also part of the McFarland Historical Baseball Library series.

*Reel Baseball: Essays and Interviews on the National Pastime, Hollywood and American Culture* edited by Stephen C. Wood and J. David Pincus is organized into four sections examining different aspects of the cultural intersection between film and baseball. The sections include "Base-

ball in Baseball Films," "Babe Ruth and the Silver Screen," "Baseball in Non-Baseball Films" and the fourth section consists of interviews with directors, actors, and baseball personnel who have worked in baseball films.

*Cuban Baseball: A Statistical History, 1878-1961* by Jorge S. Figueredo presents basic statistical information and listings for every Cuban Baseball team from 1878 until 1961. The information for each season includes the final standings, team rosters, all-time records, individual statistics arranged by team, and background information.

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You have in your hands the ballot for this year's election. In addition to candidates for office, there is a new set of bylaws to vote on. The majority of the board members favor their adoption and I hope you will carefully consider them. The bylaws represent an enormous amount of work on the part of the Constitution and By-Laws committee, and we cannot thank them enough.

At one point I promised you something of a report on the state of Australian baseball. While I was in Australia for a couple of weeks, I did see some youngsters working on their throwing in Kooyong Park in Melbourne. They were outnumbered by soccer players and a few cricketers, but seemed very intent on their drills.

Even though it's summer in Australia now, the players seem to follow the American schedule. So spring training takes place in summer, and play in what would be fall for them. Given that the Sydney Morning Herald published a 16-page tabloid section on the upcoming rugby season my last day in Sydney, it's not surprising that baseball has trouble keeping its headline above water. For the Australian TV viewers who have access to ESPN International, the only American sports on the highlights were the NBA and college basketball. Soccer

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coverage - granted the UEFA Champions Cup was on - dominated.

Whatever they're doing, Australia has produced 17 major leaguers from a country whose population is about 19 million. I'm sure the residents of the Dominican Republic might not find these numbers impressive, but considering that baseball is not a dominant passion in Australia (dominant passions include beer, rugby, cricket, and the notorious Australian Rules Football), it's a good start.

Some of you may read this and think the Australians are deprived by not having baseball as the main course on their sporting menu. As they say there, "No worries mate." Baseball comes to those who want it.

On our side of the International Date Line, hopes are rising like some pitchers' fastballs. Spring training and the run-up to Opening Day is a time of great promises. A fan can always argue that spring training records and games are meaningless, especially if your favorite team is showings all the earmarks of ineptitude.

For me, spring training is like the vocal exercises opera singers engage in before they sing. The sweet music of the regular season will be here soon enough.

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**San Diego Padres Encyclopedia** by Joe Naiman and David Porter is the first comprehensive volume of the Padres from its roots as a National League expansion team in 1969 through the 2001 season.

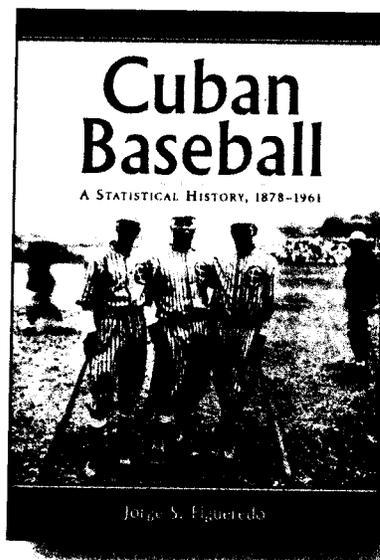
Much of Naiman and Porter's biographical information was actually collected through personal interviews.

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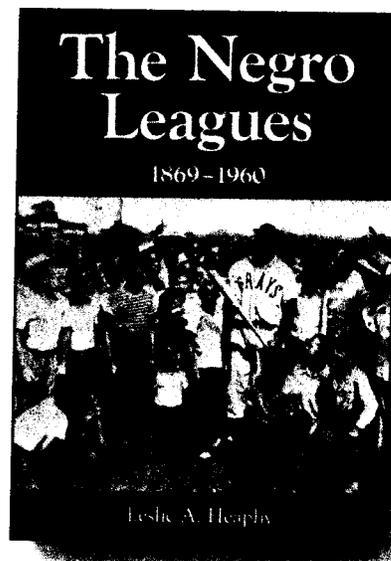
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# RESEARCH COMMITTEES

## BALLPARKS

The January 2003 edition of the committee newsletter includes preservation news from Baltimore, Washington D. C., Muskegon, Boston, and many other cities. Dozens of citations for ballparks-related items are also included. The Book Notes section includes a list of ballpark-related books that have been published in the last year or two.

## BIOGRAPHICAL RESEARCH

The January/February committee newsletter awarded its find of the month to new committee member **Peter Mancuso**, with assists from **Richard Malatzky**, **Peter Morris**, and **Joe Simenic** for finding Charles F. Jones of the 1884 Brooklyn AA club.

It turns out Jones was a policeman after his baseball career, working for the NYPD. Mancuso checked the NYC Police Museum and found that Jones was promoted to sergeant in 1913 and retired in 1918. He died September 15, 1922 in St. Francis Hospital in the Bronx and was buried in St. Raymond's Cemetery.

Steve Bechler's unfortunate death made him the 18<sup>th</sup> player to die within a year of his major league debut, a scant 164-day stretch. Dick Wantz of the 1965 Angels has the shortest period between debut date and death, dying of cancer only 30 days after his April 13<sup>th</sup> debut. The newsletter contains the complete list of the 18 players.

**David Nemecek** got the ball rolling on discovering the first baseman for Columbus on May 31, 1883 was not James Field, but a man named Childs. **Peter Morris**, **Jay Sanford**, **Rich Bozzone** and **Rick Benner** all contributed to piece together that Samuel Childs was a Yale grad who later became a doctor.

## LATIN AMERICA COMMITTEE

The Winter 2003 edition of the Latin America Committee newsletter notes that the Dominican Republic won the 45<sup>th</sup> Caribbean World Series, its 14<sup>th</sup> championship. David Ortiz was named MVP. Venezuela did not compete for the second time in the series history due to the political unrest. The second-place team from Puerto Rico, Caguas, took their place.

The exhibit, "Home: A Celebration of Roberto Clemente Passion and Spirit" opened in December at the Museo del

## The Baseball Index Grows Again!

When The Baseball Index web site was launched last spring we had over 175,000 records loaded on the database for everyone to search. This actually reflected all the indexing we had gathered as of the end of 2001. Our focus in early 2002 was to get TBI up on the web and searchable by anyone. That accomplished, we then turned our attention to developing a way to easily edit existing records and add new ones. This was more complicated than it sounds. But, through the generous contributions of individual SABR members, Daniel Levine & Co. have made it possible for us to continue growing the database. You will notice that we are now up to over 177,000 records. The number will continue to increase in the coming year, reflecting the thousands of new source references created by TBI volunteers in the past year.

Be sure to check out SABR's Baseball Index at:  
<http://www.baseballindex.org>

## New Oral History Tapes Available

The Oral History Committee has obtained the following interviews on tape: George Kell, Tom Sturdivant, Doug Bird, Red Murff, Monte Irvin, Sam Mele and Jerry Coleman (on same tape), Bob Tewksbury, Ken Brett and Monte Irvin (on same tape), Bobby Thomson, Carolyn Thomas (Walter Johnson's daughter), Pat McGlothin, and Tommy Barrett.

For a complete list of our interviews, go [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org). Then click onto "Research," scroll down to Oral History Committee and click onto "list of interviews." These tapes are available for \$3.00 per tape (postage included).

Arte de Puerto Rico. It runs through May 4, 2003.

## PICTORIAL HISTORY COMMITTEE

**Bill Hickman**, new chair of the Pictorial History Committee, has published his first committee newsletter. He reports that fewer than 1,500 major leaguers are missing from the Player Image Index, cutting the number missing in half in the past year. Thanks to **Lefty Blasco**, **Rick Harris**, **Ed Koller**, **Rod Nelson**, **Paul Sallee**, **Bob Schaefer**, **Tom Shieber**, and **Richard Ulrich** for their help.

The committee has found several useful web sites:

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/ammemhome.html>

In using the search function, type in the name of the player plus the word baseball because the collection contains photos of people from all realms and occupations in society. By the way, American Memory is the name of the firm which runs the website for the Library of Congress, but the photo collection remains under the Library of Congress control.

A particularly useful and comprehensive part of the website is the *Chicago*

*Daily News* collection of photos. The main webpage for this sub-collection is at:

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/ndlpcoop/ichihtml/cdnhome.html>

One benefit of the *Daily News* Collection is that each photo is accompanied by an Accession Number. If a player is represented by more than one photo in this collection, distinctions can be made by using the Accession Number. Therefore, in cataloguing photos from this collection into the Player Image Index, they have entered the Accession Number into their records. The Accession Number can be entered into the keyword search function of the above webpage and it will bring you right to the webpage containing the link to the desired photo.

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# SABR REGIONALS

## Upcoming

### APRIL 19

#### **CLEVELAND, OHIO**

The Jack Graney Chapter will meet on Saturday, April 19th. Contact **Jim Kastro** (440-331-4762 or [kastro@core.com](mailto:kastro@core.com)) for more information.

### APRIL 28

#### **SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**

The "Rabbit" Maranville Chapter will meet April 28th at the East Congregational Church, Bowles Park, Fellowship Hall in East Springfield at 7 pm. There will be a registration fee of \$2.00.

Scheduled speakers include: former Minor League Baseball umpire and former member of Major League Baseball International Jeff Thibodeau and Fred King, radio personality and former sports personality. King will talk and discuss baseball before and after free agency. SABR member **Joe Perla** will have his own Springfield baseball display at the meeting for all to enjoy. RSVP's are encouraged but not necessary.

For more information, contact **Charlie Sacheli**, phone: 413-783-0801, email: [<CSacheli@aol.com>](mailto:CSacheli@aol.com).

### MAY 10

#### **LONDON, ENGLAND**

The Bobby Thomson Chapter (aka SABR UK) will be holding its 12th Annual General Meeting on Saturday, May 10th at the Three Kings Pub in Clerkenwell (London). The cost is roughly £10 and standard features include a buffet lunch and dinner, members' presentations, a trivia quiz, an auction of books and memorabilia, and plenty of time for unstructured chatter. Any SABR member who plans to be in London at the time is invited to attend. Please contact **Michael Olenick** at +44 (0)20-8449-1806 or [michael.olenick@tesco.net](mailto:michael.olenick@tesco.net) for more information.

#### **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA**

The Halsey Hall Chapter will meet May 10 at the Minnesota History Center in St. Paul. Guest speaker TBA.

If you're interested in giving a research presentation, or for more information, contact **Howard Luloff**, phone: 952-922-5036; email: [<HFan77@webtv.net>](mailto:HFan77@webtv.net).

### MAY 17

#### **DAYTON, OHIO**

The next meeting of the Dayton Chapter will be May 17, 2003 and will include a Dayton Dragons game.

For more information, contact **John Schleppe**, phone: 937-294-1137; email: [<John.Schleppe@notes.udayton.edu>](mailto:John.Schleppe@notes.udayton.edu).

#### **PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA**

The Connie Mack Chapter will have its meeting on May 17. Contact **Joe McGillen** for details, 215-698-0476.

### MAY 31

#### **TOLEDO, OHIO**

The Bresnahan/Mud Hens Chapter will have a meeting Saturday, May 31, followed by a behind-the-fence supper and Mud Hens-Durham Bulls game at Fifth Third Field.

For more information or to express interest in making a presentation, contact **Steve Lauer**, 419-882-1301.

### JUNE 7

#### **PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND**

The Lajoie-Start Chapter (Southern New England) chapter is working on plans for a meeting at McCoy Stadium, home of the Pawtucket Red Sox, June 7. For updated information, call **Len Levin** at 401-351-3278 or send an e-mail to: [<LenLevin5@hotmail.com>](mailto:LenLevin5@hotmail.com).

### JUNE 26

#### **HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA**

The Sixth Annual Jerry Malloy Negro League Baseball Research Conference will be held in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania this June 26-29. It will feature the Harrisburg Senators annual Negro League Night on June 26, a tie-in with a Phillies-Orioles game on June 28, two special presentations on Harrisburg BlackBall History, 10 research presentations, a keynoter, former players, trivia, a banquet, a baseball simulation tournament, site tours and more. Registration, hotel rooms, banquet and games will be as reasonably priced as possible. For additional information, contact **Ted Knorr** at 717 238 5151 or [<papabell@aol.com>](mailto:papabell@aol.com).

### JULY 5

#### **SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA**

The Ted Williams Chapter will meet the morning of July 5 in the Qualcomm Stadium Press Box. Expected start time is 9:30am. The Giants are in town that evening. Speakers lined up include **Kerry Yo Nakagawa**, author of *Through a Diamond, 100 Years of Japanese-American Baseball* and Josh Suchon, author of *This Gracious Season: Barry Bonds and the Greatest Year in Baseball*.

Contact **Tom Larwin** for more information, 619-231-1466.

### AUGUST 8

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## SABR Season

### April 12

Forbes Field Chapter, Pittsburgh PA  
Contact Denis Repp, 724-733-4002

### April 26

Field of Dreams Chapter, Davenport IA  
Contact R.J. Lesch, 515-991-4858

### April 28

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### May 17

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Connie Mack Chapter, Philadelphia PA  
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### May 31

Bresnahan/Mud Hens Chapter  
Contact Steve Lauer, 419-882-1301

### June 7

Lajoie-Start Chapter meeting TBA, Pawtucket RI  
Contact Len Levin, (401)-351-3278

### June 26-29

Jerry Malloy Conference, Harrisburg PA  
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### July 5

Ted Williams Chapter  
Contact Tom Larwin, 619-231-1466

### July 10-13

SABR 33, Denver CO

### August 8

Field of Dreams Chapter, Dyersville IA  
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We now have over 3 dozen active regional groups. These groups have helped SABR members form life-long friendships, have done the major work involved in running the annual convention, have published their own newsletters and publications, have assisted in the creation of historical markers, and even have created a Baseball Research Center at the San Diego Public Library.

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One way you can ensure that SABR will be able to fulfill its mission for another 32 years is to include SABR in your estate plans. Many members have over the years mentioned that they plan to leave their baseball books and papers to SABR. This is an excellent way to be sure your baseball materials can be used by your fellow researchers and aren't discarded. But it also takes money for SABR to properly maintain its archives; so remembering SABR in your will, either as a percentage of your estate or in outright gifts of cash, securities, or insurance, can be even more effective in helping SABR reach its goals. And because SABR is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation, your estate gift reduces the potential tax burden of your heirs.

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Write to me at SABR, 812 Huron Rd E #719, Cleveland OH 44115 or [execdir@sabr.org](mailto:execdir@sabr.org) for more information on estate planning. Be aware that SABR does not provide estate planning counsel. Please see your financial or legal advisor.

SABR is an outstanding organization comprised of some of the most generous people I have met. In its 32-year history it has had many accomplishments in the field of baseball history, and has brought much enjoyment to thousands of members and baseball fans. Now is the time to make sure SABR can continue to provide future baseball researchers and historians with the tools and outlets they need to make sure baseball's rich history can be enjoyed for years to come. I thank you for your continued support of SABR.

Sincerely,  
John Zajc  
Executive Director

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Gordon is a humor columnist in addition to covering the Philadelphia sports scene for over 13 years. Burgoyne has been the official Phillie Phanatic since 1994 after serving as the backup from 1989 to 1993.

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## IN MEMORIAM

### AL KERMISCH

Al Kermisch, the author of *Notes from a Researcher* and a SABR member since 1971, passed away in November 2002. *Notes from Researcher* was one of the most popular, and well respected, contributions in the *Baseball Research Journal*.

### HOWARD MCCUTCHEON

On Thursday, October 10, Howard George McCutcheon passed away. A SABR member since 1990, Howard was an avid sports fan, enjoying football as well as baseball, and remained loyal to the Pittsburgh teams. Said his sister, "From the time he was a young boy...he always had a baseball glove in his hand."

### BILL TREESE

Bill Treese, SABR member since 1993, died January 23. Bill enjoyed minor league baseball and was a part of the Louisiana regional chapter.

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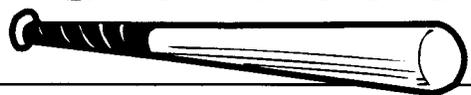
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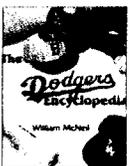


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Printed below are the functions of each office according to the current SABR Constitution and by-laws. You are also being asked to approve an entirely new Constitution and By-Laws on this ballot. Discussion of this can be found on page "O." The new officers descriptions are in Article 3 of the new C & B.

## Article 3 - Officers and Functions

### A. President

1. Shall preside over the annual meeting;
2. Shall serve as chairman of the executive board;
3. May establish ad hoc committees and appoint the chairperson.
4. Shall carry out the directives of the membership and the executive board;
5. Shall work with the executive director in public relations matters;
6. Shall be elected in odd-numbered years for a term of two years and may serve one additional consecutive term if re-elected.
7. Must have been a member of the Society continuously for four years prior to taking office.
8. Shall be empowered to sign contracts and letters of agreement subject to prior approval of the executive board. The President may delegate signatory power, as appropriate.

### F. Directors

1. Must have been a member of the Society continuously for four years prior to taking office.
2. Shall serve a four year term.
3. Shall serve on the executive board.

### G. Executive Board

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2. Shall determine policies.
3. Shall approve all contracts and letters of agreement prior to signing except those covered in Section E-8.
4. Shall appoint the chairpersons of all standing and research committees except the Nominating Committee.
5. Shall meet at the annual meeting and at least one other time between annual meetings.
6. May establish new research committees in accordance with the bylaws.
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8. No one person may fill two positions on the Board simultaneously.
9. All decisions of the executive board shall be made by majority votes except where specified otherwise in this document.

On the last page of this Voter's Guide is the ballot. Vote for or against by-laws changes by making a mark next to the appropriate vote. Make a mark on the line next to the candidate for whom you want to vote. You are provided with a space to cast any write-in vote you wish.

***The deadline for your vote to be received is June 2, 2003.***

- ◆ The Instructions for Voting are printed on the last page of this Voter's Guide
- ◆ The Ballot can be found on the last page of this Voter's Guide
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### Dick Beverage

Member Since: 1980  
E-mail: RBEVERAGE@aol.com

**SABR Experience:** Vice President, 1994-97; Secretary, 1998-2002; President, Allan Roth Chapter, 1989-95; Member of the Minor League, Umpire and Rules, Deadball and Ballparks Committees; Contributor to the *Baseball Research Journal*, *The National Pastime*, *SABR Review of Books*; *SABR Guide to Minor League Statistics*; Member of several SABR *ad hoc* committees. Have attended every national convention since 1984.

**Other Relevant Experience:** Secretary-Treasurer and Chief Operating Officer of the Association of Professional Ballplayers of America, a non-profit organization which assists former players who are in need; Founder and President of the Pacific Coast League Historical Society; Editor and Publisher of the *Pacific Coast League Potpourri*, a bimonthly newsletter on Pacific Coast League history; Contributor to *Nine and Baseball America*, *Encyclopedia of Major League Teams* (California Angels) and several Pacific Coast League scorecard-magazines. Author of two books on the Pacific Coast League—*The Angels-Los Angeles in the Pacific Coast League 1919-57* and *The Hollywood Stars-Baseball in Movieland 1926-57*.

**Education:** B. A., History, Colgate University. M. B. A., Financial Management, Golden Gate University.

**Occupation:** Secretary-Treasurer of the Association of Professional Ballplayers of America. Previous experience as a Chief Financial Officer in industry, public accounting and consultant in office management and human relations.

#### Candidate Statement

SABR remains as strong as ever. But as always, there are important issues to be addressed, issues that must be resolved. The most important task that this Board will face is planning for the future. That is the proper role for any Board, but too often in the past the Board has allowed itself to get bogged down with the operating details of the organization. We have a capable office staff to handle those activities. Under my leadership there will be an increased emphasis on developing sound strategies for establishing and achieving SABR's goals.

Immediate problems that must be addressed are the financial equilibrium of the Society and its publications program. In recent years SABR has been able to operate at a break even level only by eliminating or reducing planned expenditures. This isn't an effective way to run an organization. We will seek out more cost saving opportunities and will look for additional sources of funds, especially in the areas of member donations and bequests.

The publications program has been unsettled for almost two years and must be improved. Recent deliveries of our product have not been timely, and the quality in recent years has been uneven. Our publications are SABR's window to the world, and most of our members view them as the most important part of their membership. We are obligated to get the publications to them on time. And we must continually strive to improve the quality of what is published. This year's product should always be better than last.

I think it important that we consider our web site development as part of the publications program. The Internet committee has spearheaded the improvement in the last two years, and there is room for more features. We should look for research projects that aren't suited for *BRJ* and *TNP*. Umpire rosters and the biographical committee database are two such possibilities.

By improving our publications and strengthening our financial position, we will provide a better environment for baseball research to thrive. As President, I will devote my energies to doing just that. I respectfully ask for your vote.

### Rodney Johnson

Member Since: 1990  
E-mail: Fdelhichpt@aol.com

**SABR Experience:** Director, 1999-present; President, Arizona Flame Delhi Chapter, 1994-2000; Vice President, Arizona Flame Delhi Chapter 1993; Local Convention Chair, 1999 (SABR 29); Youth/Education Committee Chair, 2000-present; Internet Committee board liaison 1999-2000.

**Other Relevant Experience:** Official scorer MLB, Arizona Diamondbacks, 2001-present; Stringer MLB.com, 2000-present; Coordinator of official scorers Arizona (rookie) League, 2000-present; Official scorer Arizona (rookie) League, 1996-present; Official scorer Arizona Fall League, 1997-2000; Official Scorer PCL, Phoenix Firebirds, 1997; Published works have appeared in; *Diamondbacks Magazine*; *The Total Baseball Catalog*; *Sports Collectors Digest*; *Baseball Arizona*; *Mining Towns to Major Leagues*; *Baseball in the Badger State*; and other publications. Co-author of *Baseball's Greatest Hits Trivia Series*. More than 15 years experience in the sports memorabilia business; expert witness and appraiser for U.S. Attorney's Office, sports memorabilia.

**Education:** BA, Broadcast Journalism, Arizona State University

**Occupation:** Youth Sports Program Coordinator, City of Tempe (AZ) Parks and Recreation; Official Scorer; Freelance Writer.

#### Candidate Statement

I will be an active President working to strengthen our organization's traditional programs, bring energy and forward thinking ideas to new initiatives and increase the public profile of SABR. Publications, regional groups, research committees and the SABR web site will receive priority in budget considerations.

We must maintain regular publication schedules and improve the quality of our publications. I propose a schedule of four quarterly journals. Two journals, issues of *BRJ*, would be held to rigorous academic standards requiring footnotes and peer review. Not limited by length, longer, more in-depth articles would be encouraged. All members would receive the convention publication as part of their membership. The fourth publication, *TNP*, would be for magazine-style articles of general interest to the membership.

Identifying and promoting unifying projects for research committees and regional groups are key to increasing activity and productivity.

I envision [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org) becoming the first choice for baseball researchers. Adding content sooner, rather than later, is the next step in that direction.

We must reach out to younger members and find ways to connect with a new generation of baseball researchers. We must look at how baseball and researchers have changed. It is time to recognize aspects of baseball research previously ignored by the society and to investigate interest in forming research committees that study baseball memorabilia/collecting; baseball films; amateur baseball; equipment; baseball fiction; and other popular aspects of baseball history that have thus far been underexplored by SABR. Traditional SABR committees would be enhanced and enriched by an infusion of new ideas, new ways of looking at old problems and gain the benefit of a wider, more varied audience. Norwegian dramatist Henrik Ibsen wrote "Youth will come here and beat on my door, and force its way in." I believe that youth have been knocking on SABR's door, but we haven't been listening. To grow and become a more vibrant, more youthful, more productive organization, we need to open the door instead of waiting for it to be broken down. Together, we can open doors to a bright new horizon.

## For Director (unexpired term)

### Bo Carter

Member Since: 1991  
E-mail: bo@big12sports.com

SABR Experience: Worked the 1996 SABR Convention in Arlington, Texas and edited *Texas is Baseball History* convention program/collection of Texas baseball stories.

Other Relevant Experience: Have worked with Collegiate Committee Co-Chair Jay Langhammer for several years in college baseball research and have a strong interest in the history of Henry Emmett "Heinie" Manush—know several of his family members after growing up in North Alabama; past president (1991) of National Collegiate Baseball Writers; NCBWA Wilbur Snyppe Award for contributions to college baseball; Executive Director of NCBWA since 2000; voting facilitator for Dick Howser Trophy, college baseball player of the year.

Education: B.A., Vanderbilt, 1974, classics (cum laude)

Occupation: Assistant Commissioner for Media Relations, Big 12 Conference

#### Candidate Statement

I am humbled and honored to be considered for a two-year tenure on the SABR Board. Our chapter, Hall-Ruggles, in the Dallas-Fort Worth area has been privileged to receive magnificent cooperation from the Texas Rangers Baseball Club; particularly, Vice President John Blake. SABR has made many dynamic steps in the last 4-5 years and has received increased national recognition. Membership has a chance to zoom in the coming 2-3 years, and I hope I can be part of that effort on the national scene. There are numerous SABR legends, such as past Hall-Ruggles Chapter President Howard Green and current President Paul Rogers (noted author and internationally-known barrister), who have been personal inspirations. Thank you for the opportunity and for your consideration.

### Dan Ginsburg

Member Since: 1971  
E-mail: danielginsburg@aol.com

SABR Experience: Currently a director of the SABR national board and the board of the Lefty O'Doul Chapter (S.F. Bay Area). Member of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century and Deadball committees.

Other Relevant Experience: Active baseball researcher specializing in gambling scandals; former president and director of a global marketing company (DraftWorldwide); current or former director of several corporate and non-profit boards.

Education: BSJ in Advertising, Northwestern University

Occupation: President, Champagne De Meric

#### Candidate Statement

I am running to continue as a director of SABR because I feel that I can contribute to our society in a number of areas. As one of the founders of SABR, I have a strong historical perspective of why SABR was created, and its evolution during the past 32 years. As the former president of a multi-national company, I have a strong background in management and strategic planning. I feel that this historical perspective and business background will benefit our society.

I strongly believe that the purpose of the board is to help assure that the society fulfills its mission, and delivers the maximum possible benefit to our members. We must strive to constantly improve by putting out better and better publications, and providing many useful tools for baseball researchers. In order to accomplish this, we must effectively maximize the efficient use of our financial and human resources, and avoid the politics and infighting that have occasionally plagued SABR in past years.

SABR is a great organization, but there is much room for improvement. I hope to contribute to this improvement.

### Ron Kaplan

Member Since: 1982  
E-mail: Ronk23@aol.com

SABR Experience: Member, Bibliography Committee; Contributor, RBI program; Contributor, Bibliography Committee, Pictorial Committee and Business Committee Newsletters.

Other Relevant Experience: Freelance writer, specializing in baseball books. Baseball articles published in *Baseball America*, *Elysian Fields Quarterly*, *Nine*, *BookPage*, *Bookreporter.com*, *American Book Review*, *Verbatim*, *The Mystery Review*, *American History*, *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, and *Mental Floss*, among others. Statistical Reporter for STATS; Book Columnist, Purebaseball.com; Movie Reviewer, Baseballspot.org.

Education: MS, Television and Radio Arts, Brooklyn College, Brooklyn NY, 1980; BA, *cum laude*, Television and Radio Arts, Brooklyn College, Brooklyn NY, 1978.

Occupation: Public Relations consultant; Freelance writer

#### Candidate Statement

I am proud to be a member of SABR. But I'm ashamed to say it wasn't always so. In the early days, the organization had a reputation of being a collection of numbers-crunchers on a par with "Trekkies" in their obsession for the esoteric or finding new ways to interpret old information.

Over the years, however, SABR has grown in import and influence as well as size. The ranks of SABR members include respected history professors, economists, and writers as well as those who love the game just "because."

A look at the growing number of research committees indicates the increasing interest in heretofore unexamined aspects of the game. Baseball, as a cultural icon of America, has expanded into many disciplines: business, political science, architecture, literature and film, sociology. Because of these committees and our members' various levels of interest and expertise, we are sought out by the media (and not just the sports side) to give background on myriad levels. It would not be unusual to find the SABR name in an article about fine arts or in the business section.

It's disheartening to read interviews with modern players who know and care little about the history of their profession. It's gratifying to realize that when people *are* interested in learning more, they often seek out SABR to find the answers.

## For Director (unexpired term)

### Ed Luteran

Member Since: 1986  
E-mail: elloots@stargate.net

**SABR Experience:** Manager and moderator of the annual baseball trivia contest conducted at each summer's SABR national convention, (1993 to the present). Chairman of the Forbes Field Chapter in Pittsburgh (1991 to 1998). Chairman of the Pittsburgh SABR National Convention Committee, 1994 and 1995. Member of the SABR National Convention and Hotel Committee, 1996 to 1998. Member of the following SABR committees: Ballparks, Baseball Records, Nineteenth Century, Oral History. Convention Research Presenter: 1992 – Owen Wilson's 36 Triples in 1912; 1993 – Pitching a No Hitter and a One Hitter, Back to Back; Who says, "It's never over 'til it's over?" 1994 – Exposition Park in Pittsburgh; July 4, 1902

**Other Relevant Experience:** Judge of Elections, District 7, West Deer Township, PA; Chairman of the West Deer Township Leadership Council, West Deer Township, PA; Member of the West Deer Township Ambulance and EMS Board of Directors, West Deer Township, PA; Observer on the Parks and Recreation Board of Directors, West Deer Township, PA; President of the Parish Council, St. Victor Parish, Bairdford, PA; Vice-President of the Pittsburgh Pirates Diamond Club (The volunteer sales force of the Pirates); Internet Reporter/Scorekeeper/Stringer – Baseball Workshop (1993 to 1996) Totalsports (1997 to 2000) Major League Baseball/mlb.com (2001 to the Present); Research Presenter at PirateFest 2003 – The One-Hundredth Anniversary of the 1903 World Series.

**Education:** University of Notre Dame, B. A., Broadcast Journalism, 1963.

**Occupation:** Retired. Worked for 30 years with Aeroquip Corporation as a hydraulics trainer, product specialist and sales manager.

#### Candidate Statement

Having been a member of SABR for seventeen years, it has always been my goal to help others enjoy baseball as much as I do. That is why I have spent the past eleven years serving as both manager and moderator of the national convention's annual trivia contest. For me, resounding cheers of joy and excitement from others, both participants and onlookers, have offset the enormous workload of compiling approximately 500 annual questions. That has been my reward. For others, hopefully, a further enjoyment of the game.

As a member of the Board, it will be my goal to continue finding ways for assisting the membership to enjoy the "game," to enjoy SABR, and to enjoy their fellow members. Most of us acknowledge that the "politics of difference" between major league baseball's labor and management teams has put the "game" in a precarious condition. Many fans are turning their backs on what was the "national pastime." We must never allow similar "political differences" to infect SABR causing members to disgustedly walk away.

There will always be differences among people, but the resolution of those differences must be aimed at improving the SABR organization and not enhancing somebody's personal pride.

There are additional ways for the membership to increasingly enjoy the game and each other. For instance, I'd like to establish spring training junkets for the membership, in-season ballpark journeys, trips to the Arizona Fall League and building and improving relationships with local professional teams. These are ways to bring us together and tighten our SABR relationships.

We must preach our gospel to those who have yet to hear us. We must reach out to fans in high school and college. And, those already in SABR, we must keep.

### Dan Ross

Member Since: 1992  
E-mail: DanRoss@uapress.ua.edu (office)  
djross@BellSouth.net (home)

**SABR Experience:** Member, Negro Leagues, 19th Century, Minor League committees.

**Other Relevant Experience:** Former Little League and Girls Softball coach; former player, National Adult Baseball League (one season was sufficient); member, North American Society for Sport History; editor for sports history at the University of Nebraska Press, 1989-2001

**Education:** A.B., Hamilton College, 1966; M.A. (History), University of Florida, 1969

**Occupation:** Publisher (Director & Editor-in-Chief, University of Alabama Press)

#### Candidate Statement

What I hope I could contribute to SABR would be experience in serious, non-profit publishing at four university presses since 1976, where I have worked in production, design, marketing, editorial, and administration. In the 1990s I became the editor for sports history at the University of Nebraska Press, and sponsored the publication of more than 50 titles in baseball history, original or reprints. During that period the UNP and SABR agreed that UNP would provide fulfillment services for SABR, an agreement that I trust remains mutually beneficial. Membership in SABR and remarkably learned and generous members have reignited my own research interests, and I am immersed in research on the Western League's inaugural 1886 season. I like to think I therefore understand sports research and its collection, preservation, and dissemination. SABR has a proud history of publications, and I would hope to help as they grow and develop.

I would like to assist the Society in developing mutually productive relationships with other organizations and publications for dialog and shared efforts, and would urge the Society to continue to take a position of leadership in the creation and establishment of major research and preservation efforts, both those emerging within SABR and those originating elsewhere. To achieve this end, I believe that top down impositions would not be the best model, but that the research committees already in place should be encouraged to continue to identify the most pressing issues and problems they face in the collection, organization, preservation, or publication of research. The committees would work with Board to identify the best way to shape and make available the individual production of SABR researchers, through its own resources or in beneficial joint efforts with other organizations. In short, I would strive to find reasonable and efficient ways to unite the tremendous research productivity of SABR members into innovative new databases, research collections, and reference materials. As always the best ideas will well up from the membership, and the Board then serve as a means of bringing them to fruition.

### Anthony Salazar

Member since: 1998  
Email: salazar8017@yahoo.com

**SABR Experience:** Active member of the Northwest SABR chapter; have given numerous presentations; committee memberships include: Latin American, Minor League and Business of Baseball; have written and edited "The Farm Report," a business section to the Business of Baseball committee newsletter, *Outside the Lines*; participated in and promoted SABR in booth at 2001 All-Star Game; have written articles for SABR publications; organized and facilitated panel discussion at 2002 SABR Boston convention.

**Other Relevant Experience:** Marketing and public relations executive for Internet site devoted to news and information on Latinos in baseball; author of many articles on Latinos in baseball; writer and co-producer for documentary on Latinos in baseball; consultant to Latino baseball museum, national trading card company, and major league ball club; previous board member and editor of Seattle-area historical society; author of numerous articles.

**Education:** BA - American Urban History, University of California, Santa Barbara, 1988. MA - American Social History, University of Oregon, 1991.

**Occupation:** Marketing and public relations executive; writer.

#### Candidate Statement:

First and foremost, I am a baseball fan. Like many of you, I have followed baseball most of my life. I went to Dodger games as a kid, and was fortunate enough to attend many games at Candlestick Park and the Oakland Coliseum a few years later. Since 1993, I have been a fan of the Seattle Mariners from the Kingdome to Safeco Field.

As an historian, I appreciate the research component SABR offers its members. Since joining SABR in 1998, the dissemination of baseball has provided opportunities to share a mutual interest with those members I know personally, and those I have met online. Clearly, folks I meet value the organization, and wish to see it succeed for decades to come.

I am seeking a position as director because I believe the SABR board has a responsibility to steward the organization for the sake of its extensive membership. I have had the opportunity to speak with a number of members and hear what they feel are challenges the organizations faces right now and in the future. SABR has come a long way in its history, and I am sure that each of you appreciates that fact. The question is: how do we move forward in not only sustaining SABR as a premier research organization, but creating a group with vision and high-visibility.

This is accomplished through strong and effective leadership and skills to look for win/win situations that preserve the organization's integrity while minimizing costs. We can continue to build SABR as a robust organization that is able to attract new members and sustain current members. As director, I would like to create programs that do just that. I believe we can increase membership, we can increase our visibility, and we can increase our technological components without sacrificing traditional means of communication. These goals are reachable.

I ask that you put your faith in me and my abilities to help SABR remain an organization we can all continue to be proud of. Thank you.

## ***For Director (unexpired term)***

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### ***Al Yellon***

Member Since: 1983  
E-mail: ayellon@interaccess.com

SABR Experience: Member of Spring Training Committee since its formation

Other Relevant Experience: Member of two boards of the Directors Guild of America: Chicago Coordinating Committee (since 1984) and Eastern Directors Council (since 1999)

Education: B.A. in political science, Colgate University, 1978; M.A. in radio/TV/film, Northwestern University, 1980

Occupation: Television director, WLS-TV (ABC) Chicago

#### **Candidate Statement**

I'm a 20-year SABR member and have written several articles for Society publications; contributed the Bottom-of-the-Heap Awards and my all-time standings to the Research Exchange each year, maintain a SABR-oriented page on my website; and participate frequently on SABR-L.

Two years ago I ran for office and wrote a candidate statement. In re-reading it, I find that it's still relevant, so I repeat it here, with some minor modifications, because two years later, I still feel the same way.

Many researchers wouldn't dream of researching any other way than the old-fashioned way: sifting through libraries, poring over microfilm, writing everything on a typewriter or even in long-hand and seeing the printed word in a book or journal. But today, the Internet is where so much new and exciting research and publication (yes, it is publication – look at the proliferation of weblogs, or as they are more commonly called, blogs, which are nothing more than individuals self-publishing their own thoughts) is occurring.

This is where SABR might be left behind. Instead of embracing this new technology, we get bogged down in debates on our e-mail lists about where the proper place to discuss certain issues is. To my mind, this is silly. We need to be more open, not less so.

As a board member, I would seek to increase SABR's Internet presence, including, as I have said, an even further expanded website, more rather than fewer posting boards open to all, encouraging of e-mail communications and anything else we can do to get our name both recognized and respected in cyberspace. I believe we have begun to do so, with the revised and expanded website, and I applaud those who have gone to great effort to create this site. It's a great first step. Let's continue to expand on this.

Just as major league baseball is concerned about this, so am I: with the Web fast becoming the main link for human communication, young people are flocking away from the means that SABR has long used. We must become part of it, embrace it, or risk losing future generations.

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**Deadline for votes to be received is June 2, 2003**

## For Director

### Ed Goldstein

Member Since: 1979  
E-mail: kyyankee7@aol.com

SABR Experience: Founding member Allan Roth (Los Angeles) Chapter of SABR; Secretary of Allan Roth Chapter 1990 - 1992

Other Relevant Experience: Contributor to *Baseball Research Journal* 1989 and 1990; Contributor to *SABR Review of Books* 1988, 1989, and 1990; Assisted in research for SABR Biographical Committee; Contributed articles to other Baseball hobby and literary publications; Attended 17 National SABR Conventions and numerous regional meetings, making presentations at the latter; Member of national Trivia team Champions, 1985 and 1986.

Education: Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology, Brooklyn College, City University of New York; Master of Science, Administration, California State University, Dominguez Hills.

Occupation: Computer Programmer Analyst, Vermont American Corporation, Louisville, KY.

#### Candidate Statement

I would like to begin by saying that by serving on the SABR board I would be repaying a debt of over 20 years. I joined SABR almost serendipitously, learning about it from a few lines in the *Sporting News* in 1979. I remember sending a letter to Bob Davids soon after joining, thanking him for creating in reality something I felt I had belonged to all my life. I would like now to be able to help guide this organization to which Bob and so many others gave their lives and love.

Like many others that have sought office in the Society, I joined as student of the game, interested in researching it and sharing in the research of others. As time has passed, the research aspect of the Society, whether in fact, or in perception, has seemed to diminish. Research presentations at the National Convention have taken a back seat to outings and tours, and committees are more often embroiled in their internal politics than in the dissemination of their findings.

My objective in serving SABR would be to make every attempt to emphasize the importance of supporting relevant new research and, perhaps more importantly, making that research available and accessible to the average, and younger, person interested in baseball. SABR seems now to exist, to the extent it does at all, in the mind of the average fan as a haven for incomprehensible statistics wizards. Those of us who have gained a world of knowledge from our association with SABR know it represents a great deal more, a virtually limitless trove of facts, legends and lore that not only impact the small world of the game, but support the social history of our nation's culture. By successfully sharing this knowledge on a broader scale, we would far better serve the original vision for which SABR was founded.

I hope that you entrust me with the task of accomplishing these aims.

### Norman Macht

Member since: 1985  
E-mail: loispn@dmv.com

SABR Experience: Treasurer 1992-95; Secretary 1996-97; Director 1999-present; Chairman, National Convention Committee for Milwaukee/Chicago and Boston conventions; Founding chairman, Oral History Committee; Chairman, Baltimore Baseball Weekend, 1998-2000; Member: Deadball, Scouts, BioProject, Oral History Committees; Member, Administrative Task Forces, 1997 & 2001; Contributor, proofreader, *The National Pastime* and *Baseball Research Journal*; Co-author with Jack Kavanagh, SABR publication *Uncle Robbie*.

Education: PhD, U. of Chicago; MA, U of California, Sonoma

Occupation: Writer/Book packager

#### Candidate Statement

I run on my record and my platform.

##### Record:

At a time when six of the eight officers and directors have been on the Board two years or less, experience and institutional memory may have particular value.

I support technology development to improve office management and enhance research activity.

I oppose the substitution of web publishing for our traditional print publications.

I oppose the raising of convention registration fees to produce more operating revenue at the expense of the members who attend conventions.

I don't believe in growth for growth's sake. Spending money to promote SABR to attract new members is not a priority for me.

(See answers to the candidates' questions.)

##### Platform:

With limited resources, we can't do everything. There are things we must do, things we'd like to do. What is most worth using our funds for?

These are my priorities:

1. Member services. If we don't adequately staff and equip our office, everything else suffers. This includes technology that enhances the efficiency and economy of providing those services.

2. Three annual publications; a fourth if money and worthwhile material are available. In a 1996 survey, 97 percent rated publications as a Very Important part of their membership. Asked if they would enjoy TNP or BRJ more if they were reserved for serious research only and contained no reminiscences, verse, etc., 84 percent said No.

3. Website improvement as a research and archival tool, encouraging more researchers and better publications. Relatively few members are active researchers, but all are readers of the results of those researchers' efforts.

4. Youth outreach (including college history departments), fundraising, membership growth.

With every SABR Board, unpredictable situations arise for which there may be no right answers, only imperfect options. These are judgment calls. Honest differences of opinion occur among Board members and SABR members. In the end, however, when we leave a meeting, we remain united in the goal of working toward what's best for SABR, and how best to fulfill its mission and serve its membership.

### Ted Turocy

Member Since: 1994  
E-mail: turocy@econ.tamu.edu

SABR Experience: Moderator, SABR-L, and member of the Internet Committee Core, June 1999 through October 2000. Author of SABR-L list policy and guidelines (Appendix 18 of SABR Policy Manual). Charter member of Internet Committee; member of Business of Baseball, Science of Baseball, and Statistical Analysis committees.

Other Relevant Experience: Varsity letterman outfielder, Caltech baseball. Active contributor to Retrosheet since 1997. Stringer, Total Sports 1998-2000; mib.com, 2001-present.

Education: B.S. with Honors, Engineering, Economics, California Institute of Technology, 1994. PhD., Managerial Economics and Decision Sciences, Northwestern University, 2001.

Occupation: Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Texas A&M University (game theory, experimental and computational economics)

#### Candidate Statement

Over the next four years, I hope to see SABR develop further as an active community and a source of quality publications.

A great strength of SABR is the diversity of interests and approaches of its membership. In current terms, we are an "interdisciplinary" or "multidisciplinary" organization. This diversity is visible in the variety of active research committees, by the content of our publications, and the range of topics discussed daily on SABR-L. As the cost of communication has decreased, SABR has the opportunity to continue on the path of nurturing a community of SABRen who want to know more about the game, both through their own research and through learning from others. Taking part in a vibrant and varied community of this type may be the most attractive benefit of SABR membership, and this community may also be our best advertisement.

Our traditional publications program is and will be the foundation of SABR's research dissemination efforts. The size and quality of our publications program is a priority, with a particular emphasis on publishing as much original research as possible. For publishing original book-length products, this commitment will involve the investment of both time and monetary cost, but with the result of high-quality output bearing the SABR name. In addition, we should work to open up new channels for research distribution. This will involve the development of electronic media, as well as fostering awareness in the baseball community at large of the many and varied research projects of our members.

We owe a great debt to all those SABR members who have brought this research community to this point where we stand today, both by their diligent research efforts and through service as officers of the Society. My stint as SABR-L moderator gave me the chance to contribute in a small way to this process. As director, I would have the honor of building on this foundation developed over the last three decades.

**SABR has traditionally wrestled with the issues of being better-known and increasing the size of the organization. Do you believe that these should be priorities for SABR? How do you envision the use of marketing and publicity to meet these and/or other needs of the organization?**

### ***Dick Beverage***

Every organization wants to increase its membership, and SABR should be no exception. However, it shouldn't be necessary to devote a lot of SABR's scarce resources to do so. I subscribe to the Field of Dreams approach—if you build it, they will come. Our priority should be to build a better organization, one with exciting publications delivered on time to our membership and the interested outside world, a state of the art website with unique baseball information on it that you can't get anywhere else and an organizational culture which embraces both the dedicated researcher and the avid consumers of his product. If we're successful in achieving this goal, we'll create a base of satisfied members who will then serve as SABR ambassadors to the outside world. By word of mouth they will preach the SABR gospel far and wide and will bring the membership growth that we want.

It is not enough to become better known; it's more important to be known and respected. I think we can accomplish this goal by placing more emphasis on what we are—namely, the Society for American Baseball Research. We're not SABR—that's merely a handy acronym which is invariably followed by the question, "What's that?" We're a group of dedicated members who do baseball research. We publish that research; we consume it; we critique it, and we publicize it. We are guided by two principles—truth and accuracy. In short, we are a baseball think tank whose purpose is to set the record straight.

I think we must concentrate more on the Baseball Research portion of our name, because that's what we do. We should use our full name as often as possible and identify our members who have produced fine research with that full nomenclature, not merely as SABR members. There's a lot left unsaid with that abbreviated term, and we can't get our message across without clearly stating what we are. We also need to remind folks that we're a non-profit organization whenever we can. That lets the public know that we are serious about what we are doing, and our mission has been officially recognized as a worthy endeavor.

### ***Rodney Johnson***

Growth for the sake of growth is not a priority. However, there is no doubt that there are many individuals who are not SABR members who would benefit from membership and who could contribute to our organizational goals. Making them aware of the existence of SABR and presenting them with an accurate picture of who SABR is, should be a priority for the board, the executive director and the office staff. We must find cost-effective means to increase the public profile of SABR while at the same time maintaining organizational integrity consistent with the goals and mission of the society. SABR will grow in a natural, non-forced manner if we can just reach those who would be SABR members if only they knew about and understood what our organization is.

Recognition is earned, not created. I envision a day when the lead story on ESPN will quote from THE BASEBALL RESEARCH JOURNAL, the authority on baseball history. But to attain such recognition, SABR must strive for it. We must hold the content of our publications to a higher standard than we presently do. We must be more proactive in seeking and acquiring quality research. We must expand and improve the content of our web site to make it the first choice for baseball research. Of course this will not be an overnight process but an evolution. It is a process that should begin now in order to reach our full potential as an organization.

**The Constitution and Bylaws Revision Committee recently issued a draft report. What is your reaction to the report, particularly regarding the selection of officers and directors?**

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***Dick Beverage***

Revision of the Constitution and Bylaws is long overdue, and the committee should be commended for the excellent work that it has done. This is not solely the output of the five committee members as they took into account the views of many interested parties as they proceeded to the final document. The report truly reflects the consensus of a sizeable group of dedicated SABR members.

It is important to note that many of the committee's recommendations are necessary to make us compliant with Internal Revenue Service regulations and non-profit law in the state of Illinois, where SABR is incorporated. Additionally, the report uses language that is more precise in defining important elements of the Society, such as the rights and privileges of the membership, the duties of each officer and the definition of a research committee as compared to administrative and governance committees. The result is a document which further enhances SABR's image as a well run organization.

The proposed Constitution and Bylaws offers a change in the voting procedure from the current plurality method to a system of preferential voting. Preferential voting requires that the winning candidate receive an absolute majority of votes cast. I support the suggested procedure. Under this system the winning candidate will be the preferred choice of most of the voters. That's a desirable outcome of an election. The plurality method runs the risk of electing a minority candidate whose views are out of step with the voting majority.

The preferential voting method may seem complex to some voters, and admittedly, it may take the Tellers Committee a bit longer to count the ballots. This provision should not be a deal-breaker, however. Approval of the proposed new bylaws is important for the future well-being of the Society.

***Rodney Johnson***

A revised constitution and bylaws is being presented to the membership on this ballot. I cannot recommend its passage as presented. (This is based on the approved revision at the time of the deadline for candidate statements). Many aspects of the revision are needed mechanical and legal issues that should be addressed to bring our governing document into compliance with Illinois law (we are chartered in Illinois). Others include language to update technological advances such as the Internet. These are necessary, non-controversial issues. However, there are provisions that are included in the revision that should be addressed and voted on separately by the membership.

The revised document seeks to make the following changes to our existing Constitution and Bylaws;

- 1) Eliminate term limits for directors and officers.
- 2) Change the length of officers and directors terms.
- 3) Fundamentally change the way that we elect officers.

I asked that the revised bylaws be put on the ballot with these items intact as they appear in our current document with the option of putting the three listed changes on next year's ballot as amendments. In that way, members would have the option of voting yes or no on each individual change instead of being given an all-or-nothing choice. The majority of the board disagreed and so we are left with the choice of approving the entire document including these controversial provisions that would substantially change the way we select our officers. The preferential voting system is rife with pitfalls. We should continue to have one member; one vote; one winner.

The existing bylaws and their amendments were approved by 2/3 of the voting membership and have evolved over time. To be given only one choice, yes or no, without options is simply wrong.

In summation, members should have the opportunity to make individual choices on the above proposals instead of getting a take-it-or-leave-it proposition. Join me in voting no on this proposition.

**SABR has traditionally wrestled with the issues of being better-known and increasing the size of the organization. Do you believe that these should be priorities for SABR? How do you envision the use of marketing and publicity to meet these and/or other needs of the organization?**

### **Bo Carter**

I think SABR can exist in both an all-comers' world and in a specialized group setting with SABR-matricians. The key is organizing set committees as in past years by interest (statistical analysis, disputed previous stats' registry, college baseball, etc.), letting chairs and co-chairs "do their things," and then having another subset of members who simply enjoy the camaraderie of "hot stove" and various SABR meetings. An increase in membership and emphasis on recruitment would not inhibit anyone from the "true" SABR spirit, and it also would serve to keep dues to an absolute minimum and assist in keeping existing awards' programs. SABR also has an opportunity, hopefully in an improving economy, to capitalize on corporate sponsorships and to enhance our relationships with such related organizations as the University of Nebraska Press. These new revenue streams will assist in making the national convention and other key SABR functions the highest in quality.

### **Dan Ginsburg**

A few years ago, SABR undertook a well meaning but misguided effort to increase our size and profile. This effort was a failure, as similar past efforts have been. The result was large budget deficits, and many internal problems. I hope that we will not repeat this mistake.

I believe that the priority for SABR must be to fulfill our mission to foster the research and dissemination of the history and record of baseball. We can best accomplish this by meeting the research needs of our members, and putting out excellent publications. Our focus and resources should be concentrated on these efforts, not attempting to build the awareness and presence of SABR as an organization or a brand.

Of course, we will always need to attract some new members to replace those who leave the society, and sometimes publicity can be helpful in this regard. However, any marketing efforts undertaken by SABR should be inexpensive and highly targeted. The best source of new members is word of mouth from our current members, and if we can make SABR an even more enjoyable and rewarding experience for members we will continue to attract new people to the society.

Some will argue that there are potential members who have not joined SABR because they do not know who we are, and this is undoubtedly true. However, the cost of trying to reach these few thousand people in a country of over 80 million households is prohibitive.

The success of SABR should be measured by our success in fulfilling our mission, not by how many members we have.

### **Ron Kaplan**

I don't see the two issues as necessarily linked.

What is SABR's focus? It says it right on the home page of the website: "The Society's mission is to foster the study of baseball, to assist in developing and maintaining the history of the game, to facilitate the dissemination of baseball research, to stimulate interest in baseball, and to safeguard the proprietary interests of its members' research efforts."

I do not believe that actively seeking to increase the membership should be a goal for SABR. Rather we should continue to strive to be the source for anyone seeking information about certain historical and statistical aspects of the game. Major League Baseball is not geared to assist in these areas and the Baseball Hall of Fame, although the repository of much information on the game, is not unlimited in its ability to disseminate information.

Fortunately, SABR has been increasing in recognition since its inception. The collective wealth of information held by its members has gone a long way in raising awareness about SABR. The organization is frequently quoted by the media when it comes to issues deep background on articles and stories. Several of our members are widely recognized as experts in their particular niches and are sought out for film and television documentaries. One only has to glance at the shelves in their local bookstores to find titles written by SABRen.

These are the issues that should be used to "market" the SABR name to the media: that its members are extremely knowledgeable and accessible. This, in turn, will increase our visibility which could, in turn, attract potential members. But one problem I have found after working for over 20 years in public relations is that smaller fish get short shrift: *The New York Times* is often giving preferential treatment over the small-town weekly and I think this is a mistake. You never know where a useful contact will come from. Each entity deserves the same respect.

We should concentrate on our mission, knowing that, to paraphrase a familiar quote, "if we build it, they will come."

### **Ed Luteran**

It seems certain to me that the organization will grow, as more people become aware of it. And, while it may seem strange to some of our members, there are a lot of folks who have yet to hear of SABR. I spent a recent weekend speaking to over 500 people attending PirateFest in Pittsburgh about the 1903 World Series while also proclaiming the joys of SABR. I distributed membership applications following each presentation and most people told me they were unaware of SABR. Thusly, we still have a long way to go and many hills to conquer.

How do we use our marketing and publicity strategies to get there? Maybe, it is time for a little different approach from the past. And, let's face it, the game of big league baseball needs fans, friends and supporters, more than ever. Unless, I am wrong, SABR is the largest fan-based baseball organization in the world. SABR is an independent organization with no official ties to the game. SABR has plenty of members with tons of talent and worldly, business experiences. Many of us have contacts with key baseball officials. Now is the time to explore those contacts. We need to sit down with key baseball officials and determine what, if anything, SABR can do to help them and the game. I feel confident SABR can teach, preach and sell baseball to the ordinary fan far better than they do.

We are a huge work force ready to go. It is obvious to me that baseball officials should be willing to listen to us and explore open possibilities. This is where our marketing and publicity efforts should be directed over the next several years. We need to determine if an alliance is possible. It could be beneficial to both parties. If we can help grow the game of baseball, we will certainly grow the SABR organization.

**SABR has traditionally wrestled with the issues of being better-known and increasing the size of the organization. Do you believe that these should be priorities for SABR? How do you envision the use of marketing and publicity to meet these and/or other needs of the organization?**

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### **Dan Ross**

I believe it is only natural for SABR to seek to grow, as there are certainly many prospective members who would benefit from and provide benefits to the organization. Not only would additional members bring their skills and interests to the Society, they would furnish us with economies of scale that would enhance all the benefits of membership. We should not delude ourselves that because there are millions of baseball fans, that therefore there are millions of potential SABR members. Yet it is very likely that there are significant numbers to be found among the many readers of serious baseball and sports literature: *Baseball America*, *Sports Illustrated*, *Elysian Fields Quarterly*, *Nine*, *Journal of Sports History*, *International Journal of Sport History*, and the burgeoning 'readership' of the shifting panoply of sports-related websites. A career in publishing leads me to believe that there are many likely members among those who enjoy reading informed commentary on baseball. That was my own trajectory into SABR. My research interests developed when I was infected by the enthusiasm and generosity of the members. Within reasonable budget constraints a targeted plan to present SABR membership as an attractive option for the readers of responsible publications and visitors to selected websites would be well worth the effort. And why shouldn't we trumpet the virtues of SABR to the baseball world? We're proud of it, aren't we?

### **Anthony Salazar**

SABR should always keep in mind that attracting new members and retaining current members is of paramount importance. There are many creative avenues to utilize smart marketing and publicity. The organization, though, must be serious about pursuing these means of advertising.

SABR must use creative means of attracting positive attention. While it is important to continue to advertise in traditional publications such as *Baseball America* and *Sports Weekly*, advertising in traditional baseball web sites should be considered as well. Relationships with SABR Bulletin sponsors should be leveraged to increase visibility in other publications. Also, regional chapters should consider developing ties to baseball writers of their hometown newspapers. This would enable the writer to refer to a specific baseball expert within SABR, thereby increasing SABR's visibility.

Establishing rapport with individual major league and minor league clubs should be explored. Clubs usually hold their FanFests in mid-Winter. I would put forth that each SABR regional chapter, whether in a small market or large market, should seek out their respective hometown team to participate in booths at team FanFests. The only way to reach baseball fans is to be in their line of sight. Events such as FanFest will help to generate new memberships and foster better relationships with these hometown teams. I would put into place a 10-point plan to capitalize on this exposure. I believe we will see a positive return on our investment.

Target marketing should also be considered. As a Latino baseball marketing consultant, I would advocate creating a specialized publicity campaign geared at the Latino baseball community. Not only are Latinos prominent in the majors and minors, the general Latino population has just reached over 37 million in this country. According to a recent poll, Latino interest in baseball has increased significantly over the past several years. Major League Baseball has ramped its efforts to reach Latino fans. It's time for SABR to take a pro-active step forward and embrace this demographic as well.

### **Al Yellon**

One of the things that I think SABR hasn't done that well is get the word out. We have a new website, true, and we are beginning to do things such as the trivia contest that was recently hosted by SABR at the Baltimore Orioles fan convention – which I understand was a great success, and got the word out about our organization in a positive and fun way. We need to do more things like this.

There are still many baseball fans – serious ones, who are interested in the history of our game, and will, if they don't research themselves, be consumers of our research, who don't know about SABR. I recently talked to one such person and got him to join up.

Having booths at more ballclubs' fan conventions, or getting involved in their trivia contests at such events, is one way of promoting us. Over 15,000 people attend the Cubs Convention in Chicago every year. That would be a terrific place to promote our organization.

No, I am not suggesting we become another fan club. Far from it, I don't want people who have no sense of the history of our game in SABR – they would only serve to dilute our message, and many of those people wouldn't even be interested in reading our publications, much less do research.

But at the same time, I think there are people out there who haven't gotten our message. For them we need to get the word out, whether it be by conventions, by advertising in baseball-related media, by getting our members with expertise to appear on radio and TV talk shows, or write on websites (and when they do, they should **always** identify themselves as SABR members).

This way, we can increase our membership to reach **all** of the people who are interested in what SABR does, not just the 6,000 or so who have been our membership through the last 20 years or so.

**As a board member, what balance would you seek to strike between those who want to move member services, newsletters and some publications onto the web and those who want to maintain the traditional services SABR has provided its membership?**

### **Bo Carter**

My position would be to create a balance of the net-based information for those who have 24-hour internet access and to distribute information in hard copy to several older members who keep those copies on file or do not have net access. I also would suggest a brief membership survey with 8-10 questions about usage of SABR material and access via snail mail or the internet. This survey also would inquire about the possibility of PDF versions of SABR quarterly articles or DVD formatted books or permissible videos, and I would be glad to work with a committee to explore some of these possibilities.

### **Dan Ginsburg**

SABR has limited resources. Based on our track record and the realities of the business environment, our chances of obtaining significant outside funding are extremely remote. Therefore, the key job of the executive director and the board is to find the best way to deliver the maximum benefit to SABR members in an efficient and cost-effective manner.

I feel that the majority of our members believe that our publications are the key to SABR. Therefore, I believe that quality publications must be our first priority. Today, printed publications are the preferred way to disseminate books or journals. This may change in the future, but until it does I strongly believe that our publications program should be print based.

At the same time, at least 70% of SABR members have internet access. Shorter messages, such as SABR news and upcoming regional meetings, and reference materials such as the membership directory and research databases, are ideal for the internet. The cost effectiveness of electronic communications in these areas enables us to offer more tools, more information, and more timely news to our members via the web site and e-mail. Of course, the staff must continue to assure that those members without internet access who wish to be kept informed are still "in the loop."

I was part of the decision to shift the membership directory and some SABR news content to the web site. I believe that this will allow us to operate more efficiently, and ultimately deliver more value to members by focusing our resources on publications and research tools.

### **Ron Kaplan**

The easiest thing to do would be to ask via a "check box" on membership and renewal forms, how members would like to receive their services and materials.

Since the cost of delivering them on-line is theoretically the same for one person as it is for thousands, using the web would not impose a substantial financial burden on the organization.

One of the assumptions in this age of technology, however, is that everyone has his or her own home computer and is connected to the Internet. It puts those without such facilities at a disadvantage.

Beyond that, even those who do have access to the web might prefer to receive these services and publications "the old fashioned way." I might go so far as to say that most SABR members have an affinity for tradition, as evidence in their interests in the history of the game. By extension, I believe they appreciate the tactile nature of materials on paper.

We must remember, too, that having the ability to post materials to the web is different from doing it well. Too many web pages are drab and uninteresting. The object of putting information on the web is to use it to its best capabilities: well-designed pages, incorporating graphics and multimedia, are sure to maintain the interest of current members and help attract new ones.

The short answer, therefore, is "do both."

### **Ed Luteran**

Tell me where I am wrong. Moving many of our services to the web saves money. Saving money means membership fees can remain stable and not out-of-line. Keeping those fees stable and in-line opens the door more widely to increased membership and growth. Sure, there are those in SABR not on the web. Sure, there are those in SABR not interested in change of this sort or any sort at all. But, to me, it appears inevitable that we must move to the web eventually for economic reasons.

It is up to SABR officials to know exact numbers. How many are on the web and how many are not? It is important for SABR officials to determine the costs of handling the needs of web members as well as those who are not. The same officials must determine a time when the one set of costs overrides the other and, then, establish a date for when most member services will be handled over the web. That date must be publicized again and again. A timeline and a game plan must be announced for the entire membership to evaluate. Opinions should be sought from the membership for review.

Obviously, some will never be pleased with the web services approach, and an alternative plan and membership fee may be necessary for them. But, I have to believe that within the next five to ten years everybody will be on the web and this discussion will be unnecessary.

But, a switch of this magnitude must be handled carefully and with plenty of time for adjustment. A sudden switch, no matter the immediate cost savings, will be more harmful than helpful over the long term. Those opposed to the sudden switch will be somewhat hostile and, perhaps, unforgiving. They may walk away, and that is something nobody wants. So, care, caution and concern must underscore this entire process.

**As a board member, what balance would you seek to strike between those who want to move member services, newsletters and some publications onto the web and those who want to maintain the traditional services SABR has provided its membership?**

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**Dan Ross**

My response would be to determine why it is that these options are seen as mutually exclusive. True, fiscal restraints do indicate that we can't do everything we want, but that is always true. My instinct is to relate this issue to my experience in publishing where for years there has been a perceived tension between electronic publishing and traditional print formats. After years of fear and wrangling, it seems we are settling into a world where both will do just fine. It is important to ensure that there is a print archive and to serve members who prefer to read traditional print-based material (I am one) and it is just as important to recognize that there are many who now prefer to access many kinds of information online rather than through their mailbox. It is clear we must accommodate ourselves to the electronic world—many projects SABR (and its committees) might undertake belong on the web, as such databases can be constantly updated and corrected. I am sure the Bibliography Committee, for example, has a lot of talent and experience that could inform this discussion. I don't see this as an either/or question. The fiscal consequences of equipment, data conversion and storage have to be faced and responsible choices made, but as more and more material is created online the delivery of electronic material becomes easier and less costly.

**Anthony Salazar**

We all know that there are rising costs associated with producing various SABR publications that range from printer fees to postage. Unfortunately, these costs will, more than likely, keep rising. I'm a traditionalist as much as the next member, and enjoy my paper publications. The grim reality is that these items are expensive to produce and the SABR budget can be stretched only so far. So, how to accommodate the needs of our members, without raising membership dues.

Regarding SABR publications, I would suggest that a referendum take place at the convention, where members vote on the type of production they would prefer. Either those wanting paper publications, or those preferring their journals on a CD. Production of the compact disc may prove substantially inexpensive, compared to printing of 8,000-plus paper publications.

I do not believe that placing publications online will be beneficial to the membership in the long run. For historical research, articles such as these would be better placed in a more effective means of archival storage such as a CD. I would work to convince members that these proposals described above will be cost effective, and should not come at the risk of raising annual dues.

Newsletter production should continue to be available online. The discontinuation of the paper product should come as a last resort to a budget crunch. The newsletter is a valuable means of communicating with SABR members, and provides recurring streams of advertising revenue. At some point, a careful analysis should be undertaken to review whether or not the newsletter has the ability to become self-sufficient based on the incoming advertising dollars.

It would be a shame to lose these paper publications for those who value them. If the bottom line can be improved, we should explore every option to secure a win/win solution.

**Al Yellon**

There is no doubt that we should maintain our journals and books just as they are. But at the same time, we should encourage both electronic research as well as electronic publication. Members who have websites should be encouraged to link theirs to the SABR site. I myself have a SABR page on my own site, not only linked but with information on how to join.

I realize that many people do not, even now, have Internet access, though the number of people who **do** have it is growing every day. So, there is no doubt that we must continue to offer newsletters, mailings, etc. by snail-mail for those people.

But for those who **do** have Internet access, we should offer, as do so many companies and organizations today, the option to take **all** of their SABR communications to electronics only. That would, I believe, in the long run, save SABR a tremendous amount of money on paper and postage, and could make the newsletter much more timely. Eventually, every SABR publication which has ever been printed should be Web-accessible, so that future generations of researchers can have this writing at the click of a mouse.

The new SABR website is a great step in the right direction, I believe; eventually, I think, voting for SABR offices could be conducted online—web security allows this for things such as corporate stockholder proxy voting, and there's no reason we couldn't also have this for SABR elections, with paper balloting also allowed.

Someday, and not too far off in the future, nearly everyone will not only have online access, but will want to use it as opposed to waiting for the postal employee to come to his/her door. I look forward to that day, but till then will support anyone who wants to get that letter from SABR.

**SABR has traditionally wrestled with the issues of being better-known and increasing the size of the organization. Do you believe that these should be priorities for SABR? How do you envision the use of marketing and publicity to meet these and/or other needs of the organization?**

## **Ed Goldstein**

The central question to be addressed in this issue is what does increased size bring to the organization? Certainly, an increased membership means a greater flow of money into the treasury in the form of dues, which then can be used by SABR to fund committees, publications, et al. But the lifeblood of a living organization is the active participation of its membership. Those of us who joined a SABR of less than 700 members may justly be proud of a membership 10 times larger, but it is still the same smaller number of members who are active researchers and a much smaller number still who will decide the outcome of this election. The Society will find, especially as dues increase, that the casual member will not be a long term one.

As the state of baseball research matures into a period where the major fields of study are well mined, the objective of SABR will lean more towards dissemination of its collective store of knowledge than that of supporting greater quantities of research. SABR certainly needs to publicize itself, and to educate the general public and Organized Baseball as to its potential for general benefit. I know from experience in my son's school that educators are always looking for a constructive outlet for their students' energies. What better course could SABR take than to ally itself with schools and other educational facilities around the country? It would simultaneously create great positive publicity for the Society, generate potential new members and serve to disseminate the labors of those who have worked so hard to generate the monumental trove of knowledge that SABR has established.

If we are to have a presence within Organized Baseball, I think the Minor Leagues present a more receptive atmosphere than the Majors. The Minor League ballpark would be much more receptive to a representative of SABR manning a table or having some other presence at a game, and the Minor League fan would be more apt to take time from the game to explore what SABR has to offer. We should explore this avenue of publicity and marketing as well.

## **Norman Macht**

No, they are not my priorities for SABR.

For at least five years, during the terms of three presidents, SABR's leadership urged our Executive Directors to seek outside sources of revenue from corporate sponsors and grants, through marketing and publicity, and to increase membership. Money was spent on marketing plans and advertising.

It didn't work.

As passionate as we are about who we are and what we do, most of the corporate world doesn't care.

As costs inevitably rise, it's time to turn inward, to look to ourselves, through dues, donations, possibly user fees, testamentary bequests, and volunteered hours for special projects, to do all the things we want to do: four annual publications, website improvement, archives (electronic and paper), new research projects.

The Baseball Index is a prime example of what can be accomplished by volunteers and donations. While efforts to secure grants failed, the dedicated leadership of Ted Hathaway and Andy McCue found ways to achieve their objective. The contributions of everyone working on that project are exemplary.

In a recent survey, one respondent wrote, "We should do (this)...we should do (that)..."etc. - all worthy ideas. But who is "we?" It's "us," all of us.

We have built an enormous store of information - historical, biographical, bibliographical, statistical, pictorial, oral. It grows daily. Its value lies in its accuracy and accessibility. What's the best way to store it all? What's the best way to make it available to the most people?

I'd rather spend SABR's time and money finding the answers to those questions than on marketing and publicity. Expanding membership among the media is one way to gain more exposure.

I'd rather spend our resources on servicing and satisfying our present members. It's worth more to retain a member than to recruit a new one. If we fulfill our mission, and maximize the value of belonging to SABR through our research and publications, we'll become better known by our work. And others of like mind will find us and join us.

## **Ted Turocy**

My favorite description of a SABR member is a person who has a strong interest in baseball, and wants to deepen his or her knowledge of the game itself, its history and culture, and its interaction with and role in society. When SABR members make the decision to join, they may not yet be active researchers. They are, however, potential researchers; every researcher gets started first by a desire to learn more. The best way to realize that potential is to be stimulated by and learn from a community of active and experienced researchers.

I feel confident that there are many who fit the description and are not members. So it seems likely that, in numerical terms, SABR could grow modestly in the coming years. In particular, there is a generation of younger adults, of my age and younger, whose energy and enthusiasm for baseball remains largely untapped by SABR. My love for baseball has been deeply enriched by my SABR experience; this potential group of members will also learn much from joining our community, as well as renewing in turn the vitality that has brought us where we are today.

We, and the research we do, are our own best advertisement. Therefore, dissemination of our research is the key to ensuring these potential researchers find us and are enticed to join. The website is a natural outlet; unlike any other medium, the website affords the opportunity to communicate who we are and what we do in a format entirely under our control. Complementing this should be a continued emphasis on publications, both within the Society, as well as external outlets. We best reach these potential members by showing off the variety of interests and projects we pursue.

In the end, SABR's success is not best measured against a standard of maximizing (or minimizing) its membership. In the end, the number that matters will be how many of those potential researchers, described above, who learn about SABR, choose to become members, and as a result convert their interest into original research.

**As a board member, what balance would you seek to strike between those who want to move member services, newsletters and some publications onto the web and those who want to maintain the traditional services SABR has provided its membership?**

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**Ed Goldstein**

I find myself with a foot in two worlds in trying to answer this question. As a computer professional I recognize the enormous potential for data storage and distribution that computerization and the Web provide. As a book collector I prize the tactile sensation of the printed word and the proactive energies of reading a book.

We must recognize that there are many who, no matter how electronically advanced, still prefer to get information in printed form. Further, anyone who has tried to read a great book off of a computer screen knows that it can often be physically painful to do so in a short time. I can't see that if the Society is going to be in the business of publishing information (and membership will drop precipitously if it stops) that we can avoid the costly process of producing journals and books. We must also recognize that there are those for whom any contact with a computer is anathema, and we cannot deny information to them.

That said, there is no greater provider of instant information than the Web. The recent expansion of SABR's website is a major contribution to the Society's mission. There is no better place for the Home Run Log, for instance, than the Web. I believe SABR is proceeding in the right direction with its Web efforts.

I can't see moving all out publications exclusively to the Web. We could, with some effort, give members the choice of receiving the Bulletin by mail, or accessing it exclusively on the Web. This would probably involve an email notification that the Bulletin was available. The BRJ can't go to the Web, nor could books. If we are looking to reduce publication expenditures, then we might look to eliminating the National Pastime, a publication that has never lived up to its original goal of providing SABR with a journal that the general public would purchase.

**Norman Macht**

What unites SABR members is stronger - and quieter - than what divides us. But, boy, are we diverse - in age, income, interests, occupations, technitude (a word I made up meaning technological aptitude and attitude, so I could use one word instead of four, since we're limited to 350).

There are no one-size-fits-all policies. If we grundle one member, we risk disgruntling another.

The job of the board is to implement the will of the members; I am more interested in knowing what you think than what I think. But what is the will of the members?

A recent sampling of members' views by the Executive Director evoked some responses like this:

"There seems to be a 'Let 'em eat cake' attitude to members who are not online."

How many members share this view? We don't really know. About 70 percent of us have e-mail addresses on file with the office. Some of our best, most active researchers don't.

Technology is a useful tool for management, information sharing, communication, archiving, and research. I support its development for those uses. But as long as a significant percentage of members cannot be reached by e-mail, and do not look at the website, it must not become the sole means of communicating with them. Those who do peruse the web or receive mass e-mailings from the office have an advantage; they get information sooner. But this information should not be exclusive to online members.

There is room for coexistence between the traditional and the new. We are looking at ways to cut printing and mailing costs for Bulletins and membership directories by offering choices. Those who want them printed could get them that way; those who are content with web access to Bulletins and directories could choose that option.

Publications are something else. I oppose counting anything published on the website as a member publication. If we are to have three or four publications a year, I will vote for all of them to be books in print.

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As the electronic medium has begun to mature, the strengths and weaknesses of electronic versus print media suggest that they are complementary tools. The forthcoming challenge will be to integrate the advantages afforded by electronic media into SABR's existing membership and publication programs.

Our print publications are an attractive benefit for many members, and will continue to be a centerpiece for the foreseeable future. It is attractive to begin offering some or all of the contents of our serial publications in electronic form; however, the cost structure of publishing suggests that it is unlikely an "electronic-only" membership option will be feasible in the near future. The electronic medium offers two opportunities to bolster the serial publications. Electronic storage and distribution of appendices, photos, data, and other materials relating to articles published in the BRJ and NP allows for deeper and more flexible presentation of research, especially when these cannot be included in the print edition due to space or other constraints. Additionally, the electronic medium makes it feasible to archive and give access to as-yet-unpublished materials, such as individual contributions to the Research Exchange, and papers and presentations given at the convention and chapter meetings. Many of these products of research are currently obscure or difficult to obtain, but can be brought to a wider audience using the newer technology.

Continued development of SABR as a technologically-savvy organization brings benefits to all members, regardless of individual involvement with electronic media. The "self-service" features now available on the website help to relieve some of the workload on the SABR office; electronic indices and online access to materials will have a similar effect. With the time and cost savings, membership benefits can be maintained and enhanced while keeping dues reasonable.

The electronic age has strengthened the fiber of the SABR community itself. On SABR-L, and in e-groups for research and regional committees, members share knowledge and camaraderie with other SABRen throughout the world. This is of particular value to geographically isolated "satellite" members of chapters, members who are not able to travel to SABR events, and members outside the United States.

# BY-LAW REVISION PROPOSAL

In 2002 the SABR Board established the SABR Constitution and Bylaws Revision Committee. This committee was charged with reviewing our current constitution and bylaws, and recommending changes both to assure that they conform to current Illinois law, and to generally update our procedures to better serve the needs of SABR in the 21st century. The committee consisted of chairman Doug Pappas, Evelyn Begley, Skip McAfee, Larry McCray, and John Ruoff.

The committee sought extensive input from membership on a wide variety of key issues. In addition to soliciting input via the Bulletin, conducting an open forum at the National Convention in Boston, the committee operated an e-group open to members that may be visited for a review of the extensive and ongoing discussion (<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SABRConstitution>), and posted announcements and discussion on other SABR e-groups and in the Bulletin. The result of the committee's work is presented here. It is a single document that replaces the existing two-document configuration.

For these new bylaws to be adopted, 2/3 of the voters must vote to approve them.

## Recommendation:

The Board strongly recommends a vote to approve.

Complete text of the new bylaws:

## SABR Constitution and By-Laws

### ARTICLE I. PREAMBLE

1.1. Name. The organization shall be known as the Society for American Baseball Research, Inc. and hereinafter shall be referred to as the "Society" or "SABR."

1.2. Objectives. The purpose of SABR is to foster the research and dissemination of the history and record of baseball. SABR shall carry out that mission through programs:

- 1) To encourage the study of baseball, past and present, as a significant athletic and social institution;
- 2) To encourage further research and literary efforts to establish the accurate historical record of baseball; and
- 3) To help disseminate educational, historical and research information about baseball.

### ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

2.1. Membership - Membership shall be open to any person or other entity, not otherwise disqualified under these Bylaws, having an interest in baseball research, statistics or history upon written or electronic application for membership and payment of dues.

2.2. Privileges of Membership - Every member shall be accorded the right, consistent with applicable law, the Articles of Incorporation, and these Bylaws, to vote, to run for SABR office, to serve on SABR committees and to participate in SABR programs. The Board of Directors shall determine other benefits of membership and may establish different categories of membership with differing levels of dues and benefits.

2.3. Membership Year - The Membership year shall be a 12-month period fixed by the Board of Directors.

2.4. Duration of Membership - Membership in SABR shall continue until terminated by failure to pay the annual dues within 90 days after the start of the Membership Year, death, resignation, or expulsion pursuant to Section 2.5. A member's resignation takes effect immediately upon its receipt and verification. Members shall continue to be liable to the Society for any indebtedness due on the termination of membership.

2.5. Suspension and Expulsion of Members - The Board of Directors or the membership, voting at the Annual Business Meeting, may suspend or expel a member upon determining that the member has failed to abide by a provision of these Bylaws or that the member has engaged in conduct materially or seriously prejudicial to the interests or purposes of SABR. Expulsion or suspension shall require a two-thirds vote by the Board of Directors or of the membership voting at the Annual Business Meeting. No vote to expel or suspend a Member shall be taken unless (a) written notice of the proposed suspension or expulsion and a copy of the charges pre-

ferred against such Member shall have been mailed to the Member, at the address given in the member's most recent membership application or any more recent address provided to the SABR office, at least 30 days prior to the date at which such proposed action shall be considered, and (2) the Member has been provided a reasonable opportunity to be heard orally or in writing. A Member suspended or expelled by the Board may appeal the decision to the next Annual Business Meeting of the Society, provided that if the suspension or expulsion is voted more than 45 days before the Annual Business Meeting, notice of intent to appeal is provided 30 days prior to the meeting. Overturning the decision to expel or suspend shall require a majority vote of the members present and voting. Any member expelled shall be ineligible to rejoin the Society for three years following his expulsion, unless the Board of Directors approves earlier readmission.

### ARTICLE III -- OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

3.1. Officers and Directors. SABR's elected officers shall consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, who along with four Directors shall collectively comprise the Board of Directors. All elected officers and directors shall have been individual members of the Society continuously for four years prior to taking office. No person may hold more than one seat on the SABR Board. Any incumbent officer or director elected or appointed to a second office or director's position shall be deemed to have resigned the first office immediately upon assuming the second position.

3.2. President. The duties of the President, who shall be elected in odd-numbered years to a two-year term, shall include:

- (a) Presiding over the annual business meeting and chairing the Board of Directors.
- (b) Working with the Executive Director to ensure that the organization maintains positive and productive relationships with media, funders, donors, and other organizations.
- (c) Signing contracts and letters of agreement approved by the Board of Directors. The President may delegate signatory power, as appropriate.
- (d) Ensuring that the Board of Directors and its members: 1) are aware of and fulfill their governance responsibilities; 2) comply with applicable laws and bylaws; 3) conduct board business effectively and efficiently; and 4) are accountable for their performance.
- (e) Such additional duties as may from time to time be assigned by the Board of Directors.
- (f) Except as otherwise provided by the Bylaws or explicitly delegated by the Board of Directors, the President shall have no greater authority than any other member of that body.

3.3. Vice President. The duties of the Vice President, who shall be elected in even-numbered years to a two-year term, shall include:

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- (a) Assuming all duties of the President in the absence of the President or in the event that the President is unable to accept or perform his or her responsibilities and duties.
- (b) Chairing the Chapter Development Committee and, in this capacity, submitting an annual written report to the membership.
- (c) Such additional duties as may from time to time be assigned by the Board of Directors.

3.4. Secretary. The duties of the Secretary, who starting in 2006 shall be elected to a three-year term, shall include:

- (a) Taking minutes at the annual meeting and at all Board of Directors meetings, distributing these minutes promptly to all Board members and making them available to the membership.
- (b) Maintaining and recording all changes in the policy manual.
- (c) Maintaining corporate files and records, either directly or by supervisory authority at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
- (d) Having the authority to certify the bylaws, resolutions of the members and Board of Directors and committees thereof, and other documents of the corporation as true and correct copies thereof.
- (e) Such additional duties as may from time to time be assigned by the Board of Directors.

3.5. Treasurer. The duties of the Treasurer, who starting in 2005 shall be elected to a three-year term, shall include:

- (a) Enforcing policies and procedures to ensure that SABR's assets are protected, and that SABR's financial practices comply with applicable laws and bylaws, as well as Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and other appropriate standards.
- (b) Ensuring that SABR's financial accounts and procedures are reviewed by an independent auditor, and that the auditor's report and recommendations are presented to the Board of Directors.
- (c) Working with the Executive Director to prepare an annual budget for the Board's approval which (1) represents the best possible current estimates of annual income and expenditures, and (2) links organizational income and expenditures to SABR's mission and priorities.
- (d) Advising the Board of Directors at each meeting, and the membership at the annual business meeting, of SABR's financial condition.
- (e) Monitoring and reviewing SABR's financial policies and procedures, and recommending an allocation of human and financial resources sufficient to meet these responsibilities.
- (f) Such additional duties as may from time to time be assigned by the Board of Directors.

Section 3.6. Directors. The four Directors, who starting in 2004 shall be elected to three-year terms, shall serve on the Board of Directors and perform such duties as may from time to time be assigned by the Board of Directors.

Section 3.7. Staffing. The Board of Directors shall hire an Executive Director, and may authorize the hiring of additional full- or part-time employees, contractors and/or consultants, to manage the Society.

- (a) The Executive Director has day-to-day responsibilities for the organization, including carrying out of the goals and policies established by the Board for the organization. The Executive Director shall report on the progress of the organization at all Board meetings, answer questions from the Board members, carry out duties as described in the job description, work with the Treasurer to prepare an annual budget, and carry out other duties as designated by the Board.
- (b) The Executive Director shall have hiring responsibility for all other staff, within budgetary and programmatic guidelines established by the Board of Directors and pursuant to personnel policies adopted by the Board of Directors, and authority to terminate all other staff subject to review by the Board of Directors pursuant to procedures which it shall establish.
- (c) Where these Bylaws say "employ," "hire" or "staff," those terms

shall also apply to contractual arrangements, consistent with Internal Revenue Services rules distinguishing contractors and employees and the Policy Manual, with persons or entities to implement the strategic goals and objectives of the Society.

- (d) The Board of Directors shall establish a job description for the Executive Director, which shall be a part of the Policy Manual.
- (e) Members of the Board of Directors of the Society shall be ineligible for employment in or with the Society within one year of completion of their term of office.
- (f) Any person employed as staff shall be ineligible to be elected to the Board of Directors until one year after the termination of their employment.

## ARTICLE IV -- BOARD OF DIRECTORS

4.1. Composition. The Board of Directors shall consist of eight elected, voting members: the President (who shall serve as chairperson), the Vice President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and four Directors.

4.2. Compensation. Members of the Board of Directors do not receive compensation for their services, except for reimbursement of their reasonable expenses.

4.3. Vacancies. If there is a vacancy on the Board of Directors at the time of the Annual Business Meeting, or if the winner of an election declines or is for any reason unable to serve, a replacement shall be elected at the Annual Business Meeting to serve until the next election, at which time the Members shall elect a replacement for the unexpired term. If a vacancy occurs on the Board of Directors for any reason at any other time, it shall be filled by two-thirds vote of the remaining members of the Board until the next election, at which time the Members shall elect a replacement for the unexpired term.

4.4. Removal of Officers - An elected officer for reasons of cause (such as medical incapacity or gross improprieties) may be judged by the Board of Directors as unsuitable for service as an officer of the Society. The Board of Directors by unanimous vote (excluding the officer in dispute and any other director having a material conflict of interest, who shall not cast a vote) may remove an elected officer from their elected office. An officer so removed shall remain a director unless removed pursuant to the Bylaws. Officers also may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the membership at the Annual Business Meeting or a special business meeting called for that purpose. The Board shall notify the Officer in question 30 days prior to the meeting and shall provide for a reasonable opportunity for defense. The vacancy created by the removal of an elected officer shall be filled in accordance with procedures in Section 4.3 of these Bylaws.

4.5. Removal of Directors. One or more of the directors may be removed, with or without cause. No director may be removed, except as follows:

- (1) A director may be removed by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting.
- (2) No director shall be removed at a meeting of members entitled to vote unless the written notice of such meeting is transmitted to all members entitled to vote on removal of directors. Such notice shall state that a purpose of the meeting is to vote upon the removal of one or more directors named in the notice. Only the named director or directors may be removed at such meeting, at which the director or directors shall have a reasonable opportunity to present a defense.

4.6. Authority and Responsibilities. The Board of Directors is the governing and policy-making body of the Society and shall have all the powers conferred on it by law, by the Articles of Incorporation and by these Bylaws, except as limited by these Bylaws.

4.7. Meetings of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall hold at least four regular meetings, open to the membership, during the year, including two in connection with the National Convention (one prior to

and one after the Annual Business Meeting). The time and place of the meetings shall be determined by the Board of Directors and notice shall be given to the membership at least thirty (30) days in advance. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or by twenty percent of the sitting members. Except as otherwise provided by these Bylaws, each sitting Board of Directors member shall be given notice of the time and place of the Special meeting by telephone or electronic mail at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance. The person or persons calling the Special meeting shall take reasonable efforts to notify the membership of the Special meeting. Notice of a meeting conspicuously posted on the Society's web site shall constitute notice to the membership. The Board of Directors shall report its actions to the membership.

4.8. Quorum and Voting. A quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors shall consist of five voting members. In the absence of a quorum, the Board shall not meet. If neither the President nor the Vice President is present at a meeting of the Board of Directors, the other members of the Board of Directors may elect a temporary presiding officer. A vote of a majority of Board members present shall be necessary for the transaction of any business unless otherwise specified in these Bylaws. Voting rights of a director shall not be delegated to another nor exercised by proxy.

4.9. Conflicts of Interest. The Board of Directors shall adopt and annually review a policy on conflicts of interest with respect to officers, directors, staff and others working for or on behalf of SABR which shall be part of the Policy Manual and which will be given in writing to each such person when they assume their position or when the policy changes. At a minimum, that policy will ensure that SABR and its officers, directors, and staff comply with all conflict of interest requirements of the Illinois General Not For Profit Corporation Act of 1986 (805 ILCS 105), as amended, and Internal Revenue Service regulations with respect to Excess Benefits Transfers as set out at 26 CFR Parts 53, 301, and 602, as amended.

4.10. Limitation on Individual Members' Authority. The Board of Directors manages and directs the affairs of the Society as a body. Except as provided in these Bylaws or explicitly authorized by resolution by the Board, no individual officer or member of the Board of Directors has authority to act on behalf of or bind the Society.

#### ARTICLE V -- ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

5.1. General. Administrative Committees shall be standing committees established to handle specific administrative needs and functions. All members of Administrative Committees must be members of the Society. The President shall be an ex officio (nonvoting) member of all Administrative Committees with the exception of the Nominating and Tellers Committees. Should a vacancy arise on an Administrative Committee, the Board of Directors shall appoint a replacement for the remainder of the unexpired term. Each Administrative Committee shall submit an annual written report.

##### 5.2. Nominating Committee.

5.2.1. The Nominating Committee shall consist of three members, including a Chairperson, all appointed by the Board of Directors for one-year terms. Members shall be appointed within 30 days after the Annual Business Meeting.

5.2.2. Members of the Nominating Committee must have been members of the Society for the four years prior to their appointment, and are ineligible to run for or hold SABR office while serving on the Committee.

5.2.3. The Nominating Committee is empowered to solicit nominations for SABR office and to formulate questions to be answered by the candidates, but it may not review or pass judgment on candidates' qualifications beyond establishing that they meet the constitutional criteria to hold the office for which they are running.

5.3. Tellers Committee. The Tellers Committee shall consist of three

members, including a Chairperson, all appointed by the Board of Directors to one-year terms. The Tellers Committee shall receive, validate, open and tally all ballots cast in Society elections in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Policy Manual, and shall report the election results to the Board of Directors. Members of the Tellers Committee are ineligible to run for or hold SABR office while serving on the Committee.

5.4. Audit Committee. The Audit Committee shall be chaired by a member of the Board of Directors other than the Treasurer, and shall in addition include as members the Treasurer, one other member of the Board of Directors and two other members of the Society, both of whom shall be appointed by the Board of Directors for one-year terms. In making such appointments, the Board of Directors shall give preference to members with meaningful accounting experience. The Audit Committee shall (a) recommend SABR's independent accountants and discuss their scope of work; (b) review the annual financial statements with the independent accountants; (c) audit and validate the expense reports of the executive board; (d) evaluate SABR's internal accounting and management controls; and (e) report its findings, including any minority report, annually to the membership at the Annual Business Meeting.

5.5. Chapter Development Committee. The Chapter Development Committee shall be chaired by the Vice President and shall consist of such additional members as are approved by the Board of Directors. It shall serve to foster and aid the growth of local and regional Chapters, and shall actively seek to encourage the establishment of additional local and regional Chapters.

5.6. Executive Committees. In addition to the committees described in these bylaws, a majority of the Board of Directors may create one or more board committees and appoint members of the Board of Directors or such other persons as the board designates, to serve on the committee or committees. Each committee shall have two or more members of the Board of Directors, a majority of its membership shall be members of the Board of Directors, and all committee members shall serve at the pleasure of the board. To the extent specified by the Board of Directors and insofar as allowed by Section 108.40(c) of the Illinois General Not For Profit Corporation Act of 1986 (805 ILCS 105), as amended, each committee may exercise the authority of the Board of Directors.

5.7. Advisory Committees. In addition to the committees described in these bylaws, a majority of the Board of Directors may create one or more advisory committees to advise the Board of Directors regarding specific aspects of SABR policy, and may appoint such persons as the Board designates to serve on such committees.

5.8. Ad Hoc Committees. Ad Hoc Committees shall be established by the Board of Directors to perform specific advisory functions for a specified period of time. The Board of Directors shall, by majority vote, appoint or reappoint members and chairpersons of Ad Hoc Committees.

#### ARTICLE VI -- RESEARCH COMMITTEES

6.1. Definition. A Research Committee is a group of SABR members organized to investigate specific baseball-related subjects, in accordance with guidelines established by the Board of Directors and in harmony with the Society's Bylaws. All members of SABR shall be eligible to serve on Research Committees, subject to such limitations as may be imposed by a particular Research Committee and approved by the Board of Directors.

6.2. Formation of Research Committees. The Board of Directors may approve the formation of a Research Committee on presentation of a petition from members of the Society in such form as the Board of Directors may prescribe.

6.3. Research Committee Governance. The Board of Directors shall prepare guidelines for the governance of Research Committees, which must

operate within the parameters set by the Board of Directors. Research Committees shall submit annual budgets and financial reports to the Board of Directors. The Chairperson of a Research Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors, which may remove the Chairperson at any time by majority vote.

6.4. Research Committee Activities. Each Research Committee shall be responsible for submitting an annual report of its activities to the Board of Directors. Research Committees may engage in other activities consistent with the guidelines set by the Board of Directors and applicable law; provided, however, that Research Committees may not incur debts or assume obligations in excess of the amount in their treasury without the prior express approval of the Board of Directors.

6.5. Dissolution of Research Committees. The Board of Directors may dissolve by majority vote a Research Committee which has ceased to function or which has violated these Bylaws, the governance guidelines provided in Section 6.3 or any provision of law governing SABR.

#### ARTICLE VII -- CHAPTERS

7.1. Definition of a Chapter. A Chapter is a group of SABR members within a defined geographical region, organized as an integral part of the Society in accordance with guidelines established by the Board of Directors and in harmony with the Society's Bylaws.

7.2. Formation of Chapters. The Board of Directors may approve the formation of a Chapter on the presentation of a petition signed by five or more members of the Society residing within the stated region. One Member shall be designated as the Chapter Liaison Officer, who shall report to the Board of Directors.

7.3. Chapter Governance. The Board of Directors shall prepare guidelines for the governance of Chapters, which must operate within the parameters set by the Board of Directors. Chapters shall annually submit financial information to the Board of Directors in a manner prescribed by the Board of Directors.

7.4. Chapter Activities. Chapters shall conduct meetings as prescribed by the Board of Directors. Chapters may engage in other activities consistent with the guidelines set by the Board of Directors and applicable law; provided, however, that Chapters may not incur debts or assume obligations in excess of the amount in their treasury without the prior express approval of the Board of Directors.

7.5. Dissolution of Chapters. The Board of Directors may dissolve by majority vote a Chapter which has ceased to function or which has violated these Bylaws, the governance guidelines provided in Section 7.3 or any provision of law governing SABR.

#### ARTICLE VIII -- MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

8.1. Annual Convention. The Board of Directors shall schedule an Annual Convention of the Society, to be held at a time and place designated by the Board.

8.2. Annual Business Meeting. An Annual Business Meeting of the Society, chaired by the President, shall be held during the Annual Convention at a time designated by the Board of Directors. The quorum at the Annual Business Meeting shall consist of fifty (50) Members.

8.3. During the Annual Convention and before the Annual Business Meeting, the membership shall receive written reports from the Executive Director, the Treasurer, the Audit Committee and all Research Committees.

8.4. At the Annual Business Meeting, the membership shall receive oral reports from the Executive Director, the Treasurer, the Tellers Committee and an oral report regarding SABR's publications program, and shall con-

duct any other business which may come before it.

8.5. Except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, votes taken at the Annual Business Meeting do not establish official policy for the Society. However, they may be used to place matters before the Board of Directors or to propose amendments to the Bylaws. All matters placed before the Board of Directors in this manner must be voted on by the Board of Directors within six months. All amendments proposed in this manner shall be voted on by the membership within six months.

8.6. No proposal to place a matter before the Board of Directors, and no proposed amendment to the Bylaws, may be presented at the Annual Business Meeting unless the text of the proposal has been made available in writing to all members attending the Annual Convention by the later of (a) 4 p.m. local time on the first day of the Annual Convention, or (b) 24 hours before the scheduled start of the Annual Business Meeting.

#### ARTICLE IX -- NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

9.1. Nominations for Elective Office. The Nominating Committee shall submit a list of candidates for each elective office to be filled. Paid employees of SABR and major vendors of service to SABR shall be ineligible to serve as officers at any time within one year of completion of their term of employment or contract. Members of the Nominating Committee may not be candidates for elective office while serving on the Committee.

9.2. Election Procedures. The annual election of officers and directors shall be by mail ballot or by such other means as the Board of Directors may provide. The ballot shall be sent to all members of the Society at least four months prior to the Annual Convention at which the newly elected officers are to begin their terms of office. The ballots shall be accompanied by information about each candidate and instructions for voting. All mail ballots shall be returned to the Society's offices and maintained, unopened, until the deadline for voting has passed. As soon as practicable after that deadline, the Tellers Committee shall tabulate the results. No interim results will be disclosed to any person until the Tellers Committee has completed its tabulation.

9.3. Voting Procedures and Tabulation.

9.3.1. Voting Procedures. The annual election of officers shall be by ballot cast by mail, or by such other means as the Board may authorize. For each office for which more than two candidates are running, the voter shall be asked to rank the candidates in order of preference. A voter need not rank all the candidates for an office. To win, a candidate must receive an absolute majority of valid votes as tabulated below. In the event that the above-defined procedure results in two candidates for any office tied with exactly 50% of the valid votes, the eligible candidate receiving the larger number of first-place votes shall be declared the winner. Any tie which cannot be resolved in this manner will be resolved by a runoff between the tied candidates at the Annual Convention.

9.3.2. Tabulation. As soon as practicable after the deadline for casting votes, the Tellers Committee shall meet to validate, open and tally all ballots. If no candidate receives an absolute majority of the valid votes cast for an office, the Tellers Committee shall reallocate the votes cast in favor of the candidate receiving the fewest votes, and shall thenceforth treat these votes as having been cast for the second-choice candidate identified on each of these ballots. If two or more candidates tie for fewest votes and their combined share of the total vote is less than 15%, all such candidates shall be dropped from the ballot. If their combined share is at least 15%, the tie shall be broken by examining the second-choice candidate identified on each ballot cast for the tied candidates, with the candidate receiving the fewest second-choice votes dropped from the ballot. If a tie remains after this procedure, all tied candidates shall be dropped from the ballot. If this reallocation fails to produce a majority of valid votes for a single candidate, the Tellers Committee shall repeat the process as many times as necessary, reallocating the votes cast in favor of the surviving candidate with the

fewest votes until one candidate has received a majority of the valid votes. The Report of the Tellers Committee shall describe in detail the results of each round of reallocation.

9.4. Term of Office. The term of office shall be measured by Administrative Years. An Administrative Year is defined as the period between the end of one Annual Business Meeting and the end of the next. Newly elected members of the Board of Directors shall take office at the end of the Annual Business Meeting following their election.

9.5. Campaigning and Electioneering.

9.5.1. Definitions. "Campaigning" includes any statement indicating support for, or opposition to, a specific candidate for SABR office. "Electioneering" includes any statement supporting or opposing a group of candidates or officeholders, whether or not these individuals are identified by name.

9.5.2. SABR stationery, committee newsletters, and regional newsletters may not be used for any campaigning or electioneering material. The SABR Bulletin may not contain any campaign or electioneering material other than the candidates' statements and the answers to questions posed by the Nominating Committee. No campaign material may be mailed at SABR expense, nor transmitted on SABR-L, or other SABR-sponsored electronic media.

9.5.3. SABR's salaried employees and members of the Tellers and Nominating Committees may not engage in campaigning for or against any candidates or issues appearing on the ballot.

9.5.4. None of the foregoing limits or prohibits any other SABR members from supporting or opposing candidates or issues individually and at their own expense.

9.5.5. Any individual, candidate or not, who violates these rules, shall be subject to disciplinary action, sanctioned by the Board, up to and including expulsion from the Society.

## ARTICLE X -- DUES AND FINANCES

10.1. Annual Dues - The amount of annual membership dues shall be determined by the Board of Directors. The date when dues are payable shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

10.2. Execution of Checks, etc. - All checks, drafts, notes, and orders for payment of money shall be signed by such officers or agents as the Board of Directors from time to time may designate.

10.3. Budget - The Board of Directors shall adopt, in advance of the Fiscal Year, an operating budget covering all the activities of the Society and report same to the Membership.

10.4. Financial Report - The Board of Directors shall provide for an annual compilation and review of the accounts of the Society by a certified public accountant, appointed by the Board of Directors, and shall provide a full financial report to the Membership during the second quarter of each fiscal year.

10.5. Bonding - The Board of Directors may require any officer, employee, or other member of the Society to be bonded in such amount and on such terms as the Board may determine.

10.6. Integral Parts of the Society - The assets, income, and disbursements of integral parts of the Society (such as the Chapters, Research Committees, and the National Convention) shall be the assets, income, and disbursements of the Society, although they are earmarked for the specific use of the integral parts.

## ARTICLE XI -- VOTING

11.1. Voting at Meetings - Each Member shall be entitled to one vote on each question submitted at a Business Meeting of the Society. All questions at all meetings at which a quorum is present shall be decided by a majority vote of the Members present, except as otherwise provided by these Bylaws. A Member shall not be entitled to vote by proxy.

11.2. Voting by Mail or Other Means - The By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members voting, by mail or by such other means as the Board may authorize, on at least 30 days' notice. Amendments may be proposed by the executive board of its own initiative, or on the petition of any 25 members addressed to the board. All such proposed amendments shall be presented by the board to the membership, with or without recommendation. For a proposed amendment to be adopted, at least 100 valid ballots must be returned.

## ARTICLE XII -- RULES OF PROCEDURE

12.1. Parliamentary Procedure - The proceedings of the Society's Business Meetings, all Board of Directors meetings, and all other bodies of the Society shall be governed and conducted according to the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, so far as applicable and when not inconsistent with these Bylaws.

12.2. Parliamentarian - The President shall appoint a Parliamentarian for the Annual Business Meeting.

12.3. Minutes of Meetings - For each meeting of any unit of the Society at which elections are held or minutes taken, the presiding officer of that unit shall be responsible for forwarding accurate minutes and/or reports of that meeting promptly to the Executive Director.

12.4. Policy Manual - There shall be a policy manual that specifies the operating policies and procedures of the Society and serves as the official reference on all matters of Society operations. The manual, which shall be made available to any member of the Society upon request, may be amended or revised at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

12.5. Notices - Any notice to Members or any Officer shall be deemed sufficiently given if mailed to the last post office address furnished to the Executive Director.

12.6. Waiver of Notice - Any notice required to be given by these Bylaws may be waived by the person entitled thereto.

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13.1. Distribution of Property on Dissolution - In the event of dissolution of the Society, its assets shall be applied and distributed as follows: a) all just liabilities and obligations of the Society shall be paid, satisfied and discharged, or adequate provisions shall be made therefor; b) the remaining assets, if any, shall be distributed in accordance with the Society's Articles of Incorporation, as amended; and c) no employee, officer, or private individual shall be entitled to share in the disposition of any corporate assets.

**Official  
2003 SABR Election Ballot**

Shall the Society adopt the "SABR Constitution and By-Laws" as printed on this ballot, effective July 13, 2003?

YES

NO

**For President (2003-2005)**

*elected to a term of two years, beginning at the conclusion of the business meeting at SABR 33 to the conclusion of the business meeting of 2005*

- Dick Beverage  
 Rodney Johnson  
 Write-in:

**For Director**

**(unexpired term, 2003-2005)**

*elected to complete an unexpired term, beginning at the conclusion of the business meeting at SABR 33 to the conclusion of the business meeting of 2005*

- Bo Carter  
 Dan Ginsburg  
 Ron Kaplan  
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 Write-in:

**For Director (2003-2007)**

*elected to a term of four years, beginning at the conclusion of the business meeting at SABR 33 to the conclusion of the business meeting of 2007*

- Ed Goldstein  
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 Write-in:

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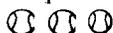
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"Cool Papa" Bell was considered the fastest base runner of the Negro Leagues and hit over .400 in several seasons. He also made significant contributions as a coach for the Monarchs and was inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 1974.

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Lou Gehrig had 13 consecutive seasons with both 100 runs scored and 100 RBI, setting an American League mark with 184 RBI in 1931; hit a record 23 grand slams; and won the 1934 Triple Crown. His consecutive games streak ended at 2,130.

Charlie Gehringer was a surehanded second baseman and a reliable hitter with good power leading the AL in batting in 1937 with a .371 mark. He had more than 200 hits in seven different seasons and led the league in hits and runs scored in 1929 and 1934. He led once in triples, twice in doubles, and seven times he had more than 100 RBI. In 1929 he topped the AL in stolen bases.

Chick Hafey in 1929 tied a National League record with ten successive hits and batted .336 in 1930. Hafey won the 1931 batting title with a .349 mark. In 1932, Hafey played just 84 games, but hit .344. In 1933 he hit .303, making the first All-Star team including getting the first hit in All-Star history. Suffering ill-health and injuries, his last campaign as an everyday player was 1934. He sat out most of 1935 and all of 1936, but attempted a comeback in '37, playing in 89 games.

Carl Hubbell not only completed three scoreless innings and established an All-Star record of six strikeouts in 1934, but over the course of the 1936-37 seasons, Hubbell established a ML record of 24 consecutive wins. His 26 victories, .813 winning percentage, and 2.31 ERA in '36 led the NL, and his 1937 numbers, 22 wins, .733, and 159 strikeouts, did also.

Travis Jackson batted over .300 six times, peaking at .339 in 1930. His 21 HR in 1929 were a career high, as were his 101 RBI in 1934. After his playing days, he coached for the Giants and managed a dozen minor league clubs.

Tony Lazzeri from 1927 through 1930, and again in 1932, batted .300 or better; his .354 in 1929 put him among the league leaders. On May 24, 1936 he became the first major leaguer to hit two grand slams in one game and set a still-standing AL record with 11 RBI.

Paul Waner broke into the NL with a .336 batting average and led in triples (22). In 1927, the right fielder led the NL in hitting (.380), base hits (237), triples (17), and RBI (131) and was named NL MVP. Solid throughout the 1930s and early 40's, he led the league in hitting again in 1934 (.362) and 1936 (.373).

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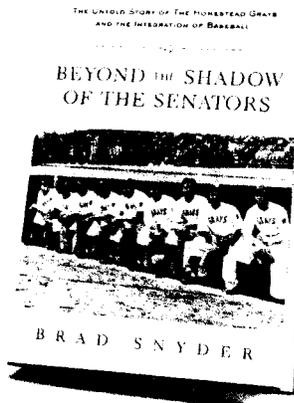
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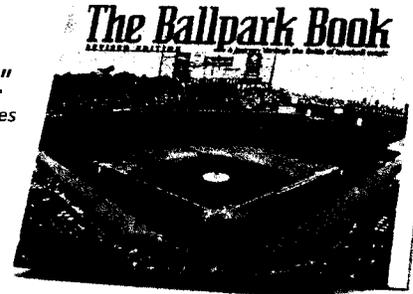
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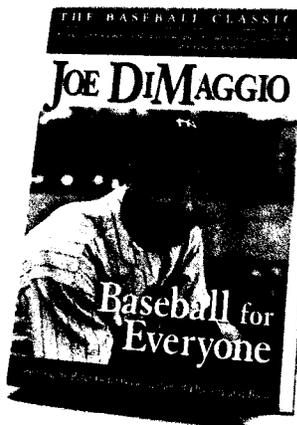
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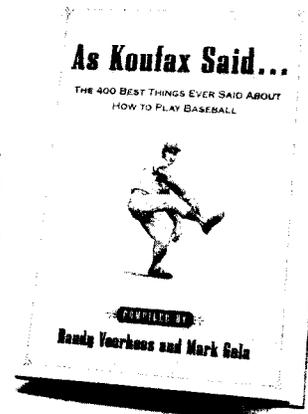
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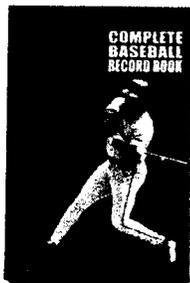
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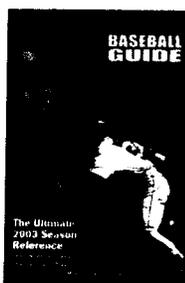
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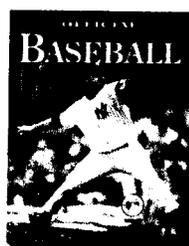
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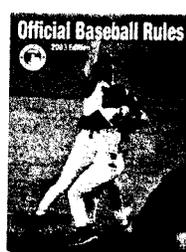
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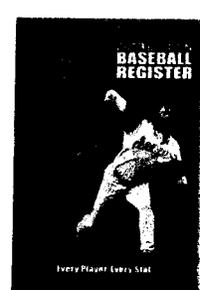
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## Ivor-Campbell Awarded 2003 Bob Davids Trophy

SABR is happy to announce that Bristol, Rhode Island resident **Frederick Ivor-Campbell** is the recipient of their 2003 Bob Davids Award.

Mr. Ivor-Campbell, who joined SABR in 1981, has written for many SABR publications in addition to *Total Baseball* and the *Biographical Dictionary of American Sports*. He recently served as Vice President of SABR, from 1998 through 2002. During this time, he did much to coordinate and energize regional chapters of the organization. Previously, he had been a Director from 1992 through 1996.

Included among his many contributions and achievements, Mr. Ivor-Campbell has also served as the chair of SABR's 19th Century Committee from 1991 through 1998. Currently, he is an editor for BioProject, a committee that is writing short biographies of everyone who has played or managed in the majors. He wrote the guidelines for authors for this project and also edited *Baseball's First Stars*, which earned a Sporting News/SABR Award for 1996. He has served twice on the Seymour Book Award committee and was instrumental in developing the guidelines for the award.

Considered SABR's highest honor, The Bob Davids Award honors SABR members whose contributions to SABR and baseball reflect the ingenuity, integrity, and self-sacrifice of the founder and past president of SABR, L. Robert "Bob" Davids. Voluntary activities in the area of administration and research are among those contributions considered.

The Bob Davids Award was established by the SABR Board of Directors in 1985, and is given each year at the annual convention.

## SABR 33 Reaches Rocky Mountain Heights in Denver



Former Major League Umpire Jim Evans fields questions after his SABR 33 keynote speech. (photo courtesy of Dixie Tourangeau)

A great time was had by all, as 494 registrants from as far away as the United Kingdom and Australia converged in Denver for the 33rd National SABR Convention sponsored by the Colorado Rockies and Denver Newspaper Agency.

Held July 9-13, the Rocky Mountain Convention committee, co-chaired by **Chip Atkison** and **Glenn Guzzo**, put together an outstanding program of research presentations, special panels, and unique events creating a truly memorable experience for all those who attended.

It was also a chance for SABRites to honor some of the best in baseball research as well as pay tribute to those no longer with us.

### AWARDS

The convention's premier honor, the Bob Davids award, went to Fred Ivor-Campbell (see left story). Because Fred was unable to attend, **Len Levin** accepted the award on his behalf.

When Bob Davids Award Committee member **David Vincent** called Fred to give him the good news, he fell silent for some time and reported his hands as shaking. Vincent told him that was the normal reaction.

**Peter Morris** won the *USA Today Sports Weekly* prize for Best Oral Presentation for his "The Origin of the Word Fan". Winning *USA Today Sports Weekly* prize for Best Research Poster Presentation was **John Jarvis** for his "Trends, Exceptions and Results of IBB Usage"

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## 2003 Election Results

Over 500 SABR members cast ballots in the 2003 election and overwhelmingly approved the by-laws revision. In the board races, **Richard Beverage** of Placentia, California was elected President, while incumbents **Dan Ginsburg** of Calistoga, California and **Norman Macht** of Easton, Maryland were re-elected to serve as Directors.

The new by-laws went into effect at the conclusion of the 2003 Annual Business meeting. The new by-laws help SABR meet more of the challenges it faces as it continues to grow and evolve in its third decade of existence.

A big "thank you" goes out to outgoing president **Claudia Perry** for her service to SABR over the past two years. Thanks also go out to the Nominating Committee of **Paul Andresen** (chair), **William Gilbert**, and **Tom Ruane**; and to the Tellers Committee, **Joe Simenic** (chair), **Jim Hanson**, and **Fred Schuld**. And thank you to the 500+ members who took the time to vote.

Nominations for the 2004 elections will begin soon. Contact chair **Paul Andresen**, 3006 NW McKinley Drive, Corvallis OR 97330-1138, to nominate someone (or yourself) for the position of Vice-President or Director.

Complete election results can be found on page 10.

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**The Best Man Plays: Major League Baseball and the Black Athlete, 1901-2002** by Andrew O'Toole traces the history of African-American participation in the National Pastime through profiles of six black athletes of the 20th Century. The six are Rube Foster, Satchel Paige, Larry Doby, Curt Flood, Dave Parker and Barry Bonds and each is placed in the context of his times and what their careers tell you about major league baseball at that time.

**When Baseball Returned to Brooklyn: The Inaugural Season of the New York-Penn League Cyclones** by Ed Shakespeare covers the return of (minor league) baseball to Brooklyn in loving detail. The narrative starts with spring training and covers the full 2001 season,

the players on the team and their chances of making the majors. Shakespeare also talks to such former Dodgers as Erskine, Snider, Labine, Podres, Branca and Pignatano about their minor league days.

**The Cooperstown Symposium on Baseball and American Culture, 2002** collects and updates 24 papers delivered at the annual gathering of baseball scholars. Edited by William Simons, the volume's authors include Charles Alexander, Rich Puerzer, Joseph Dorinson, Ron Briley and Paul Staudohar. Topics include Bill Monboquette, gay players, the AAGPBL, Ernest Hemingway, Black baseball, the eastern shore of Maryland and Branch Rickey.

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**What Makes an Elite Pitcher? Young, Mathewson, Johnson, Alexander, Grove, Spahn, Seaver, Clemens, and Maddux** by Warren N. Wilbert contains profiles of the nine pitchers mentioned in the title, as well as an analysis of World Series pitching. Wilbert examines a great many statistics, traditional and Sabrmetric, but focuses on the games where these greats matched up.

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You should have been there! The 33<sup>rd</sup> convention of the Society for American Baseball Research was held in Denver this past July, and from my personal viewpoint, it was one of the best we have ever had. The venue was just about perfect. The Marriott hotel was located

in downtown Denver, close to many moderately priced eating places and more importantly, only a 15 minute walk from Coors Field. Many of the 494 attendees took full advantage of this proximity and took in several ballgames in addition to the SABR night at the ballpark.

The Denver convention committee deserves much credit for putting together this exceptional event, and needless to say, many hundreds of man and women hours were spent over the last two years to make this event the success it was. Chip Atkison and Glenn Guzzo were the co-chairs of this impressive event. Seemingly everywhere was Paul Parker, who may have been the only SABR member who lost weight during these glorious four days.

This was my 19<sup>th</sup> consecutive convention, but that is nowhere near the record. Ron Liebman has exceeded that number, and I suspect Bob McConnell and John Pardon have done the same, while Tom Zocco has a perfect record since 1974. There are several others whose perfect records exceed the 20 year mark. It is a great pleasure for me to see all of these men year after year. They're good friends and SABR is an important part of their lives. It has long been a theory of mine that it is important to make our conventions as easy as possible to attend and to encourage our younger members to do so. Once they experience the joys of SABR at a convention, they will soon become devoted SABR members. That's the way to strengthen our organization.

In 2004 you can tell your Aunt Hattie that this year it's Cincinnati. The local convention committee has been formed and is going ahead at warp speed to put on a convention that will rival the success of Boston and Den-

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DICK BEVERAGE, PRESIDENT

ver. The Executive Board has approved Toronto as the site for 2005, and that one will be exciting as well. Get out the word to all of your SABR friends, and let's see if we can surpass the attendance at Boston and Denver.

It isn't all play at the convention, of course. The committees hold their annual meetings to plan for the year ahead, and the Board holds two meetings to conduct its business. At the meeting of the new Board on Sunday, the nominating committee of Paul Andresen as chairman, Tom Ruane and Bill Gilbert was approved, while the Seymour Medal Committee now consists of Gail Rowe as chairman, Morris Eckhouse and Paul Adomites. The revision of the Constitution and By-Laws calls for the establishment of an Audit Committee whose duties include the evaluation and review of SABR's financial statements and internal accounting. The Board approved Dan Ginsburg as the chairman and John Carter, F. X. Flinn, Dick Beverage and Bill Suphan as members.

By the time you read this the Board will have determined how the biographical work of National League stars of the Deadball era will be distributed. This will be a seminal work, and our goal is to have it in the hands of the membership by the end of the year. The National Pastime should have arrived at your door by now, and the Baseball Research Journal in November. If all goes according to this plan, we will have restored our publications to their normal schedule.

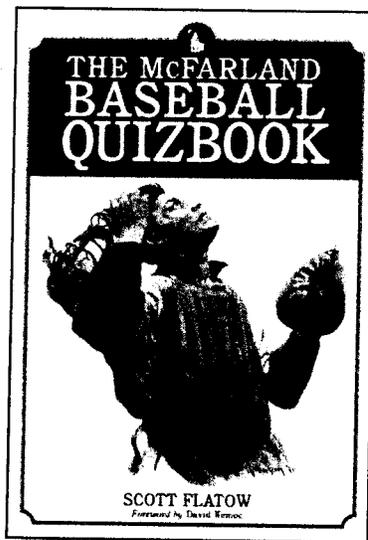
In closing, I'd like to thank two distinguished SABR members for their service. Claudia Perry did yeoman work during her term as President during some trying times. She left the organization in better shape than it was when she joined the Board. Harry Rothgerber contributed greatly to the Board during his term as a Director and chairman of the National Convention Committee. We are grateful for their efforts.

**Stand and Deliver: A History of Pinch-Hitting** by Paul Votano covers the manly art – from "Princeton Charlie" Reilly, the game's first pinch-hitter, to Lenny Harris, today's late-inning larruper. The book is organized by decade, starting in 1892, when substitutions first became legal. An appendix of pinch-hitting records is included in the 205-page book.

**Class at Bat, Gender on Deck and Race in the Hole: A Line-Up of Essays on Twentieth Century Culture and America's Game** collects 19 essays by Ron Briley which have appeared in mostly academic publications over the past two decades. They cover topics from Roman Mejias to World War II, focusing on how baseball reflects and is reflected by the broader trends of American culture.

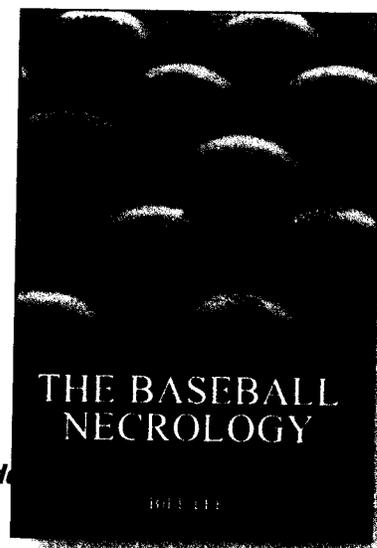
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# RESEARCH COMMITTEES

## BALLPARKS

The June 2003 Ballparks Committee newsletter has 11 pages of material, including: listings of books and publications involving ballparks, exhibits, and preservation news. Ballpark notes from many major league cities are also included, as is a bibliography of recent newspaper articles of interest.

The average seating capacity of American League ballparks has dropped 7.15% since 1975 (2003 v. 1975 average capacities). The National League capacities have dropped 2.4% in the same span (not including San Juan in 2003). If every park sold out every night (and Montreal played all its games in Montreal), then MLB would draw an attendance of 113,973,075, not including standing room.

The new ballpark in Philadelphia will be called Citizens Bank Park. It is located on the north side of Pattison Avenue, between 11th and Darien Streets across the street from Veterans Stadium.

## BASEBALL RECORDS

In August's edition of the Baseball Records Committee Newsletter it was suggested by **Greg Spira** that an effort should be made to record the thoughts and methodologies of committee members who have made significant contributions over the years. If undertaken, it would be in conjunction with the Oral History Committee.

Other committee highlights include **Lyle Spatz's** research on "most appearances without a loss;" **Mitch Soivenski's** research on "games between Yankee no-hitters;" and Bob Tiemann's "Major League Records Set in the National Association, 1871-1875 That Would Still Be Records Today." Among them is "Most Runs Scored by One Team in a Shutout Victory -- 29 -- Boston vs. Atlantic, October 1, 1874 (Al Spalding winning pitcher; Tommy Bond, losing pitcher).

In the June 2003 newsletter, **Herman Krabbenhoft** contributes his research on Consecutive Game on Base Streaks. Ted Williams is the all-time leader with 84 consecutive games in 1949, followed by Joe DiMaggio (74 in 1941), Ted Williams (69 in 1941 and 65 in 1948), and Jack Tobin (58 in 1922). Duke Snider has the NL record with 58 consecutive games in 1954. Also contributing to Herm's research were **Bill Deane, Alex Haas, Pete Palmer, Tom**

**Ruane, John Schwartz, and Tim Wiles** and the staff at the **Hall of Fame**.

**Walt Wilson** contributes his lists of who caught Walter Johnson and Christy Mathewson. Eddie Ainsmith caught 48 of The Big Train's shutouts and Frank Bowerman caught 26 of The Big Six's shutouts.

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

The July issue of the Bibliography Committee newsletter had the annual report of the Bibliography Committee for 2002-2003. It stated, among other figures, that the online Baseball Index has had more than two million hits with over 60,000 different visitors.

Also included in the newsletter were book reviews on **Charles Alexander's** *Breaking the Slump: Baseball in the Depression Era* and Ross Bernstein's *BATTER UP! Celebrating a Century of Minnesota Baseball*.

## BIOGRAPHICAL

In the March/April newsletter William Kinsler, who caught one game for the 1893 New York Giants was the Find of the Month thanks to diligent detective work by **Richard Malatsky, Peter Morris, and Peter Mancuso**.

The newsletter also features a great story from **Tom Hufford** about meeting Houston Colt .45 pitcher Larry Yellen featured in **Rob Truck's** new book "*Cup of Coffee*." Hufford remembered hearing Yellen's major league debut in 1963.

## BUSINESS OF BASEBALL

In their most recent edition of "Outside the Lines", The Business of Baseball Committee discussed MLB news such as opening day average salaries, ticket prices and early season attendance.

The spring issue also includes a book review of Andrew Zimbalist's book *May the Best Team Win* by **Doug Pappas** and **Yoshihiro Koda's** feature, "The View from Japan".

## COLLEGIATE

The Collegiate Committee has been busy, producing newsletters in both May and June. You can get their newsletters online at [www.ncaa-baseball.com/sabr/](http://www.ncaa-baseball.com/sabr/) as well as access to the incredible Major League Baseball collegiate database. The bulk of the data behind the da-

tabase has been done by Cappy Gagnon and Tom Shea over the past 30 years. Division I schools have been placed on the web Division II schools were expected to be completed by Labor Day. **Jeremy Mills** has been hard at work in getting this information on the web site.

The June newsletter reports that the University of Southern California leads Division I schools with 93 major league players confirmed as having attended (through the 2002 season). Texas is second with 85, followed by Arizona State (78), Michigan (67), Stanford (63), Illinois (60), St. Mary's (55), and Holy Cross (54). Also included is a quick study by **Jeremy Mills** analyzing the 2003 Major League Draft. He found that 42% of the players drafted attended 4-year colleges and 21% attended 2-year colleges. Mills also provides a table of each team's breakout by 4-year, 2-year and high school draft choices. Toronto took the fewest high school players (7) while the Dodgers took 36.

The May newsletter includes an eight-day research travelogue by co-chair **Rick Benner** as he drove throughout the US

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# SABR REGIONALS

## Upcoming

### SEPTEMBER 13

SABR Boston will host a Ted Williams Regional Meeting at the Boston Public Library's Rabb Lecture Hall from 10am-4pm on Saturday, September 13. Speakers will include **Larry Baldasarro**, Leigh Montville, Ben Bradlee, Jr. and **Richard Johnson**. The morning session will focus on Ted Williams—the Man, featuring authors and SABR members presenting their research on this mythic Boston personality. The afternoon session is an author's panel focussing on the impact of Ted Williams on Boston Baseball.

There will be a one-hour break for a attendees to explore lunch possibilities in Boston's famed Copley Square.

A donation of \$5 is requested to offset expenses.

For more information, please call **Seamus Kearney** (781) 321-0681 or email ([seamus@cs.umb.edu](mailto:seamus@cs.umb.edu))

### SEPTEMBER 20

#### TORONTO, CANADA

Hanlan's Point Chapter presents an afternoon with Hall of Famer Fergie Jenkins at the The Duke of Richmond Pub and Restaurant Saturday, September 20, from 1:00 to 5:00 pm Fergie Jenkins has agreed to appear at their event for a question and answer session and a book signing as part of the Fergie Jenkins Golf Tournament. In addition, he has agreed to sign autographs for the Fergie Jenkins Foundation. If you would like to order a personally autographed copy of *The Game Is Easy, Life is Hard*, please make arrangements with **Maxwell Kates** at the e-mail address listed below. Also scheduled for the meet-

ing will be a research project, "Early Toronto Ballparks," with **Jane Dorward**.

For more information, contact **Maxwell Kates**, (416) 515-9578.

### SEPTEMBER 22

#### ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

The Bob Broeg SABR chapter will meet at Crusoe's Restaurant in St. Louis.

For more information, contact **Norm Richards**, (636) 447-4697.

### OCTOBER 18

#### TOLEDO, OHIO

The next meeting of the Roger Bresnahan/Mud Hens Chapter will be held Saturday, October 18, 2003. The tentative schedule includes baseball presentation accompanied by a ballpark meal and a viewing of the first game of the 2003 World Series.

For more information, contact **Steve Lauer** at (419) 882-1301.

### OCTOBER 31

#### CLEVELAND, OHIO

The SABR Executive Board will hold its annual budget meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, the weekend of Halloween. Agenda items must be submitted to the Executive Director no later than September 30.

For more information, contact **John Zajc**.

### NOVEMBER 11

#### TORONTO, ONTARIO

The Hanlan's Point Chapter will meet Saturday, November 1, 2003, at the Duke of Richmond Pub and Restaurant. **Bill Humber** will be the special guest.

For more information, contact **Maxwell Kates**, 416-545-9578.

### FEBRUARY 6

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

The SABR Executive Board will meet in Southern California. Agenda items must be submitted to the Executive Director no later than January 6, 2004.

For more information, contact **John Zajc**.

### FEBRUARY 7

#### FISHERS, INDIANA

The Oscar Charleston Chapter will hold a Baseball Symposium on February 7, 2004, at Conner Prairie in Fishers, Indiana. The theme of the symposium will be baseball before 1886. SABR Members who are interested in making a presentation, should submit a paper to **Bill Madden**, 10872 Washington Bay Drive, Fishers, IN 46038. **October 1, 2003 is the deadline for submissions.**

For more information, contact **Bill Madden** at 317-842-9856.

## SABR Season

### September 13

Boston Regional Meeting

Contact Seamus Kearney, 781-321-0681

### September 20

Toronto Meeting

Contact Maxwell Kates, 416-515-9578

### September 22

Saint Louis Monthly Get Together

Contact Norm Richards, 636-447-4697

### October 18

Toledo, Ohio

Contact Steve Lauer, 419-882-1301

### October 31 - November 2

SABR Board of Directors Meeting, Cleveland OH

Contact John Zajc, 216-575-0500

### November 11

Hanlan's Point Meeting, Toronto, Ontario

Contact Maxwell Kates, 416-515-9578

### February 6 - 8, 2004

SABR Board of Directors Meeting, Southern CA

### February 7, 2004

Oscar Charleston Chapter Baseball Symposium

Contact William Madden, 317-842-9856

## Chapter Chatter

You can read about what happened at recent regional meetings by checking out Chapter Chatter at [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org).

Chapter Chatter not only recaps SABR regional meetings, but it also is the way for Chapter Leaders to share information and ideas about how to run successful regional meetings.

Click on "Chapters" and on "Chapter Chatter" to check it out.

If you do not have Internet Access and would like a copy, please request it from the SABR office, 812 Huron Rd E #719, Cleveland OH 44115.

players are incomplete.

**Harry Wright: The Father of Professional Base Ball** by Christopher Devine described the life of one of the pioneers of professional baseball, and a member of the Hall of Fame. It covers his career as cricketer, baseball player, and manager. Wright, and his brother George, were two of the cornerstones of the 1869 Cincinnati Red Stockings, the National Association and the National League.

**Ebbets to Veeck to Busch: Eight Owners Who Shaped Baseball** by **Burton A.** and **Benita W. Boxerman** profiles eight magnates who they authors feel changed the game. The eight are Charles Ebbets and Walter O'Malley of the Dodgers, Barney Dreyfuss of the Pirates, Helene Britton and Gussie Busch of the Cardinals, Clark Griffith of the Senators, Charlie Finley of the A's and Bill Veeck of the Browns, Indians and White Sox.

**September Streak: The 1935 Chicago Cubs Chase the Pennant** by **Doug Feldmann** chronicles the Cubbies fast finish in the 1935 National League Pennant race. On the way, it picks up many of the 1935 events which would change baseball, the first night game, the first team to broadcast all its games and Babe Ruth's National League debut. The Cubs won 21 straight down the stretch.

In **How to Become a Professional Baseball Player**, Bo Durkac begins with a fundamental overview of pitching, fielding, hitting, etc. It continues with advice to get your player noticed on the high school and collegiate levels. Players learn to strive to improve only those factors they can control.

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Already known for his antics on the field, former pitcher **Bill "Spaceman" Lee** goes even further in **The Little Red (Sox) Book: A Revisionist Red Sox History**. The book is co-written with Jim Prime and offers hilarious scenarios that would have changed the misfortunes of the last 85 years of Red Sox baseball.

Hall of Famer Robin Roberts recounts

his life and 19 year career with **C. Paul Rogers III** in **My Life In Baseball**. He details his memories of playing for the pennant winning 1950 Phillies team (the Whiz Kids) and his encounters both on and off the field with baseball's biggest stars of the 50's and 60's. The book also features the rugged path Roberts took after his career was over including work with the MLB Players Association.

In **Still Pitching**, Jim Kaat tells about his career that spanned 4 decades and saw him facing greats ranging from Ted Williams to Tony Gwynn. With the help of Phil Pepe, Kaat reveals the secrets that enabled him to win 283 games, 16 Gold Gloves and strike out 2,461 batters.

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**Paul Dickson** provides insight on the large impact signs and even sign-stealing have had throughout the history of baseball in **The Hidden Language of Baseball**. Signs have been a part of the game since 1869 and the Hartford Dark Blues became the first team accused of stealing signs just seven years later. Dickson chronicles the many ways' signs have been stolen and for example the details of how such practices allegedly occurred in Bobby Thomson's 1951 Shot Heard Round the World.

Check your local bookstore, or write to Walker and Co., 435 Hudson Street, New York, NY 10014.



**Autumn Glory: Baseball's First World Series** by **Louis P. Masur** relives the 1903 matchup between the Boston Americans and Pittsburgh Pirates virtually play-by-play. The books release is fitting as we now celebrate the centennial of the World Series, a tradition that began from a war between the established National League and upstart American League.

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Celebrating their championship season, Steve Bisheff chronicles the Angels 41 years of existence in **Tales from the Angels' Dugout**. Bisheff examines the many different personalities that have shared the Angels dugout as well as the blue-collar team that brought the Angels

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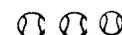
In his book, **Rickey and Robinson: The Men Who Broke Baseball's Color Barrier**, **Harvey Frommer** uses exclusive interviews with Robinson's family, Hall of Famers, and others to evoke the lives of Branch Rickey and Jackie Robinson and describe how they worked together to shatter baseball's color line. Considered a dual biography, this book traces the convergence of the lives of these influential figures in a special time in sports and cultural history.

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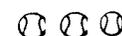
**William R. Cobb** has edited a new edition of the 1914 classic **Busting Em** by Ty Cobb. This is a 164-page paperback book with 12 chapters, plus a foreword, tribute, footnotes, index and other additions, including commentary by the editor. It is professionally printed in 5.5 by 8 inch format. All profits from these editions are being donated to the Ty Cobb Museum.

This is available from the Editor for \$17.95 plus \$3.00 shipping. Send check or money order to: Ron Cobb, 2535 Appaloosa Trail, Marietta GA 30064.



**Grace, Grit and Growling: The Hartford Dark Blues Base Ball Club, 1874-1877**, by **David Arcidiacono**, is about a team of firsts. From a charter member of today's National League, to Hartford's Morgan Bulkeley becoming the National League's first president, to professional sports' first franchise move to another city, the club blazed many trails. The book includes footnotes and an extensive appendix with information such as the game results for the years 1874-1877.

To order this title, call 1-800-730-8119.



**Baseball in Norfolk, Virginia** by **Clay Shampoe** and **Thomas R. Garrett** is an interesting look into the stories of Norfolk ballplayers, visiting major league stars, and Piedmont League opponents

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that once dueled upon the dirt and grass of Myers Field. Packed with images, these photos allow the reader to revisit the past, examine the present, and ponder the future of baseball in the City of Norfolk.

With a history of minor-league baseball dating back to the 19th century, Sam Rubin captures these memories in **Baseball in New Haven**. He does so using over 200 rare images such as one of Yale Captain and future president, George H.W. Bush with Babe Ruth in 1948. The book ends with a look at today's New Haven Ravens. Part of the *Images of Baseball* series.

**Baseball in Rochester**, by Scott Pitoniak. Some of the greatest names in baseball history, including Stan Musial and Cal Ripken Jr., have honed their skills in Rochester, New York. Their exploits, along with those of numerous others, are documented with rare photographs in this book.

**Baseball in Columbus** by James R. Tootle, Ph.D. tells the story of baseball in Columbus, OH from post-Civil War right up to the present-day Columbus Clippers.

**Baseball in Reading** by Charles J. Adams III captures the images of the teams, players, and ballparks that have made Reading, PA one of minor-league baseball's great cities.

**Baseball in Toledo** by John R. Husman traces the long and rich Toledo baseball history through pictures drawn from several major collections, along with detailed captions. Included is a summary of every Toledo season, and an all-time Toledo roster that lists all the players ever to wear a Toledo uniform.

**Baseball in Indianapolis** by W.C. Maden captures the history of Circle City baseball including semi-pro and amateur clubs, youth baseball and a vintage "baseball" scene that is a throwback to a bygone era. Includes more than 130 images dating back to the 1880's.

**Baseball at Ball State** by John Ginter chronicles how baseball at Ball State began in 1919, when the institution's fledgling sports teams were known as the Hoosieroons, through the 2002 season, by which time the Cardinals were known as a rich source of professional talent.

**Cleveland Indians: The Cleveland Press Years 1920-1982** by David Borsvold. Many prints from the *Cleveland Press* archive, dating from 1920 until the newspaper's closure in 1982, are re-

produced in this book, along with a brief history of each decade.

**Tiger Stadium** by Irwin J. Cohen. This book takes you on a visual tour of baseball in Detroit from the beginning of the Tigers franchise to the historic final game played at Tiger Stadium.

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**Touching All The Bases** by Ned Garver with Bill Bozman and Ronnie Joyner is an entertaining look at baseball in the 1950's through the eyes of the famed major-leaguer. The book has over 160 pages of great stories and Garver's thoughts on baseball as well as lots of great photos, many from his private collection.

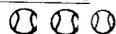
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**Big League Brothers** written by Jim LeBuffe takes a look at those rare occurrences when two or even three brothers all played in the Major Leagues. The book begins in 1940 and includes past stars such as the Waner, and DiMaggio siblings as well as stars of today such as the Alomar and Ripken brothers.

For these, or any other of LeBuffe's books, contact the author at <http://people.txucom.net/lebuffe>



**Elysian Fields Quarterly** edited by Tom Goldstein. The summer edition of *EFQ* features an excerpt of *League of Nations*, a one-act play by Ken LaZebnik

To order this or other editions, contact *EFQ* by mail at PO Box 14385, St. Paul, MN 55114-0385 or call (651) 644-8558.



**The American Association Almanac: A Baseball History Journal (1902-1952)** edited by Rex Hamman. The July-August edition of this journal features Ballparks of the American Association.

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## Deadball Book Highlights 2003 Publications Schedule

**Deadball Era Stars: The National League** by the Deadball Era Committee of SABR, edited by Tom Simon and published by Brassey's Inc., will be the highlight of the 2003 publication schedule.

A work several years in the making, **Deadball Era Stars** is expected to top off at 384 pages, tying it with *The Negro Leagues Book* (1994) as the largest publication distributed to members as part of the membership publications schedule.

**Deadball Era Stars** is expected to be in the mail in late November.

The first publication of the year will be **The National Pastime**, which will be in the mail by the end of August. All members should receive their copy by the time the playoffs start.

The **Baseball Research Journal** should also be out in December.

The Membership Directory will NOT be produced in 2003. If you do not have Internet access and would like a laser-printed copy of the directory, request one from the SABR office.

The **SABR Bulletin** will have one more edition in 2003.

As of 2003, membership cards will only be issued upon request.

## Hearn Wins Lee Allen Award

Alexander Hearn of Sycamore School in Indianapolis, Indiana, won The Lee Allen History of Baseball Award for his Junior Individual Performance of "Jackie Robinson: The Man Responsible for the Integration of Baseball." Alexander receives a \$500 stipend and a SABR membership.

For more information on National History Day, visit their web site, [www.nationalhistoryday.org](http://www.nationalhistoryday.org).

## Seymour Medal Conference Wrap Up

SABR members, including some of the top baseball authors in the nation, came together May 2-4 with the Baseball Heritage Museum, Cleveland Indians and the The Fergie Jenkins Foundation to celebrate the best in baseball writing and research.

The weekend's events culminated with the highlight of the conference: the presentation of the Seymour Medal Award. This year's recipient was Dr. Charles C. Alexander for his book **Breaking the Slump: Baseball in the Depression Era** (Columbia University Press) judged the best work of baseball history or biography published in the preceding year.

Sponsored by the Cleveland Indians Baseball Club, the Seymour Conference weekend opened Friday with a reception at the Baseball Heritage Museum that included friendly baseball chatter and book signings. On hand were popular baseball authors, Charles C. Alexander, Charles Korr (**The End of Baseball as We Knew It**, 2003 runner-up), David Fleitz (**Louis Sockalexis**, a 2003 finalist) and many others. Other highlights included an appearance by Baseball Hall of Famer Fergie Jenkins, who mingled with conference attendees and signed copies of his second biography published in 2002.

The conference reconvened Saturday at the Gateway Radisson featuring papers by Trey Strecker, Bill McMahon, Richard McBane, David W. Anderson, Jeff Powers-Beck and David Fleitz. Mike Sowell, author of Casey Award winner, **The Pitch That Killed; July 2, 1903**, and **One Pitch Away**, was the keynote speaker. After a short speech by Dorothy Jane Mills, SABR Executive Director John Zajc presented Alexander with the Seymour Medal. In his acceptance speech, Alexander stressed the impact of Seymour's legacy on baseball research and the importance of receiving the Seymour Medal, calling SABR the greatest organization of its kind in the world.

On Sunday, attendees strolled over to nearby Jacob's field to watch the Indians beat the Rangers in a 3-1 victory.

For more details on the conference and to see photos, visit [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org).

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Winning the McFarland-SABR Baseball Research award this year were **Frank Ardolino** for "Missionaries, Cartwright and Spalding;" **Ron Briley** for his research involved in "In the Tradition of Jackie Robinson: Ozzie Virgil and the Integration of the Detroit Tigers;" and **Jim McConnell** for "Dahlgren, You're in There." The McFarland-SABR Baseball Research Award honors the authors of the best articles or papers, published or unpublished, on baseball history or biography completed during the preceding calendar year.

**Larry Lester** and **Joseph Reaves** received this year's *Sporting News-SABR* Baseball Research award for outstanding research projects completed during the preceding calendar year have significantly expanded our knowledge or understanding of baseball. Lester won for research he did to produce his book, *Black Baseball's National Showcase: The East-West All-Star Game, 1933-1953* and Reaves won for research included in his book, *Taking in a Game: A History of Baseball in Asia*. Both books are available through University of Nebraska Press.

#### **BASEBALL AUTHORS PANEL**

On Wednesday, many early conventioners chose to participate in the Town Ball Match at Commons Park or take in the Baseball Authors Panel at the Tattered Cover Bookstore featuring **Bill James**, **Michael Lewis**, **Rob Neyer**, **Mark Armour** and **Dan Levitt**. The authors held a Q&A session about their current projects and were kind enough to autograph copies of their work afterwards.

#### **ART OF RELIEF PITCHING PANEL**

Thursday included some great presentations and panel discussions including The Art of Relief Pitching with **Ryne Duren**, **Charlie Metro** and **Nick Willhite**.

Ryne Duren related interesting happenings during his career, including the first time he took the mound against his first teammates, the New York Yankees.

Charlie Metro had many interesting stories to pass on to the attendees. Charlie played for Connie Mack and related some of his dealings with Mr. Mack. Charlie managed the Kansas City Royals, and also was one of the "College of Coaches" for the Chicago Cubs.

Nick Willhite, who pitched for the Los

Angeles Dodgers, New York Mets, California Angels, and Washington Senators shared his major league memories. Nick talked a lot about his time with the Dodgers and the friendships he had, especially **Gil Hodges**.

#### **BASEBALL AT ALTITUDE PANEL**

Another Thursday highlight was the Baseball at Altitude Panel moderated by **Alan Schwarz** (*Baseball America*) featuring **Dr. Robert Adair** (author of the *Physics of Baseball*), **Dan O'Dowd** (GM and Executive VP of the Rockies) and **Rany Jazayerli** (*Baseball Prospectus*), all of who attempted to explain "baseball at altitude."

Adair cited the 1989 study suggested by **Bart Giamatti** (known as the "Don't Build It" study, due to its conclusion) and recommended that Denver design a team to fit its park, as other clubs have done, yet further studies show the Rockies hit worse and worse as the road trip progresses, and this is the link of how psychology factors enter into the picture, with mental stresses developing, directly from the physical stress.

O'Dowd emphasized the mental and physical relationship of playing at altitude, and stressed the oxygen levels that affect playing the game; the nightly anaerobic activity breaks down red blood cells which then interferes with recovery time necessary to recuperate from such physical stress.

Jazayerli theorized on what would work in Colorado: the dramatic increase in homers contrasts with the noticeable decrease in strikeouts. The traditional "situational hitting, defense, team speed, and solid hitting" that applies to most teams, along with On Base Average, works in pitcher-dominated parks, but not in Coors.

Despite the explorations and explanations, no "answer" was presented as a "remedy" in this fascinating panel; nevertheless, the audience was treated to a plethora of scientific and psychological information shared by experts in their fields, including Coors.

#### **BASEBALL SIMULATION GAMES**

Friday continued with more great panel discussions and research presentations. Baseball Simulation Games have been around for a long time and not surprising, a large turnout was in attendance.

**Glenn Guzzo** was the moderator for a panel that featured **John Dewan**, **Bill James**, and **Tom Tippett**. They discussed how simulation games ignited their interest in research.

#### **BASEBALL 2020 PANEL & TRIBUTE TO LEONARD KOPPETT**

The Baseball 2020 Panel began with a moving tribute to scheduled panelist **Leonard Koppett**, delivered by **William B. Gould** (formerly served as counselor for the NLRB and UAW) who recalled the friendship they shared, and their lunch just six days before Koppett died. Their conversation had turned on many current aspects of the game, from rules to race to rosters to umpiring and the humorous references used to imagine the future of baseball in international arenas. That humor, for which Koppett was renowned, emphasized his absence on the panel.

**Alan Schwarz**, himself a respected journalist (*Baseball America*, *espn.com*), mentioned the breadth and depth in Koppett's thinking along with the influence he continues to have, especially among those who exercise an intellectual rigor in their analysis of the game.

A videotape of Koppett's 1992 acceptance speech for the Hall of Fame's Spink Award was played at the conclusion of this tribute.

The Baseball 2020 panel opened with a special videotaped introduction by **George Will**, who was a member of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Baseball Economics. His personal theory was that baseball was fundamentally the same game as it was in 1903, and he anticipated no radical changes in 2020.

**Paul Ogle** then introduced **Tom Goldstein** who moderated the panel and directed audience questions to the panelists: **Andrew Zimbalist**, **Gary Gillette**, and **William Gould**.

The Baseball 2020 Survey, created by **Ogle**, indicated that only 26% of the respondents believe there will be more than 32 teams in 2020. **Zimbalist** pointed out that growth factors in population and household income predicted by that time needed to be entered into the equation before determining a set of numbers involving expansion. Fans should demand expansion, he said, not contraction, since the market supports it.

**Gillette**, reading from prepared re-

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# Baseball History at a Glance: Museum Exhibits Throughout the Country

## THE PERFECT GAME AT THE AMERICAN FOLK ART MUSEUM

*The Perfect Game: America Looks at Baseball* is a new exhibition at New York's American Folk Art Museum on view through February 1, 2004.

*Perfect Game* celebrates baseball with over 100 art objects from the 1840s to the present day in a wide variety of media including portraits, weathervanes, adver-



Part of the American Folk Art Museum Exhibit, "Baseball Batter Weathervane" from the Gladstone Collection of Baseball Art. Made from metal in the United States in the 1930's, the maker is unidentified. Actual size 39x17x17

tising figures, signs, textures tiles, croquet wickets, carnival figures, arcade games, and other baseball ephemera such as score cards and baseball cards.

"This exhibition wonderfully illustrates the deep impact of baseball on our national consciousness and cultural 19th century baseball heritage," says Gerard C. Wertkin, the museum's director. "The engaging objects that will be on view document how the game inspired generations of folk artists and entered everyday life in remarkable ways, in the 19th century as well as today.

Works in the exhibition are drawn from private and public collections around the country including the renowned Gladstone Collection of Baseball Art.

For more information contact the American Folk Art Museum at 45 West 53<sup>rd</sup> Street, New York, NY 10019 or call (212) 265 1040.

## SAFE AT HOME IN THE LOUISVILLE SLUGGER MUSEUM

The Louisville Slugger Museum recently opened a new exhibit showcasing 32 historic baseball contracts signed by the game's greatest, including Mickey Mantle, Hank Aaron, Ted Williams, Jackie Robinson, Pee Wee Reese. The exhibit, entitled, *Safe at Home: The Historic Contracts of Louisville Slugger*, runs through October 19, 2003.

The contracts, missing from Hillerich & Bradsby Co. for 15 years, were discovered in a 1999 Sotheby's auction catalogue as part of the collection of a noted base-

ball collector and historian on the East Coast. The documents are now safe at home in Louisville, Kentucky and temporarily on display in the Museum's Pee Wee Reese Gallery.

"Each of these documents is a piece of baseball history. Every page tells a story," said **Bill Williams**, the Museum's executive director. "These are the players' signatures before people saw them as valuable 'autographs.' And the stories behind each contract are as individual as the signatures themselves. We're encouraging visitors to read between the lines and in the margins, where they'll find unique, handwritten notes. They're really something to see."

For more information, contact the Louisville Slugger Museum, 800 West Main Street, Louisville KY 40202, (502) 588 - 7228.

## IN THEIR OWN LEAGUE AT THE BASEBALL RELIQUARY

"In Their Own League," an exhibition of artifacts from the Baseball Reliquary's permanent collections, as well as baseball-related artworks by Carl Aldana, Jessica Gandolf, Michael Guccione, Greg Jezewski, Ben Sakoguchi, and others will run from September 17 to October 16, at the Saddleback College Art Gallery, 28000 Marguerite Parkway, Mission Viejo, California.

The exhibit includes a display of photographs by Larry Goren featuring California/Anaheim Angel players from the past and present.

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## 2003 Election Results

### By-Laws Replacement

- 429 FOR
- 72 AGAINST
- 13 NO VOTE RECORDED

### FOR PRESIDENT

- 378 Richard Beverage
  - 122 Rodney Johnson
- Write In: Robert Read (1), Kalvin Zitterkob (1)

### FOR DIRECTOR (Unexpired Term)

- 175 Dan Ginsburg
  - 96 Ed Luteran
  - 69 Dan Ross
  - 50 Ron Kaplan
  - 39 Anthony Salazar
  - 34 Al Yellon
  - 26 Bo Carter
- Write In: Dean Thilgen (1)

### FOR DIRECTOR

- 268 Norman Macht
  - 125 Ted Turocy
  - 110 Ed Goldstein
- Write In: Carlos Bauer (1), Dan Cagley (1), Bill Nowlin (1), Calvin Zitterkob (1).

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**NORTHEAST INDIANA BASEBALL ASSOCIATION AT THE AMERICAN HERITAGE VILLAGE MUSEUM**

The Fort Wayne Oldtimer's Baseball Association, organized in 1946, and recently named the Northeast Indiana Baseball Association, has long sought a home to house its extensive collection of memorabilia and Hall of Fame portraits. After nearly 60 years at being unsuccessful in this effort, the American Heritage Village complex has generously offered the diamond enthusiasts a "home" thanks to the Dean V. Kruse Foundation. For more information contact the Northeast Indiana Baseball Association c/o **Denver Howard**, 6440 Fairfield #110, Fort Wayne IN 46807, (219) 744-5636.

**BASEBALL AS AMERICA IN CINCY**

*Baseball As America* has closed in Chicago and has opened at the Cincinnati Museum Center on August 16, 2003 and run through November 9.

The exhibition reveals how baseball has served as both a public reflection of, and catalyst for, the evolution of American culture and society. *Baseball As America* also examines how the American landscape, our language, literature, movies, and summertime living all bear the mark of a 19th-century game that continues to be identified with our nation's values and aspirations.

After Cincinnati, the exhibit heads south for the winter to Saint Petersburg, Florida.

For more information and a schedule of other cities hosting the exhibit, contact Cincinnati Museum Center, 1301 Western Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45203-1130, (800) 733-2077, or visit the web site <[www.baseballasamerica.org](http://www.baseballasamerica.org)>.

**PLAY BALL AT THE BOB BULLOCK TEXAS STATE HISTORY MUSEUM**

*Play Ball!* is a current exhibit at the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum in Austin showcasing the state's special connection to the game. The temporary exhibit, which continues until January 4, 2004, takes a unique approach by incorporating interactive and distinctive features. For example, visitors can record their own Texas League radio broadcast, complete with ballgame sound effects; they can learn about the origins of the San Antonio Missions' outrageous "puffy

taco" mascot; or they can hear recorded anecdotes from legendary Texas ballplayers like John Miles.

The museum exhibit also showcases native Texan baseball Hall of Famers such as Nolan Ryan, Rube Foster and a live one-man show depicting Austin's Willie Wells. Other portions of the exhibit feature ballpark innovations created in Texas, such as air-conditioned restrooms for women, and an interactive session devoted to sharing Texas baseball memories.

For more information, contact the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum, 1800 N. Congress Avenue, Austin TX 78701, (866) 369-7108.

**BABE RUTH MUSEUM DISPLAYS LOCK OF BABE'S HAIR**

The Babe Ruth Museum has recently put on display a lock of Babe Ruth's hair, that was originally cut to honor the request of a fan. It is on loan from famed baseball memorabilia collector Barry Halper.

The story goes that a young fan named Mathew Ward wrote Babe asking for a lock of hair. Babe felt compelled to honor the request, writing in his responding letter, "you are the first person to ask me for some of my hair. Therefore, I feel I am obligated to comply with such a request at least once. You will find enclosed an envelope containing some of my hair. I don't know what you're going to do with it, but I hope you enjoy it."

**TY COBB'S DENTURES MAKE THEIR WAY HOME TO ROYSTON**

Ty Cobb's dentures were unveiled on June 20, 2003 at a reception in the Ty Cobb Museum. The dentures owned by Ms. Karen Shemonsky will be on display for an indefinite period of time.

Ms. Shemonsky purchased the dentures almost three years ago from the Barry Halper auction held at Sotheby's in New York City. Ms. Shemonsky and her husband Gene made the trip to New York City on September 26, 1999, to attend the auction only to discover that the dentures would not be auctioned until the next day. They drove home disappointed but determined to still make a bid, which she did the next day, by phone.

For more information, call or write to Ty Cobb Museum, 461 Cook Street, Royston, GA, 30662, (706) 245-1826.

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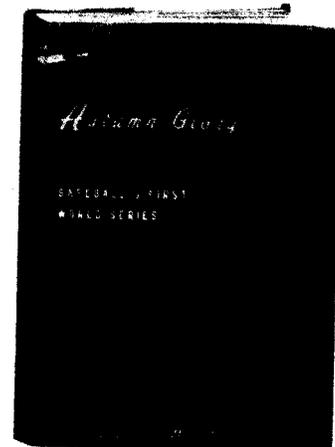
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## Message from the Executive Director

The SABR web site is once again evolving, making it more useful for the baseball researcher and writer, and better fulfills SABR's purpose of facilitating and disseminating baseball research. We now have a searchable content management system in place. See the related story on page 13 for more information.

As you all know by now, *The SABR Bulletin* was cut back to four issues this year, primarily so SABR could bring you *Deadball Era Stars: The National League* later this year. In an effort to keep members more informed, I have been sending out e-mail messages (about one every week to 10 days) to all members who have an e-mail address on file with SABR. About 70% of all members have an e-mail address on file, but I am sure there are many more of you who have not yet shared your e-mail address with SABR. Many members have commented on how these e-mails help keep them more in touch with what is happening, making them feel more in touch with the organization.

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I have worked for SABR in one capacity or another for 13 years now, and have been executive director since January 1, and one thing is very clear to me. SABR is an outstanding organization that has existed for the past 32 years relying too much on breaking even each year. We budget each year to break even, and most years we do, plus or minus a few thousand dollars. In 32 years, our reserve fund (the amount SABR has taken in over the amount spent) is still less than \$100,000, or about one-quarter of our annual operating expenses. Most non-profit membership organizations have a goal of having six months to a year's worth of operating expenses in reserve, so we have some work to do. Also, SABR's Endowment is still less than \$5,000, meaning that it has a long way to go before its interest and investment income can help support any programming.

So what needs to be done? One thing we can do is to raise more money through donations from the membership and/or the general public. About 10% of all members made a donation to SABR in the past year; I'd like to increase that percentage, and, obviously, I need your help.

If you have been making an annual donation to SABR on a regular basis, thank you! My challenge to you is to increase your gift. If every donor increased his or her gift by \$1, we'd raise over \$600, which pays the annual expenses of nearly any one research committee, or covers 6 months of the office's Internet access, or covers a little more than 2 months of the costs of the office copier/printer/scanner. It's a start.

A second way you can help is to make SABR part of your estate plans. Consider including SABR in your will. While leaving SABR your baseball papers and books is a very important and worthwhile gesture of support for baseball research and history, it costs SABR time and money to use these gifts properly. If also gave SABR a portion of your estate, even 5%, your gift can have a more long-lasting impact. I am always willing to discuss any way that you are willing and able to help make SABR an organization on a more solid financial footing. You can call me at 1-800-969-7227 or e-mail me at jzajc@sabr.org.

John Zajc  
Executive Director

## Web Site Takes Leap Forward

If you have not been to [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org) recently, you need to check it out soon and more often.

In August, the SABR website was upgraded to allow the membership to contribute content to it directly, and this content will be readily searchable across the entire site.

This upgrade has not changed the look and feel of the [sabr.org](http://sabr.org) site very much. Instead, the upgrade implements a Content Management System (CMS). Readers of the internet committee's May 2001 scope document will recall the goal of establishing an "Online Research Warehouse" – well, this is it.

With the CMS in place, you can now post your research to the SABR web site or easily search the site for research or information which interests you.

We expect that chapters and research committees will use this functionality as follows:

- each will ask for certain individuals to be named editors
- each will provide a list of members who should be given author rights
- authors will submit content
- chapter and committee editors will review it and approve it

You can imagine how rich and deep the content on the SABR site will be in five or ten years time, as the various research holdings of individual members and committees are digitized and made available.

If you are interested in adding material to the site or volunteering as a general editor, contact me at [f.x.flinn@mindspring.com](mailto:f.x.flinn@mindspring.com).

Congratulations to the SABR Membership Office and DMLCo for their outstanding work in bringing us to this point.

Onwards!

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3. On the "Welcome to Yahoo Page" move the cursor on the word "Sign Up Now"
4. Choose the the "free version" on the left by clicking on "Sign Up Now"
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After establishing your free email account, send a message to: [info@sabr.org](mailto:info@sabr.org) and register your email with us for free SABR updates and news.

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## Recently on SABR-L

In August, **Tom Ruane** did a quick analysis of the RBIs of Reggie Jackson and Harmon Killebrew in 1971 (in conjunction with some work he was doing for Retrosheet, [www.retrosheet.org](http://www.retrosheet.org)) that showed Killebrew had more plate appearances with runners on base than Jackson that season and made excellent use of them, outslugging Jackson .550 to .434 and driving in 111 runs to Jackson's 56. When those runners were in scoring position, the gap was even wider that season, Killebrew slugging .585 and Jackson only .308. Jackson, however, did outhit Killebrew that season with the bases empty, slugging at .563 to Killebrew's .371. Jackson led the league with 24 solo home runs that season.

Other threads at SABR-L have included Brooks Kieschnick's interesting career path and season, Giants' leads in pennant races, and many more.

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## Finding Baseball Images on the Web

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<http://www.ruckerarchive.com/>

**Mark Rucker** heads Transcendental Graphics, a firm which specializes in providing baseball photos.

<http://www.baseballhalloffame.org/library/photos.htm>

**Pat Kelly** heads the photo department of the National Baseball Library at the Hall of Fame in Cooperstown.

<http://www.sportingnews.com/archives/baseball.html>

**Steve Gietschier** is Director of Research at The Sporting News. His organization has an archive of photos which are for sale to the public.

<http://www.bruce-murray.com/>

**Shawn Murray** heads the photo enterprise Bruce Murray collection.

<http://www.bluecurl.com/ncbbp/>

**Tom Shieber's** website contains a catalogue of 19th century baseball images.

# IN MEMORIAM

## LEONARD KOPPETT

Leonard Koppett, a SABR member since 1985, died June 22, 2003, in San Francisco. He was 79.

Koppett was an influential sportswriter and author of 15 books including *The Thinking Man's Guide to Baseball*. His legendary writing status garnered many accolades including the 1992 J.G. Taylor Spink Award, which honors a baseball writer "for meritorious contributions to baseball writing."

Born in Russia, Koppett moved to New York City when he was 5, living one block from Yankee Stadium. He was a graduate of Columbia University and after college, Koppett worked for various New York newspapers, bringing a statistical analysis to sportswriting that hadn't previously existed in popular sports journalism.

In 1973, Koppett became the *New York Times*' first West Coast sports correspondent and later became editor of the *Peninsula Times Tribune*. He later wrote for the *New York Times*, the *San Francisco Chronicle* and many other newspapers nationwide including the *Seattle Times*.

Koppett is survived by his wife, Suzanne; his son, David; and his daughter, Katherine.

## STANLEY KUMINSKI

Stanley Kuminiski, 87, of Ft. Pierce, Florida, died of a stroke on May 22, 2003.

*Our deepest sympathies go out to all those who have experienced loss in the SABR family.*

He joined SABR in 1973 and published two articles, "Singles are Important, Too" (1974) and "Grounding Into Double Plays" (1976) both in the *Baseball Research Journal*.

He is survived by his sister, Helen Kuminski, who made a generous donation to SABR in his memory.

## EDWIN A. "ED" KOLLER

Ed Koller, a SABR member since 1985, passed away on May 22, 2003 from cancer in North Hollywood. He was 88.

Ed was a member of the Collegiate and Minor League Committees, but his real interest was following the Cleveland Indians. When Ed was young, his family had a hardware store in what is now the Gateway district near Jacobs Field, not far from the SABR office.

## WILLIAM TATORAITIS

Billy Tatoraitis, 87, of St. Petersburg and Grand Bend Ontario, passed on March 4. A SABR member since 1982, Billy was a retired industrial and safety engineer who had degrees from Detroit Institute of Technology, University of Toledo, and Akron University. He was active in softball, golf, bowling and many organizations including the Gulfport boomerang Softball Team and the SABR Sluggers. He is survived by his life-long friend, "Minnie Tvaska."

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visiting colleges to gather information to add to the database. He visited Saint Louis University, Washington University, Emporia State, University of Denver, University of Colorado-Boulder, University of Utah, Utah State, College of Southern Idaho, Eastern Oregon University, Whitman College, Lewis-Clark State, Montana State, South Dakota State University, Iowa State, Cornell College, and Fairfield Library, which houses Parsons College yearbooks. Parsons closed in 1973 but had a strong program in the mid-1960s, producing six major leaguers.

### **DEADBALL ERA COMMITTEE**

In addition to their work on the upcoming *Deadball Era Stars: The National League*, edited by Committee Chair **Tom Simon**, the committee announced that Jim Reisler was the recipient of this year's Larry Ritter Award for his book, *Before They Were the Bombers: The New York Yankees' Early Years, 1903-1915* (McFarland, 2002).

The Larry Ritter Book Award was established to honor the best book, primarily set in, or primarily about the deadball era, published each year. The selection committee consisted of **Al Blumkin**, **Scott Flatow**, **Paul Rogers** (Chair), **David Shiner**, **Tom Simon**, and **Dick Thompson**.

### **MINOR LEAGUE**

The Minor League Committee continues its search to replace **Bob McConnell** as chair. If you are interested in chairing the committee, please contact Board liaison to research committees **Andy McCue**, 4025 Beechwood Place, Riverside CA 92506 or [agmccue44@earthlink.net](mailto:agmccue44@earthlink.net).

The April 2003 newsletter includes a section on discussion of batting champions and some pitfalls in determining them. **Jim Holl** contributes an article "Fifty Bucks and a Ball Club (the 1905 Ohio-Pennsylvania League). **Lloyd Johnson** updates the progress of the Minor League Statistics project for The National Pastime Museum of Minor League Baseball. **Arthur Schott** contributes some tidbits such as in his first American Association league game on August 18, 1957. Ben Mateosky hit homeruns in his first two at-bats; and Bob Riesner, pitching for Alexandria in the Evangeline League in 1957, won 20 games and lost none.

### **NEGRO LEAGUES**

The June edition of the Negro Leagues Courier featured a short tribute to Hall of Fame sportswriter Sam Lacy, who used his position on the staff of The Baltimore Afro-American and other papers to fight for the recognition of the Negro Leagues and integration of the major leagues. He died May 8. A list of available Sam Lacy articles are provided.

Also included are a listing of recent books and articles featuring the Negro Leagues or players from the Negro Leagues.

### **PICTORIAL HISTORY**

In June, the Pictorial History Committee announced that their Player Image Index is missing fewer than 1300 players. According to their newsletter, submissions of photo references for missing players are continuing to come into the Committee but they still need help on their goal of cataloging photos for individuals who have appeared in major league games. For a missing players list, contact **Bill Hickman**.

The August edition of the Pictorial History Committee Newsletter included a recap of their committee meeting at SABR 33. Also, there is growing interest in establishing a central location for the storage of amateur photos which are currently stored as slides. The project is the brainchild of **Bob Wilson**, who encourages interested parties to contact him by emailing [wilson@rigel.astro.ufl.edu](mailto:wilson@rigel.astro.ufl.edu) if they are interested in working on this project.

### **SCIENCE & BASEBALL**

The second edition of "The Rising Fastball" (8 pages) contains an article by co-chair **Alan M. Nathan** called "Some Remarks on Corked Bats." There is also a section called "Research Briefs" listing several dozen citations of science and sport articles.

All SABR members are invited to join the Science and Baseball Committee. To join, contact **Ken Heard**, 40 Bartlett Avenue, Providence RI 02905-1335, or [khea3028@postoffice.uri.edu](mailto:khea3028@postoffice.uri.edu).

### **SCOUTS**

At SABR 33, the Scouting Committee presented their third annual Roland Hemond Award to Pat Gillick, the former general manager of the New York Yankees, Toronto Blue Jays, the Baltimore

Orioles, and currently the GM of the Seattle Mariners. The award goes annually to the major league executive who best combines (or combined) a deep sense of baseball history and a deep feeling for the scouting profession.

The Scouting Committee also recently announced that **Rod Nelson** was elevated from Vice-Chairman to Co-Chairman. Be sure to check the on-line version of the "Who Signed Who: Player Database" on [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org) by clicking "Research" on the green menu.

### **SPRING TRAINING**

The latest issue of "Spring Flings" features a few notes from the Chair, **Kevin Saldana** and a welcome to new Committee members in addition to "A Spring Training Tidbit" with a sample listing from the hometown teams in the training project.

### **STATISTICAL ANALYSIS**

The February issue of "By the Numbers" features, among other interesting items, the articles "The Predictive Value of Half-Season Statistics" by **Dan Levitt** (his admittedly small sample did not yield any predictive results), "Applications of Win Probabilities" by **Phil Birnbaum** (includes some probability tables drawn from Retrosheet data), "Platooning Voros McCracken by **Clem Comly** and "The Bestest--Baseball Dynasties Revisited" by **Phil Melita**. In addition, this issue includes a book review of *Moneyball* and recent committee news.

Recent issues (from October 1998 to present) of "By the Numbers" are available at [www.philbirnbaum.com](http://www.philbirnbaum.com).

### **UMPIRES & RULES**

The Spring edition of "The Right Call" features a listing of the 2003 MLB Umpire Crew Chiefs and Crews. Also included is a short review of Ken Kaiser's memoir *Planet of the Umps* and umpiring snippet from a 1905 edition of *Sporting Life* contributed by **Skip McAfee**.

### **WOMEN IN BASEBALL**

The May newsletter of the Women in Baseball Committee includes an update on the history of women in baseball book project. Also included is a theoretical Women's All-Star Team put together by members of the committee.

## Reports Now Available

If you are interested in receiving the annual reports of the Research Committees, as well as a copy of reports presented at the annual convention, request them from the SABR office (812 Huron Rd E #719, Cleveland OH 44115). All donors of \$50 or more have/will receive the SABR Annual Report automatically.

Also always available upon request are the minutes of SABR Board of Directors meeting, the annual business meeting and financial reports.

### **SPIRIT OF SABR SALUTE**

In each *Bulletin*, this space will be devoted to recognizing SABR members who, on their own initiative or on request, have assisted other members in their research projects - what SABR is all about. The only source of names will be you, the membership. There will be no judges, no committees, no competition. All names submitted will be printed; their nominators will not be identified.

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Submit names for the Spirit of SABR Salute by sending recipient's name to: Spirit of SABR Salute, 812 Huron Rd E #719, Cleveland OH 44115.

## RESEARCH NEEDS

**Derby Gisclair**, 404 Notre Dame Street, Penthouse #1, New Orleans, LA 70130-7906, (504) 522-1926, email: derbygisclair@cox.net, is seeking pictures, documents and memorabilia related to the New Orleans Pelicans. Also, contact information for former Pelican players is needed in order to obtain their oral history.

**Stephen Thorne**, 3501 Shoreline Dr #534 Austin, TX 78728-4489, (512) 310-7717, email: prairieboy73@canada.com, seeks information about James Edward "Tip" O'Neill. He played during the 19th century, mostly for the STL Browns of the AA. Any tips would be appreciated.

**Tom Rathkamp**, W53 N849 Castle CT. Cedarburg, WI. 53012, email tommyr@wi.rr.com, seeks information on Al Simmons, for a full-length biography project. Information can include contacts/resources, relatives of players who played with Simmons, and so on.

**Blaise Lamphier**, 21 Lakeview Park, Rochester, NY 14613-1746, (585) 254-5802, email: AllNationsBB@aol.com, seeks information on the earliest known uses on team uniforms (either professional or amateur) of memorials for players or team officials who passed away; i.e., known uses of armbands, black ribbons or the like. I am particularly interested on any references to 19th century ball.

**David C. Southwick**, 765 East Broadway South Boston, MA 02127-2345, email: soxpapers@hotmail.com, seeks Boston Red Sox team reports from *The Sporting News* (1901-2001) and *USA Today Baseball Weekly* (1991-2001). Can reimburse for copying.

**Jane Richard** 339 School Street, Healdsburg, CA 95448, (707) 431-0272, email: kiwigirlsf@attbi.com, seeks any information or possible sources available about a minor league catcher Max I. Goldstein in New York City in the 1930's.

## Centennial Celebrity Results

Thanks to everyone who participated in this 2003 Centennial Celebrity survey. Even though the "Iron Horse" won handily, many remarked that this year was by far the toughest year in recent memory for making selections.

|                   | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | Totals |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|--------|
| Lou Gehrig        | 89  | 7   | 4   | 470    |
| Carl Hubbell      | 3   | 28  | 23  | 122    |
| Mickey Cochrane   | 4   | 22  | 20  | 106    |
| Charlie Gehringer | 4   | 18  | 16  | 90     |
| "Cool Papa" Bell  | 4   | 18  | 15  | 89     |
| Paul Waner        | 1   | 12  | 22  | 63     |
| Tony Lazzeri      | 0   | 2   | 4   | 10     |
| Chick Hafey       | 1   | 0   | 1   | 6      |
| Travis Jackson    | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0      |

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A complete list of the more than 4,500 articles in the Research Library is available from Len Levin at the address above. The cost is \$3.00 for copying and mailing.

You can contact Len at the address above, by phone at 401-351-3278, or by e-mail at: [lenlevin5@hotmail.com](mailto:lenlevin5@hotmail.com).

Len welcomes your additions to the Research Library. Feel free to send them to him at the address above, or to call or send him an e-mail if you have any questions. Other texts from the Denver convention will be listed in the next SABR Bulletin.

**Ardell, Jean:** Three women of color in major league baseball's front offices. 6 pages

**Ardolino, Frank:** Missionaries, Cartwright and Spalding: The development of baseball in nineteenth century Hawaii. 12 pages. A winner of the McFarland-SABR Award. Copy of article in *Nine: A Journal of Baseball History and Culture*, Vol. 10, No. 2, 2002.

**Briley, Ron:** In the tradition of Jackie Robinson: Ozzie Virgil and the integration of the Detroit Tigers. 28 pages. A winner of the McFarland-SABR Award. Copy of article accepted for publication in *Cooperstown Anthology*, 2002.

**Christian, Ralph:** Beyond Eight Men Out: The Des Moines Connection to the Black Sox scandal. 9 pages.

**Faber, Charles F.:** The effect of World War II on baseball records. 8 pages.

**Gilbert, Bill:** Growing up with the Denver Bears in the Western League. 26 pages.

**Jarvis, John F.:** Trends, exceptions and results of intentional base on balls usage. 10 pages. Statistical study.

**Kanter, Mark:** Rick Wise retires 32 consecutive batters. 3 pages. An account of a game in 19—.

**Lehn, William:** Signs: Baseball's hidden language.

**Macht, Norman:** The evolution of Sunday baseball. 9 pages.

**Macht, Norman:** (colorful players).

**Martin, James E.:** Jimmie Foxx. 10 pages. Brief biography.

**McConnell, Jim:** "Dahlgren You're in There." 4 pages. A winner of the McFarland-SABR Award. Copy of article in *Grandstand Baseball Annual*, 2002, consisting of interview with Dahlgren, who replaced Lou Gehrig at first base for the Yankees.

**McGrath, Ben:** The professor of baseball. 8 pages. Profile of stats maven and SABR member Bill James. Copy of article in the *New Yorker*, July 14, 2003.

**McMahon, William:** The heyday of the farm system, 1930-62, with emphasis on the Indians and Reds. 12 pages, including various lists.

**Morong, Cyril:** Does team clutch matter? 7 pages. Statistical study.

**Morris, Peter:** Origins of the word "fan." 6 pages.

**Parr, Royse:** Summer of 1937: Leyden Coal's Allie Reynolds. 4 pages. An account of the pitchers season with a Colorado semipro team.

**Saccoman, John T.:** Why is Gil Hodges STILL not in the Hall of Fame? 8 pages.

**Selter, Ron:** Ballpark dimensions and batting. 19 pages.

**Smith, David W.:** Do good teams win most of the close games? 10 pages. Statistical study.

**Tuten, Christopher S., and Christopher S. Lamb:** Baseball and the Civil War: Birth of a national game. 29 pages.

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You can borrow up to three reels of microfilm for a three-week period (and can renew the loan for an additional three weeks, if necessary). Most members will take the microfilm to their local library and read it on the microfilm readers there. Other more serious researchers have purchased their own microfilm readers.

### SEARCH THROUGH ONLINE DIGITAL LIBRARIES AND RETROSHEET

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For those doing research on the 19th century, the Brooklyn Public Library has made the *Brooklyn Daily Eagle* available online for the years 1841 to 1902. Go to <http://eagle.brooklynpubliclibrary.org>

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SABRs financial situation is better than it has been for some time. During the past two years we have implemented a more disciplined budgeting process that has forced the board to confront difficult choices while also providing the executive director and membership office with clear spending guidelines. For example, in 2003 we will be taking something of a loss on dues revenue while incurring expenses for two significant member benefits, the first Deadball volume and the completion of the web development project's initial goals. We're able to do this consciously in the full knowledge of how it impacts our nest egg. In tandem with a new forecasting model that permits SABR management and directors to monitor the Society's performance on a monthly basis, the changes implemented since 2001 give the membership clarity and transparency. We're pleased to offer the 2002 final results this year along with comparable results since 1999. During the 2004 fiscal year the newly formed Audit Committee will focus on developing a seamless single-software accounting system that will reconcile our traditional financial statements with our new budgeting system. I invite interested members to visit the organizational pages on the members-only website for access to SABRs complete financial statements, and I welcome your phone calls or emails if you have particular questions.

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### SABR Operations 1999 - 2003

| Summary                   |                                 | 2003<br>Projected | 2003<br>Budget   | 2002<br>Actuals  | 2002<br>Budget    | 2001<br>Actuals  | 2000<br>Actuals  | 1999<br>Actuals  |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Revenues</b>           | Administrative                  | \$347,890         | \$366,091        | \$365,161        | \$365,700         | \$382,647        | \$363,396        | \$371,265        |
|                           | Outreach                        | \$31,943          | \$28,464         | \$33,692         | \$42,875          | \$46,433         | \$24,079         | \$21,227         |
|                           | <b>Total Revenues</b>           | <b>\$379,833</b>  | <b>\$394,555</b> | <b>\$398,853</b> | <b>\$408,575</b>  | <b>\$429,080</b> | <b>\$387,475</b> | <b>\$392,492</b> |
| <b>Payroll</b>            | Administrative                  | \$114,316         | \$110,532        | \$98,592         | \$141,650         | \$127,641        | \$95,128         | \$117,570        |
|                           | Publications                    | \$36,000          | \$36,000         | \$30,000         | \$0               | \$47,208         | \$50,000         | \$50,000         |
|                           | <b>Total Payroll</b>            | <b>\$150,316</b>  | <b>\$146,532</b> | <b>\$128,592</b> | <b>\$141,650</b>  | <b>\$174,849</b> | <b>\$145,128</b> | <b>\$167,570</b> |
| <b>Operating Expenses</b> | Administrative                  | \$76,233          | \$81,155         | \$86,211         | \$105,200         | \$94,654         | \$89,467         | \$82,275         |
|                           | Member                          | \$39,900          | \$38,750         | \$54,484         | \$62,750          | \$70,772         | \$58,062         | \$72,009         |
|                           | Outreach                        | \$135,344         | \$125,074        | \$79,815         | \$88,200          | \$114,111        | \$97,461         | \$73,736         |
|                           | Executive                       |                   |                  |                  |                   |                  |                  |                  |
|                           | <b>Total Operating Expenses</b> | <b>\$251,478</b>  | <b>\$244,979</b> | <b>\$220,510</b> | <b>\$256,150</b>  | <b>\$279,537</b> | <b>\$244,989</b> | <b>\$228,020</b> |
| <b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>  | <b>(\$21,961)</b>               | <b>\$3,045</b>    | <b>\$49,751</b>  | <b>\$10,775</b>  | <b>(\$25,306)</b> | <b>(\$2,643)</b> | <b>(\$3,098)</b> |                  |

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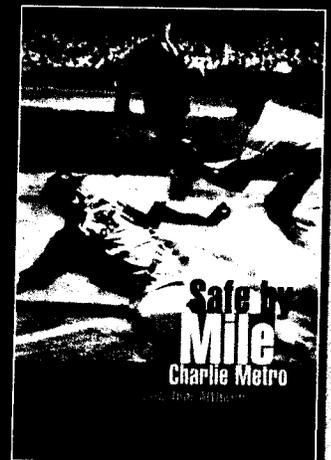
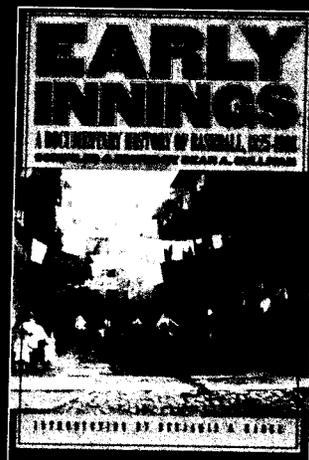
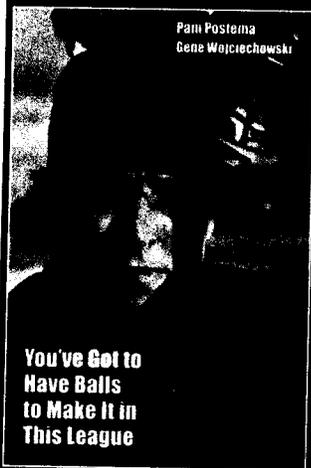
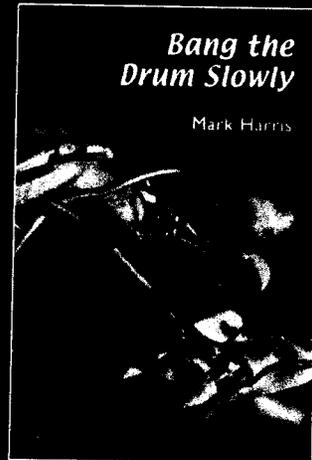
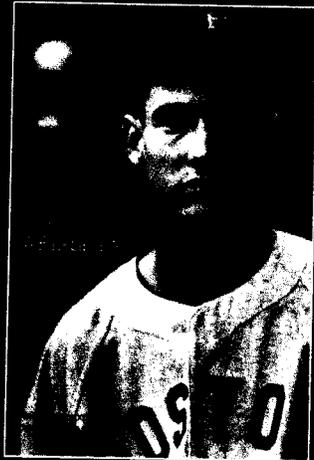
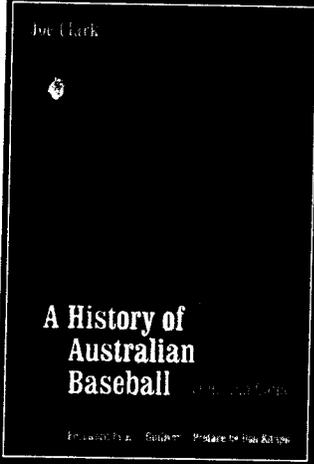
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marks, predicted a continuing trend toward rapid decline of popularity for baseball. Gillette quoted a Harris Poll that asked people who follow sports, "Which is your one favorite sport?" Baseball was chosen by only 14%.

Gould observed that many decisions highlight the need for increased regulation of baseball, as MLB comes close to implosion in its unwillingness to self-regulate. Antitrust exemption will not be much changed in 2020, he believes, but there will be more justifications for it.

Friday's events ended with many

SABR members walking to Coor's Field for a great game against the Dodgers. The weather was picture perfect as new SABR President **Dick Beverage**, Rocky Mountain SABR Chapter President **Paul Parker** and Executive Director **John Zajc** were recognized during pre-game ceremonies.

### **SPECIAL SESSION: COORS FIELD BALLPARK BRAINTRUST**

On Saturday, after a Scouts Roundtable discussion with Pat Gillick, many SABR members attended the Coors Field Braintrust. This special session, moderated by **Paul Parker**, included personnel from Coors Field assembled to describe their work, and field questions from members about the ballpark.

Parker, the Rockies' Team Historian, provided the listeners with a quick history of Denver ballparks. Prior to Coors Field, baseball was played in Mile High Stadium for 2 years; Bears Stadium (which added enough seats to the 73,000 existing seats in order to break the 80,226 LA Dodgers record), Merchants Park before that, and even before that, Broadway Park.

Mark Razum, who appeared in the session despite it being a game day, contributed to the discussion on ballparks by revealing techniques used by the Coors Field crew; he is the Head Groundskeeper.

Kevin Kahn, VP of Ballpark Operations and Dave Moore, Director of Coors Field Development, added to the lively, informative talk. Each one replied to inquiries about the escalators, the TV monitors, and even about "Earth Man" a popular beer vendor.

### **LUNCHEON BANQUET**

The luncheon banquet took place Saturday afternoon with **Chip Atkison** as master of ceremonies. Members enjoyed dining as many SABR received accolades for the efforts over the past year (see page 1). **Roland Hemond** was on hand to present the Roland Hemond Award to Pat Gillick. Gillick praised SABR for its efforts in preserving the heritage and history of baseball scouting. Former Major League Umpire Jim Evans delivered the keynote address followed by a Q&A session afterwards.

### **SPECIAL SESSION: WHAT THEY THREW**

After the banquet, many members took a bus trip to nearby Colorado Springs for a minor league game. Those who

stayed, however, were treated to a great presentation by **Bill James** and **Rob Neyer**. For more than ten years, Bill James and Rob Neyer have been compiling information on pitching repertoires. This session represented the first step in the process of sharing this information with other baseball researchers and the public.

### **SPECIAL SESSION: LIVING HISTORY**

Saturday convention attendees were also treated with a panel discussion moderated by **Jay Sanford** (*Denver Post Tournament*) featuring former Negro League players Byron "Mex" Johnson and William Richardson, who regaled the audience with their experiences and memories.

Kansas City Monarch shortstop Byron Johnson recounted the 1933 Negro Leagues East-West All-Star Game, and considered it the pinnacle of his career. He credited the assembled SABRen with knowing who "the great Turkey Stearnes" was; in an All-Star Game Turkey promised his bat to Johnson, if he got a hit. Using "my own peculiar stance" he hit "my favorite spot" of the ball and remains thrilled to this day.

William Richardson remembered his own early struggles, his family commitments despite his college scholarship and his thirst for learning from the best players of his time. Richardson expressed gratitude toward people like Donn Clendenon who were helpful to him.

When asked about his pitching, he quickly recollected the day in 1953 when he faced the Memphis Red Sox in 110-degree weather. Throwing in the "high 90s" he came into the game in the 6<sup>th</sup> inning with the bases loaded, and struck out the side.

### **PUBLICLY FUNDED STADIA AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

**Doug Pappas**, chairman of the Business of Baseball Committee, served as Moderator of the panel. The distinguished members included Dr. Andrew Zimbalist, Tom Gleason, and Karle Seydel.

Seydel, the president of Urban Options, a Denver group involved with urban neighborhood revitalization, spoke about the very positive economic impact the Rockies, and more specifically Coors Field has had for the downtown area.

Zimbalist, a Robert A. Woods profes-

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sor of economics at Smith College, spoke about the large regional fan base the Rockies have. In marked contrast to a local team such as Baltimore, the Rockies regional following, creates a desire for fans to make the trip to Coors Field, thereby creating extra revenue for the team and city.

Gleason, who served as former Deputy Director of the Denver Metropolitan Major League Baseball District, which helped finance, design, construct and lease Coors Field, spoke about the process of getting approval for Coors Field. Gleason believes that once the downtown site was chosen, the spark was ignited to unify the government and public sectors behind the project.

The panelists then addressed the issues if public money should be spent to build a stadium, and if it is built, where to build it?

### **EDDIE GOLD TRIBUTE & TRIVIA CONTEST**

**Al Blumkin**, winner of multiple individual and team trivia contests, rendered a tribute to the late Eddie Gold, a trivia expert and frequent winner on various teams, calling him "a father and a brother" to every SABR member because of Eddie's annual presence at the conventions, and the joy he brought to SABR.

**Ted DiTullio**, spoke of his own gratitude toward Eddie. Afterwards, **Ed Luteran** acknowledged the recent death of Eddie's best friend at the conventions, Chicago member **Bob Garfinkle**, also in October of 2002.

The SABR 33 Trivia contest marked the last time that Ed Luteran will emcee the event. Ed will be replaced by Al Blumkin. **Alan Usereau** won the individual competition and the team of **Mark Kanter**, **Mike Caragliano**, **Bob Tiemann** won the team competition.

### **REGIONAL LEADERS CONFERENCE**

Chapter Leaders Meeting SABR Vice President **Stew Thornley** chaired the "Chapter Leaders Seminar," and the meeting focused primarily on the importance of email use - specifically via the website, as the chief means for contacting chapter members. Internet Core Committee Chair **F.X. Flinn** and ICC member **Daniel Levine** (of DMLCo) demonstrated the use and functions of [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org) on the website itself, manipulating the in-

put given by the attendees.

They each clarified instructions for navigating the web pages, and encouraged all members to directly communicate any difficulties to them. Among the highlights: Any SABR member can join a chapter's email distribution list, no matter where that member lives. "Snowbirds" who winter in sunnier climates, can be aware of SABR events in that region, while simultaneously keeping their address in their "own" chapter - or just be on one list, temporarily, until resuming regular residency in the original chapter.

Zip codes are commonly used for grouping each chapter, although leaders do have administrative roles that allow management of zip codes. Attachments such as zip files (and possibly PDF files) are acceptable. Specific searches should go to the home office, with the request. Chapter members with no email are sent, in a list, to the leader, so that a record is available of those who have not received the chapter email.

### **INTERNET COMMITTEE**

Internet Committee chairman **F. X. Flinn** and **Daniel Levine** gave a preview of the much awaited content management system (CMS). The CMS will allow members to add their research to the SABR site via their regional and committee sites. [Editor's Note: The CMS was launched in August; see page 13].

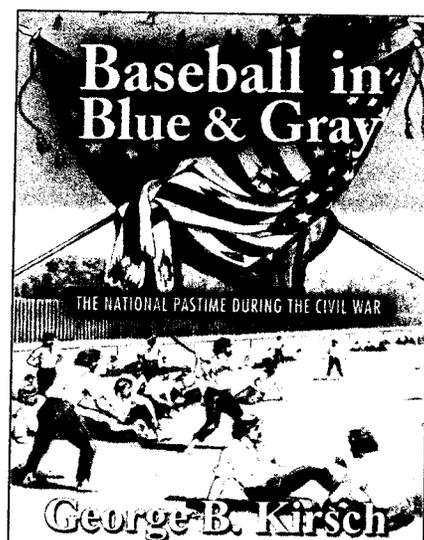
This exciting development will allow an enormous amount of research to be put on the Web, and be shared with everyone. The Scope Document for CMS (Content Management System) was referenced and included these expectations: An Online Data Warehouse where any member can post content to the website (via a chapter leader, or research committee chair, or another designated administrator, as well as the national office). Functionality of content (research, files, data) is searchable, such as "Denver Bears" which can lead to Pictorial History Committee (for photos, as an illustration).

The structure for "Members Only" content is in place, to be activated soon. SABRzine shows Press Release with links, and an interface to simplify access for members to copy-and-paste (and preview). View all the SABR Press Releases,

and follow a menu for more detail. For example, "Convention" detail can lead to Research Presentations, and even more details (which presentation), and so on. SABR Forums will remain, for now, on the website, but as a separate area. Chapter websites at [sabr.org](http://sabr.org) will have the instant linkage, for searchable content.

Executive Director **John Zajc** took the floor for general Q&A, and the newest member of the Chapter Development Committee, **Rick Schabowski** of the Milwaukee chapter, shared his positive and fruitful experiences with setting up a

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chapter website, assisted by the ICC. In addition, the growing use of book group meetings by local chapters to get in touch with and remain in contact with members, proved to be another way of connecting with the membership.

**Adam Ulrey**, of Eugene, Oregon (NWSABR) discussed the success of the Borders Book Group of SABR members who meet on the same date each month, to talk baseball, books, create a theme, invite authors, and even evaluate the group's events and progress.

**CONVENTION PUBLICATIONS**

Through the generous support of *The Denver Post*, *Rocky Mountain News* and the *Denver Newspaper Agency*, convention attendees were treated to two publications: *The Denver Post Tournament* and *Above the Fruited Plain*.

SABR has been able to highlight some

of the many important contributions made by the Rocky Mountain region to the traditions of baseball and were produced especially for the SABR national convention. Those unable to attend the convention can buy copies through the SABR by contacting the office or logging onto to [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org) and clicking on "SABR Store". You can also order them from the SABR office (812 Huron Rd E #719, Cleveland OH 44115) for \$12.95 each or \$25 together (includes shipping).

Chronicling a lost chapter in baseball history, the *Denver Post Tournament*, by **Jay Sanford**, deserves attention. The DPT is perhaps the best kept secret in America's baseball history. In its heyday, the event attracted major and minor-league players, stars from the Negro Leagues, as well as local semi-pro talent. The teams were originally sponsored by local businesses, but many teams recruited the best players available from

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Join us next year in Cincinnati. Dates have not yet been set because we need to wait for a pretty set Major League Baseball schedule in order to be sure we can see a Reds game at Great American Ball Park.

*SABR would like to thank the Colorado Rockies, The Denver Post, The Rocky Mountain News and the Denver Newspaper Agency for their financial support of SABR and its 2003 National Convention.*

*SABR also would like to thank all the members of the Local Convention Committee in Denver for providing such an excellent and memorable convention as well as Evelyn Begley and Rick Schabowski for contributing to this SABR 33 recap.*

**Renewal Notices Coming Soon**

It's that time of the year again.

SABR will be mailing renewal notices in late October to those members who have not already renewed for 2004. Several hundred members have already taken advantage of SABR's three-year membership option, locking their membership dues in place for three years, at a slight discount to the annual rate.

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|                 |     |            |    |
|-----------------|-----|------------|----|
| Babe Ruth       | BOS | 06/24/1919 | 14 |
| Goose Goslin    | WAS | 08/19/1928 | 10 |
| Vic Wertz       | DET | 07/27/1950 | 9  |
| Harry Stovey    | PHI | 05/11/1883 | 8  |
| Vern Stephens   | SLA | 04/26/1945 | 8  |
| Jimmie Foxx     | BOS | 06/04/1938 | 7  |
| Wally Berger    | BSN | 08/05/1931 | 7  |
| Max West        | BSN | 05/28/1942 | 7  |
| Sammy Sosa      | CHN | 08/11/2000 | 7  |
| Frank McCormick | CIN | 08/01/1944 | 7  |
| Ed Morgan       | CLE | 05/13/1930 | 7  |
| Babe Ruth       | NYA | 07/29/1924 | 7  |
| Babe Ruth       | NYA | 09/06/1927 | 7  |
| Lou Gehrig      | NYA | 08/21/1935 | 7  |
| Mike Schmidt    | PHI | 05/03/1979 | 7  |
| Ralph Kiner     | PIT | 09/03/1949 | 7  |
| Ralph Kiner     | PIT | 06/25/1950 | 7  |
| Chet Laabs      | SLA | 07/11/1942 | 7  |
| Roy Sievers     | WAS | 07/27/1957 | 7  |

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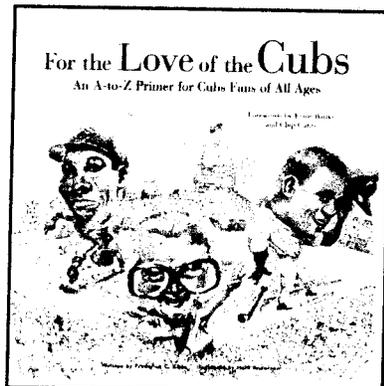
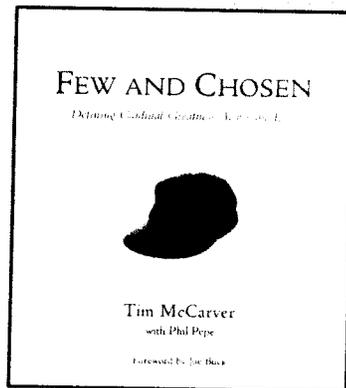
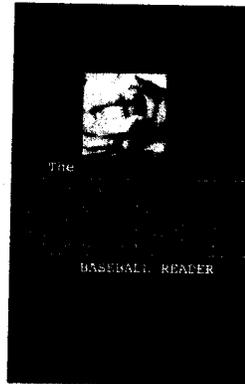
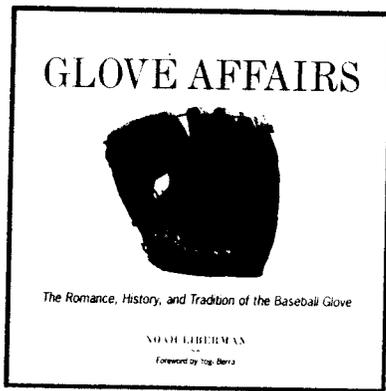
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The SABR Nominating Committee seeks your input for questions to ask candidates on the Candidate Statement Form, as well as nominations for candidates for the Spring 2004 elections. The two offices to be filled are:

- 1) **Vice-President** (2-year term, currently **Stew Thornley**)
- 2) **Director** (3-year term, currently **Rodney Johnson**)

All candidates must have been members of the society for at least the preceding four years before being eligible for election.

**Deadline for nominations is February 1, 2004.** Nominees must prepare a Candidate Statement Form, following guidelines, which will be available from any Nominating Committee member, and must be received by the Nominating Committee chair no later than February 15, 2004.

We seek questions that are office-specific for each of the offices open in this election. We also seek input on general questions for every nominee to answer. Regional Chapter Leaders and Research Committee Chairs are especially encouraged to pass along this request to their respective members, to better address members needs. Self-nominations are welcomed. If you would like to nominate yourself or another candidate or pose a question of the candidates, contact a member of the Nominating Committee.

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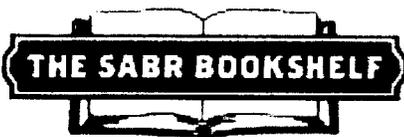
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| The American Association Almanac       | <b>Rex Hamann, Edit.</b>               | Self                 | n/a           | \$ 1.00, sftcvr |      |

One of the more remarkable SABR events of the last several years has been the creation of the BioProject. In 2002 Mark Armour presented a request to the Board to approve a project to write a quality journal length biography of every player who ever appeared in a major league game, as well as any other person who was connected to the game and made significant contributions. A daunting task, to say the least, but the Board was enthusiastic about the proposal, and Mark was on his way.

Early comments that I heard were very skeptical. It will never succeed, there are too many players, how can you research the lives of men who had minimal career, etc. But all of these remarks underestimated the abilities and energies of SABR members. By the end of 2002 the mechanism was in place for assigning biographies, a team of editors had been created with editorial guidelines set, and an editorial process was put in place. As of October 1, 2003, 698 biographies had been assigned with 73 of them completed and on the website.

I took a look at the first group that appeared and was greatly impressed. The depth of research that had obviously been done was readily apparent in the bios of Bob Unglaub, Wes Schulmerich and Wally Berger, the first ones I read. What I enjoyed the most, perhaps, is that the story of the player didn't end when he left the major leagues. What he did after baseball can be equally as interesting.

Although I am a member of the committee, my contributions to the project so far have been limited to providing contacts with rela-

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tives of players and filling in some blanks for the authors. And that has been enjoyable as well. Jack Zerby contacted me early in his work on Wally Berger, who was a friend of mine during his later years, and I provided a few personal items about Wally that Jack found useful. In the course of several e-mails we became acquainted and then met for the first time at the Denver convention. What a nice man he is, and I am pleased to count him among my SABR friends.

That editorial board that Mark has developed has some heavy hitters on it. Fred Ivor-Campbell, one of SABR's best wordsmiths, has been greatly involved, and Jan Finkel is the Chief Editor. Lyle Spatz is responsible for assigning the subjects to the authors.

This wonderful project is obviously going to last for many years and will be an important factor in drawing the SABR community closer together. If you have not read any of this fine work, stop in at their website at <http://bioproj.sabr.org/>.

How about the exciting 2003 season? I was pleased to see some new faces in the post season this year, most especially my boyhood favorites, the Chicago Cubs. There was a nice piece in *Sports Illustrated* last month, describing the bedlam at Wrigley Field on that glorious day when they clinched the Central Division. Prominent in the article was the mention of SABR member and Colgate man (have to plug my alma mater!) Al Yellon, who was attending his 1,616th Cubs game that day. What a record! Needless to say, I'm envious.

**Baseball Fever: Early Baseball in Michigan** by Peter C. Morris is a well-researched study of Michigan baseball from the 1830s to the 1870s drawing on such sources as personal memoirs, period photographs, and an extensive, often hilarious, variety of newspaper accounts.

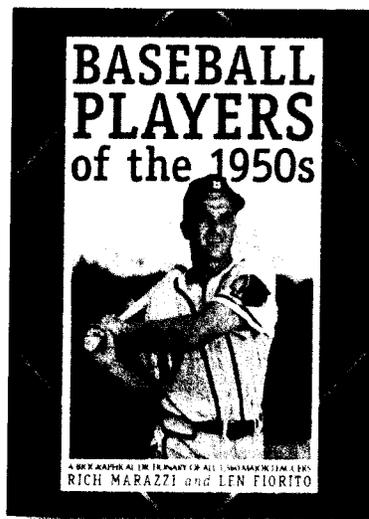
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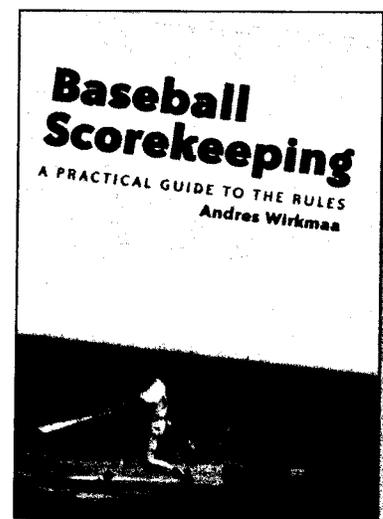
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# RESEARCH COMMITTEES

## BASEBALL RECORDS

The October newsletter of the Baseball Records Committee newsletter tackles Cy Young's major league record for most consecutive hitless innings in a season.

According to the newsletter, there is a disagreement over how many consecutive hitless innings he actually had. **The Sporting News Complete Baseball Record for 2003** (p.87) says 23, from the seventh inning on April 25, through the sixth inning on May 11. **The 2003 Elias Book of Baseball Records** (p.76) says 24, listing the same dates but without naming the starting or ending inning. However, committee member **Trent McCotter**, citing that the streak should have started in the sixth inning, suggests that the Young's total should actually be 25 1/3. No definitive conclusion was drawn from the newsletter.

## BIOGRAPHICAL

In the July/August newsletter, Charles Witherow is the Find of the Month. Witherow played with the Washington Nationals of the National Association in 1875. The 1875 New York Clipper listed his address as 1151 8th Street NW in Washington. **Richard Malatzky** traced this man through Washington city directories and the census. The 1880 census listed him as a clerk in the Treasury Department. According to the newsletter, many Washington players at that time had jobs as "clerks in the Treasury Department." Richard was able to trace him until his death in 1948 at the age of 96.

Also included is the Top 20 missing ballplayers with a short comment about each one.

## BIOPROJECT

The BioProject web site has a new look and new additions. You can check it out by logging on to [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org) and clicking on "Research" in the green left menu. The BioProject (<http://bioproj.sabr.org>) will be the first sublink.

New bio additions include:

"Joe Bauman" by **Bob Rives**. Called "The gentleman-first sacker" because of his reputation for kindness, in 1954 Bauman hit 72 homeruns with the Roswell Rockets to become the first professional player in history with more than 70 in a single season.

"Walter Lanier 'Red' Barber" written by **Warren Corbett** explores the life of one of the first two broadcasters honored by the Hall of Fame.

"A.G. Mills" by **James Mallinson**. Baseball pioneer Abraham Gilbert Mills is remembered-if at all-today for heading the "Mills Commission" which concluded that the game of baseball was invented in America by Civil War General Abner Doubleday. However, this actually represents a very small piece of Mills' fascinating life.

## BUSINESS OF BASEBALL

The Business of Baseball Committee has been very busy since SABR 33 according to the summer edition of the their newsletter, "Outside the Lines."

**Don Coffin**, Associate Professor of Economics of at Indiana University Northwest's School of Business and Economics, has replaced **Claudia Perry** as Vice Chair. Don, a former chair of SABR's Statistical Analysis Committee, will be coordinating a project intended to turn the Committee's Website into a one-stop reference source for those studying the business of baseball. If interested in volunteering help on this project, contact Don at [dcoffin@iun.edu](mailto:dcoffin@iun.edu).

**Mike Grandel** and **Paul Matthew** will serve as co-webmasters for the Committee as they begin posting content to their section of the SABR website.

The General Managers Project, coordinated by **John Matthew**, seeks to identify everyone who has served as a major league general manager, or performed the function of a modern GM without the title. John currently has complete lists from Anaheim, Arizona, Brooklyn/Los Angeles, New York Mets, Pittsburgh, Seattle, Tampa Bay, Texas and Toronto. If you'd like to help with this project, contact John at [john.matthew@rogers.com](mailto:john.matthew@rogers.com).

The committee is also working on the new Front Office History Project, coordinated by **Liesl McCool**. She is seeking to study the evolution of the major league front office, from one-or two-person operations to today's midsized, multifunction business. If you'd like to assist Liesl, contact her at [LMMcCool20@aol.com](mailto:LMMcCool20@aol.com).

## COLLEGIATE COMMITTEE

The Collegiate Committee, especially webmaster **Jeremy Mills**, is working hard

on posting on the web the collegiate database of where major league baseball players played college baseball.

Currently, they've catalogued Division I and Division II schools. They are scheduled to complete Division III near the middle of November.

You can find their website at this address: <http://www.ncaa-baseball.com/sabr/database/>.

## DEADBALL

The Deadball Era Committee, under the editorial leadership of Committee Chair **Tom Simon**, has been hard at work getting ready the much anticipated book, **Deadball Stars of the National League**, that will be sent out free to all 2003 members as their third publication, sometime in December.

In the September issue of *Inside the Game*, Committee Chair Simon discusses baseball-related markers in Vermont and their Deadball Era connections. There are four state historical markers honoring Larry Gardner, Ray Collins' Colechester farm, Burlington's Centennial Field, and the recently added marker commemorating the birthplace of Ray Fisher in Middlebury.

Also included in this issue is a *Deadball Guide to the SABR Convention* by **Gabriel Schechter** and a book review of

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### Committee Newsletters Available from the SABR Office

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# SABR REGIONALS

## Upcoming

### **NOVEMBER 8 ANN ARBOR**

The next meeting of the Ann Arbor Chapter of SABR will be held on Saturday afternoon, November 8th at 1:30 p.m. at a new location – the Ypsilanti District Library on Whittaker Road south of I-94. There will also be an optional lunch prior to the meeting at a restaurant.

Two featured guests and a Hall of Fame contest are on the agenda, as well as a meeting segment to just talk baseball with SABR friends and new acquaintances.

Scheduled guests include Vivian (“Kelly”) Kellogg who played baseball in the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League, and Mike Ignasiak who pitched for the University of Michigan Wolverines in the 1980’s and later pitched for the Milwaukee Brewers in the early 1990’s.

For more information, contact **Jim Lannen** by phone: 734 994-6369 or email: [jlannen@attglobal.net](mailto:jlannen@attglobal.net).

### **INDIANAPOLIS**

The Oscar Charleston Chapter is planning a trip to Cincinnati on November 8 to view “Baseball As America,” the first major exhibition to examine the relationship between baseball and American culture. The caravan is scheduled to meet in the main parking lot at Conner Prairie at 8 a.m. They will carpool for Cincinnati at 8:30 a.m. No reservations required, but please RSVP if you plan on attending. After the tour, they will have lunch in Cincinnati with a trivia quiz and should return by 4 pm. DIRECTIONS: Follow I-

74 east to I-75 south, toward downtown Cincinnati. Exit 2A, Western Avenue will onto Western Avenue going south (do not turn); the entrance to Museum Center is on the right at the third traffic light. The museum opens at 10 am.

For more information, contact **Bill Madden** by phone: 317-842-9856 or email: [wmadden@peoplepc.com](mailto:wmadden@peoplepc.com)

### **NOVEMBER 15 TORONTO**

International Sports Card Expo Dinner will be held Saturday, November 15, 6:00 to 9:00 pm at the Milestone’s Restaurant on 646 Dixon Road, Toronto (Between Highways 401 and 427) Join the Hanlan’s Point Chapter at Milestone’s Restaurant after spending Saturday afternoon at the International Sports Card Expo. The restaurant is only 11 minutes away by auto. To reserve, please contact **Maxwell Kates**. Please also indicate if you are able to provide lift arrangements. There is no deadline to make a reservation. Children are welcome at this event, and be advised that Milestone’s is a non-smoking facility.

### **NOVEMBER 29 SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND**

The Southern New England (Lajoie-Start) Chapter will hold its fall meeting on Saturday, November 29. Making a return visit as their guest speaker will be Joe Morgan, the former manager of the Red Sox. As a highlight, they will present to him a compilation of information (running summaries and box scores) of all his major league games. We’re indebted to RETROSHEET for supplying this material.

For more information contact **Len Levin** by email at [lenlevin5@hotmail.com](mailto:lenlevin5@hotmail.com) or phone at 401-351-3278.

### **FEBRUARY 7 FISHERS, INDIANA**

The Oscar Charleston Chapter will hold a Baseball Symposium on February 7, 2004, at Conner Prairie in Fishers, Indiana. The theme of the symposium will be baseball before 1886.

For more information, contact **Bill Madden** by phone: 317-842-9856 or email: [wmadden@peoplepc.com](mailto:wmadden@peoplepc.com)

### **FEBRUARY 13 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

The SABR Executive Board will meet in Southern California. Agenda items must be submitted to the Executive Director no later than January 6, 2004.

For more information, contact **John Zajc** at [jzajc@sabr.org](mailto:jzajc@sabr.org).

### **APRIL 26 SPRINGFIELD, MASS**

The Rabbit Maranville Chapter is scheduled to meet on Monday evening, April 26. For more information, contact **Charlie Sacheli** email: [CSacheli@aol.com](mailto:CSacheli@aol.com)

## SABR Season

**November 15**

Hanlan’s Point Chapter Meeting  
Contact Maxwell Kates, 416-515-9578

**November 29**

Lajoie-Start Chapter Meeting  
Contact Len Levin, 401-351-3278

**February 7, 2004**

Oscar Charleston Chapter Baseball Symposium  
Contact William Madden, 317-842-9856

**February 13 - 14, 2004**

SABR Board of Directors Meeting, Southern CA

**April 26, 2004**

Rabbit Maranville Chapter  
Contact Charles Sacheli, 413-783-0801

**Spring**

Seymour Medal Conference

**July 15-18**

SABR 34 in Cincinnati

## Board Meetings Update

The SABR Board of Directors was scheduled to meet October 31 to November 2 in Cleveland, Ohio. Primary to the agenda was the approval of the 2004 Budget. Details on the meeting will be in the next issue of *The SABR Bulletin*.

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors will be February 13 and 14 in Southern California. Suggestion of agenda items for that meeting should be sent to Executive Director **John Zajc** at the SABR office no later than January 13, 2004. For more information on the meeting, consult the SABR calendar at [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org) or contact the SABR office. All members are welcome at any SABR Board meeting.

All minutes of SABR Board of Director meetings are available online or via mail upon request from the SABR office. To retrieve the minutes online, log into <http://members.sabr.org> and click on “Organization.” Then click on “Minutes” in the green and gray bar near the top of the text box.

## NINE Announces Call for Papers

*NINE: A Journal of Baseball History and Culture* announces the Tenth Annual Spring Training Conference in Tucson, Arizona, March 11 - 14, 2004. The keynote speaker will be Eliot Asinof, author of *Eight Men Out and Man on Spikes*.

Original unpublished papers are invited that study all aspects of baseball with a particular emphasis on history and social policy implications.

Abstracts only, not to exceed two pages, should be submitted by December 1, 2003 to:

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## Seymour Medal Conference

Get your paper ready for the third annual Seymour Medal Conference, to be held in Spring 2004, (at time of printing no specific date has been set) in Cleveland, Ohio. The Seymour Medal honors the author(s) of the best book of baseball history or biography completed during the preceding calendar year.

Papers can be on any aspect of baseball history or biography. Space is limited, so don't delay.

Proposals should include a one-page abstract of the paper, as well as a cover page with your name, address, phone number and e-mail address. The deadline for submissions is February 20, 2004.

Send proposals/questions to **John Zajc** by e-mail at [info@sabr.org](mailto:info@sabr.org) or to SABR, 812 Huron Rd E #719, Cleveland OH 44115. Check SABR's website ([www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org)) for continuing updates.

For more info about the Seymour Medal Award see page 30.

## Deadball Book Highlights 2003 Publications Schedule

*Deadball Stars of the National League* by the Deadball Era Committee of SABR, edited by **Tom Simon** and published by Brassey's Inc., will be the highlight of the 2003 publication schedule.

A work several years in the making, *Deadball Era Stars* will feature a foreward by SABR member and Fred Merkle expert **Keith Olbermann**.

*Deadball Era Stars* is expected to be mailed to members in late November/early December.

The *Baseball Research Journal* should also be out in late late December.

The Membership Directory was NOT be produced in 2003. If you do not have Internet access and would like a laser-printed copy of the directory, request one from the SABR office.

As of 2003, membership cards are only being issued upon request.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE SABR STAFF**

**John Zajc, Ryan Chamberlain, and Eileen Canepari**

## Chapter Awards in the News

### SAN DIEGO TED WILLIAMS CHAPTER HONORS 2003 BOB BOYNTON AWARD

Initiated in 2002, this award is given to recognize baseball research conducted by a San Diego County high school student. The 2003 award was given to **Nathan Hicks** (Ramona High School), whose paper was titled "If You Build It, Will They Come?"

The panel of five judges included representatives from our Chapter, the San Diego Padres, San Diego County Schools, the San Diego Public Library, as well as their President Emeritus and the man for whom the award is named, **Bob Boynton**. They honored Nathan with his award and certificate at their July 5<sup>th</sup> regional meeting.

You can read Hicks' award winning essay online at this website address:

[http://sandiego.sabr.org/boynton\\_award\\_2003.htm](http://sandiego.sabr.org/boynton_award_2003.htm).

### 2003 SABR METROPLEX COLLEGE BASEBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Clayton Jerome, 2003 Conference USA Pitcher of the Year and standout for coach Lance Brown's Texas Christian University Horned Frogs, has been selected as the 2003 SABR Hall-Ruggles Chapter Metroplex College Baseball player of the Year.

According to **President C. Paul Rogers** of the Dallas-Fort Worth based Hall-Ruggles Chapter, Jerome posted outstanding numbers as the ace of the Frogs' staff and drew the opening game starting assignment for almost every conference series for TCU in 2003.

The Texas Rangers honored the Mesquite, Texas senior-to-be prior to a Texas-Detroit contest at the Ballpark in Arlington. Rogers was on hand to represent SABR and present Jerome with a keepsake plaque.

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**The Jerome Holtzman Baseball Reader** by Jerome Holtzman takes on every subject of baseball's history. From Shoeless Joe Jackson to Lou Gehrig's farewell to no-hitters lost in the ninth, Holtzman examines each story with historical clarity.

**Glove Affairs: The Romance, History, and Tradition of the Baseball Glove** by Noah Liberman chronicles the history of the glove and also includes detailed chapters featuring experts' tips on buying, breaking in and fixing a glove. Also includes Major Leaguers' glove secrets and superstitions.

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**Fielder's Choice: Baseball's Best Shortstops** by Michael Hoban, Ph.D. takes a fresh look at how the skills of the best defensive shortstops of all time are measured. The book also uses a new metric to calculate who were the best complete hitters in baseball for a season and careers.

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**Minority Quarterback: And Other Lives in Sports** by Ira Berkow contains many interesting baseball essays including, "Fergie Jenkins's Twist in the Road," "Larry Doby Emerges from the Shadow," and "Schottzie's Owner Is Like None Other."

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**Before the World Series: Pride, Profits, and Baseball's First Championships** by Larry G. Bowman. Published posthumously, this book narrates the ups and downs of 19th Century baseball's early championships, illuminating the complex circumstances that led to baseball's rise in popularity.

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**Mel Ott: The Gentle Giant** by Alfred M. Martin focuses on Ott's personal life, his strong family ties, and the contributions that he made to baseball. Ott's daughters, Lyn and Barbara, are contributors to the story.

All proceeds go to the Mel Ott Memorial Fund. To order this or any other Scare-

crow Press book, contact them by email at [www.scarecrowpress.com](mailto:www.scarecrowpress.com) or call (800) 462-6420.

**Caribbean Camelot** by John Phillips is a history of the Havana Cubans and Sugar Kings. Includes many illustrations by the author and reproductions from 1947 Sport Kings trading cards and the Alcalde photo collection.

**The Havana Cubans and Havana Sugar Kings** by John Phillips is the career statistics of both minor league teams compiled from old guides.

**A Short History of the Florida State League** by John Phillips. The title says it all. Includes photos and stats.

For purchase information on any of these books, write John Phillips at 105 Heather Glen Blvd., Kathleen GA 31047 or email him at [jphil36@yahoo.com](mailto:jphil36@yahoo.com).

**Ted Williams: "Hey Kid, Just Get It Over the Plate!"** by Russ Kemmerer with W.C. Madden is a rousing look at baseball's golden age and its great players. Kemmerer recounts, among other great stories during his pro-ball career, his first encounter with Ted Williams when he pitched to him in batting practice.

To order this book, contact Russ Kemmerer by writing to the author at 6335 Colebrook Drive Indianapolis, IN 46220-4455 or calling (317) 849-7264.

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## 25 Years Ago In SABR

*From the October 1978 issue of The SABR Bulletin*

FRED LIEB, 90, is no longer the senior member of the Society. John Maddock, 93, recently joined from St. Louis. He is in good shape and recalls with great detail the period right after 1900 when he was a semipro player in the St. Louis area. As of October 1, the membership topped 700. New York was the first state to go over the 100 mark. Pennsylvania is next with 55.

WHEN DOES A HURLER with a win-lost percentage of .882 fail to win the percentage crown? One answer might be when he doesn't have enough wins. But Bob Stanley of the Red Sox was 15-2. The answer is when another hurler like Ron Guidry is 25-3 with a percentage of .893. Both are among the top six all time percentage marks for hurlers with 15 or more victories, and it is ironic that both should be achieved in the same year and the same league. See below.

|                  |         |      |      |      |
|------------------|---------|------|------|------|
| ElRoy Face       | Pirates | 1959 | 18-1 | .947 |
| Johnny Allen     | Indians | 1937 | 15-1 | .938 |
| Ron Guidry       | Yankees | 1978 | 25-3 | .893 |
| Fred Fitzsimmons | Dodgers | 1940 | 16-2 | .889 |
| Lefty Grove      | A's     | 1931 | 31-4 | .886 |
| Bob Stanley      | Red Sox | 1978 | 15-2 | .882 |
| Preacher Roe     | Dodgers | 1951 | 22-3 | .880 |
| Fred Goldsmith   | Cubs    | 1880 | 21-3 | .875 |
| Joe Wood         | Red Sox | 1912 | 34-5 | .872 |
| Bill Donovan     | Tigers  | 1907 | 25-4 | .862 |
| Whitey Ford      | Yankees | 1961 | 25-4 | .862 |
| Chief Bender     | A's     | 1914 | 17-3 | .850 |

## Home Runs, Before and After SABR's Founding

**HR before 8/10/1971:**  
105,100

**HR since 8/10/1971  
(including that day):**  
119,775

### TOP HOME RUN HITTERS ON 08/10/1971 (THE FOUNDING OF SABR)

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Babe Ruth        | 714 |
| Willie Mays      | 643 |
| Hank Aaron       | 623 |
| Mickey Mantle    | 536 |
| Jimmie Foxx      | 534 |
| Ted Williams     | 521 |
| Eddie Mathews    | 512 |
| Mel Ott          | 511 |
| Ernie Banks      | 511 |
| Harmon Killebrew | 501 |
| Lou Gehrig       | 493 |
| Frank Robinson   | 493 |
| Stan Musial      | 475 |
| Duke Snider      | 407 |

*21 homers were hit on 8/10/1971 including 2 by Harmon Killebrew (this is the entire 400 HR Club at the end of that day)*

### TOP HOME RUN HITTERS AFTER 08/10/1971

(400 or more home runs hit)

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Barry Bonds     | 658 |
| Mark McGwire    | 583 |
| Mike Schmidt    | 548 |
| Sammy Sosa      | 539 |
| Rafael Palmeiro | 528 |
| Eddie Murray    | 504 |
| Fred McGriff    | 491 |
| Ken Griffey     | 481 |
| Dave Winfield   | 465 |
| Jose Canseco    | 462 |
| Reggie Jackson  | 443 |
| Andre Dawson    | 438 |
| Dave Kingman    | 438 |
| Cal Ripken      | 431 |
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We are nearing the end of another successful year of SABR membership thanks to the hard work of all the SABR volunteers; the research committee chairs (see left), co-chairs, newsletter editors and others; the regional leaders who put together meetings throughout the year (see page 26); the local and national convention committees who make sure that convention-goers have a great time; the members of other working committees such as the Internet Committee, the Nominating Committee, the Tellers Committee, the Audit Committee and the new Risk Management Committee; and the volunteers who come to the office to help the staff get orders filled and new member packets mailed. Without all this help, SABR would not be able to fulfill its mission of facilitating and disseminating baseball research.

I also want to thank the over 600 members who contributed financially to the organization by making donations. A list of those generous members is included in this issue on pages 28-29. Each one of these members helps make a positive difference in the way SABR runs and the way baseball history is recorded, remembered, and shared.

As I near the end of my first full year as Executive Director, I know that there is one major challenge in front of me; to make sure that SABR remains a vibrant and meaningful organization for years to come. In the coming months, I will be soliciting feedback on different ideas that may help in this regard. I welcome any advice that you have to offer. Contact me at [jzajc@sabr.org](mailto:jzajc@sabr.org) or at the SABR office, 812 Huron Rd E #719, Cleveland OH 44115, 1-800-969-7227.

In the meantime, you might consider ways you can continue to support SABR such as renewing your membership, purchasing some SABR logo apparel (see page 14), referring SABR to a friend (see page 8), or making a donation. Another way to help support SABR is to nominate a well-written baseball article for the McFarland-SABR Baseball Research Award or a well-done research project for the Sporting News-SABR Baseball Research Award. You can also encourage a youngster to enter a research paper into the Jack Kavanagh Memorial Youth Baseball Research Award competition or participate in National History Day with a baseball theme. In short, there are many ways each one of us can make a difference.

Thank you for your support,

**John Zajc**, Executive Director

## **Become a SABR Mentor**

In getting feedback from recent members, it has been reported that getting all that you can out of SABR membership is not always easy. To attempt to alleviate this problem, I am seeking long-time, active members to volunteer as mentors to new members.

The basic premise would be to compile a list of members willing to guide new members through the ins and outs of SABR membership. A booklet would be created containing a list of mentors, with biographical information, such as background and baseball interests, so that the new member could choose a mentor he or she might relate to the best. This booklet would also be on the web site and would be distributed to new members interested in getting more involved.

If you are a long-time, active SABR member willing to help out a newer member learn more about getting all they can from SABR membership, please contact Executive Director **John Zajc** at the SABR office, 812 Huron Rd E #719, Cleveland OH 44115 or via email at: [jzajc@sabr.org](mailto:jzajc@sabr.org).

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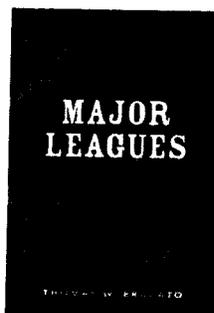
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In addition to his Hall of Fame writing, Lewis was the first official scorer for the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

A SABR member since 1979, Allen was a friend to Retrosheet in the early years of its inception. He was one of the first sportswriters to loan them his scorebooks so they could make copies.

"Thanks to him, we have play by play of every Phillies game back to 1957," said SABR member **David W. Smith**, founder of Retrosheet. "His scorekeeping was nothing less than meticulous. The detail was unsurpassed by any other writer whose books we were able to copy. There have been dozens of requests I have received from SABR members that I was able to answer due to the copies of his scoresheets that we had."

He is survived by his daughter and two granddaughters; and one great-granddaughter.

## KEN COLEMAN

**Ken Coleman**, a SABR member since 1984 and radio and TV play-by-play voice of the Boston Red Sox, passed away on August 21, 2003.

He began his career with the Red Sox in 1966 and left the after the 1974 season, when a new station took over rights to Red Sox games. He then worked with the Cincinnati Reds as a TV broadcaster only to return to the Red Sox broadcast booth

in 1979 where he stayed until his retirement in 1989. He was inducted to the Red Sox Hall of Fame in 2000.

Coleman wrote five books including *Talking on Air: A Broadcaster's Life in Sports*. He was also one of the founders of the Red Sox booster club, the BoSox Club, and was involved with the Jimmy Fund, serving as its second director.

## BOB RULAND

Former SABR Secretary and Treasurer **Bob Ruland** of Southfield, Michigan, passed away on October 14. He was 75.

Bob joined SABR in 1986 and was elected Treasurer in 1990. In 1992, he was elected Secretary and served through 1995. A New York Giants fan, Bob also used his expertise in insurance matters to serve in the volunteer position of SABR's Director of Risk Management. Bob also ran the Detroit SABR regional group for many years.

A New York City native, his article "Please Don't Let Them Knock Me Off This Roof!" was published in the 1991 issue of *The National Pastime*.

## FRANK MCCORMACK

**Frank McCormack**, of Bakersfield, California, aka "Big Mac," a fixture at the SABR convention until health issues cut back on his ability to travel in the late 1990s, passed away on October 9.

Born in Brooklyn, New York (Flat Bush) on March 17, 1919, Frank worked for the Ventura Baseball Farm Team as a trainer from 1947 to 1948. He then worked for the New York Yankees as a scout from 1949 to 1951 under Joe DeVine. Frank also

## DOLORES SAXTON

Farmingdale, New York resident **Dr. Dolores Saxton** passed away on May 25, 2003. She had been a SABR member since 2002.

A retired professor from Nassau Community College, she was known as a true New York Mets fan and avid collector of Teddy bears.

In her honor, the Farmingdale community planned a baseball game for Saxton. The title of the event was "Keep the Ball Rolling: The Dr. Dolores Saxton Memorial Gift of Life Night" with proceeds going toward the Gift of Life program in her name.

## LEE SCANLON

Grass Valley, California resident **Dr. Lee Scanlon** died May 28, 2003. He was 68 and had been a SABR member since 2002.

He served in the U.S. Army in the Intelligence Division in the 1950's and also worked for "Voice of America" in Thailand in the 1960's.

He graduated from with a Bachelors from Brigham Young University and his Masters from American University

Lee Scanlon was a mentor to broadcast students at several universities during a 25-year teaching career. He began as a radio announcer in the 1960s. His interests included Japanese baseball, table baseball and the 1916 Philadelphia Athletics. Lee earned his Phd at Brigham Young University in 1980 and retired from Eastern New Mexico University in 2002.

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## SABR Helps Commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Ed Delahanty's Passing

On July 2, 2003 a group of SABR members and baseball fans commemorated the 100th Anniversary of the mysterious and untimely death of Cleveland native son and Baseball Hall of Famer, Ed Delahanty.

At 6:00 p.m. Reverend **John Butchko**, Pastor of Avon United Methodist Church, spoke briefly and led the gathered in prayer at Ed Delahanty's grave at Calvary Cemetery.

A special article on the Delahanty centennial, written by Bob Dolgan, ran in the July 2, 2003 *Cleveland Plain Dealer* Calvary Cemetery is located at 10000 Miles Road.

Delahanty's disdain for training rules got him suspended in 1903 and he left his club in Detroit to take a train to New York. Popular belief is that at International Bridge near Niagara Falls, the conductor put him off the train for being drunk and disorderly. Staggering along the tracks in the dark, he fell through an open drawbridge and was swept over the falls to his death.



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Started in 1990, The Baseball Index project is the product of dozens of volunteers, organized through SABR's Bibliographic Research Committee, who have indexed over 194,000 baseball sources. The Baseball Index is part of the SABR's commitment to advance and support baseball research. Currently, Hathaway co-directs the project with **Andy McCue**.

"I know it has helped a number of individual writers, but there are doubtless many others out there I am unaware of,"

says Hathaway. "It is rightly called 'The First Base for Baseball Research' because it is such a good and easy place to go in starting nearly any baseball research."

Although almost completely volunteer driven, TBI depends greatly on monetary contributions for the day-to-day costs of maintaining and updating the baseball index on the internet. It recently got a big boost thanks to the sizeable donation of former SABR President **Claudia Perry** who presented a check to **Executive Director John Zajc** at the National Convention in Denver.

"The scope and impact of TBI on baseball research is nothing short of phenomenal", says Perry. "I hope my donation underscores to other researchers the importance of keeping this database available to anyone with access to the Internet."

Other volunteers including **Skip McAfee**, **Fred and Alma Ivor-Campbell**, **Steve Milman**, **Dick Miller**, **Bernie Esser**, **Terry Sloop** have also made monetary contributions allowing TBI to maintain its presence on the Internet.

"I really believe TBI is the most im-



*Executive Director John Zajc accepts former SABR President Claudia Perry's generous contribution to help fund TBI (photo by John Pardon).*

portant research tool SABR has ever produced," says Zajc. "Maintaining TBI's presence on the Internet is an integral part of fulfilling SABR's mission."

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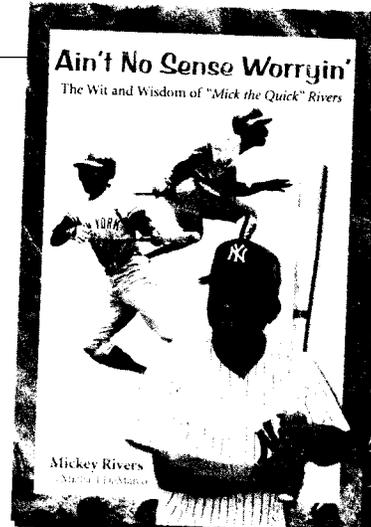
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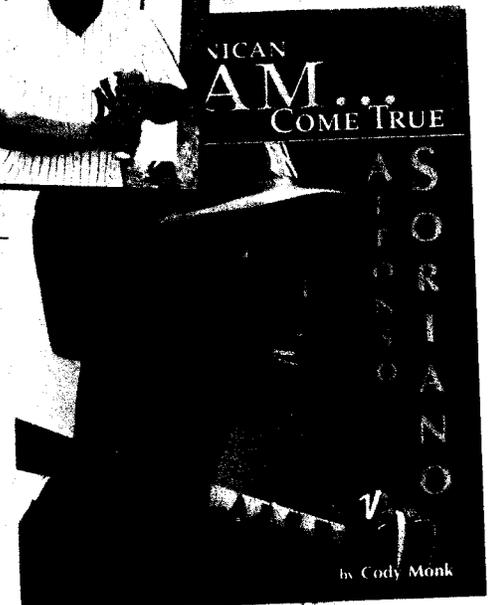


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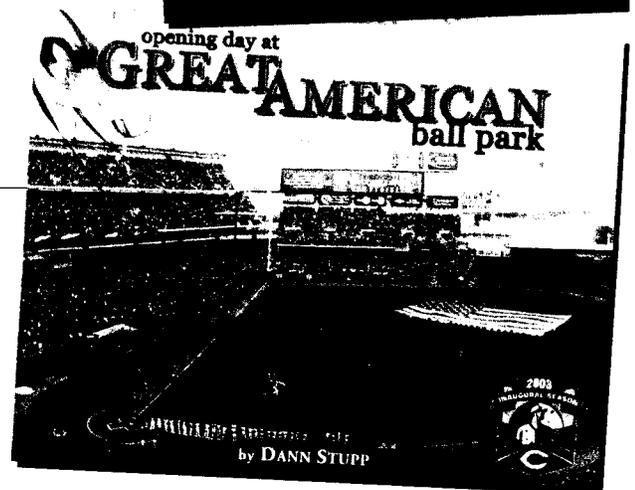
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## Research Committees, continued from page 4

Warren Wilbert's *A Cunning Kind of Play: The Cubs-Giant Rivalry, 1876-1932* by Charles Crawley.

### MINOR LEAGUE

At the time of printing, the new chair of the Minor League Research Committee was expected to be **Kurt Bloeser**. **John Schleppe** was also named new Vice-Chair. They are hoping to have a new newsletter out before the end of 2003.

### NEGRO LEAGUES

The August edition of the *Negro Leagues Courier* honored the memory of former Newark Eagles teammates, Larry Doby and Max Manning, who both passed away in June. Included are a listing of research items available for Doby and Manning.

The newsletter reported that the Negro League legend Jud Wilson's final resting place was located and verified through the efforts of **Bob Bailey** and **Amy Essington**.

Also included, was a recap of the Jerry

Malloy Conference and a feature congratulating NLC Co-Chair **Larry Lester** for winning The Sporting News-SABR Research Award for his book, *Black Baseball's National Showcase*, published by Bison Books.

### ORAL HISTORY

The list of interviews of the Oral History Committee has been re-organized. It is now in alphabetical order. To view the list, go to [www.sabr.org](http://www.sabr.org), click on to "research" then scroll down to Oral History Committee and click on the hyperlink "list of interviews."

### STATISTICAL RESEARCH

The May issue of *By the Numbers* features the cover article "Academic Research: Clutch Hitting and Sudden Slugging" by **Charlie Pavitt**. In the article, the author reviews and catalogs two more recent studies from *Chance* magazine. First, another investigation into clutch hitting, and, second, an examination of the probability that large jumps in a player's

home runs would arise simply by chance.

**Phil Birnbaum** also gives short reviews from recent non-academic sabermetric studies. In this issue: a possible log5 alternative, a proposed method to forecast a player's batting average, and a pitch count estimator statistic.

Also featured is a study by **Duke Rankin** entitled, "The Relationship Between Skin Tone and Performance-- A Preliminary Analysis." This research was in response to Cubs manager Dusty Baker's assertion that black players perform better in hot weather than white players do. Here, Rankin looks for evidence of whether the assertion is, or isn't supported by the statistical record. Other studies include "On the Pythagorean Winning Percentage" by **Jeff Thurston** and "Toying with 'The Favorite Toy'" by **Shane Holmes**.



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Within the pages of *Bright Star in a Shadowy Sky*, is the story of Indian Bob Johnson, one-quarter Cherokee, who had the patience to travel the long and circuitous route to the promised land of baseball stardom in the first half of the twentieth century.

He learned how to avoid the pitfalls that trapped his older brother Roy. After playing well in various industrial and minor leagues, he was taken under the wing of Connie Mack, owner of the Philadelphia Athletics.

In return, Indian Bob was loyal, staying with the Athletics and the man who had given him a chance, even when the team failed to make the first division time and again and Mr. Mack could no longer pay him what he was worth.

Well-researched and interspersed with commentary from other players, fans, and reporters from this era, Patrick J. and Terrence K. McGrath have compiled an impressive work, complete with numerous photographs, which will be thoroughly enjoyed by any fan of baseball, and they are sure to engender support in demanding an answer to their final question: Despite his strong numbers, why isn't Indian Bob Johnson in the Baseball Hall of Fame?

### ABOUT THE AUTHORS

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Terrence, who holds a bachelor of science in business from St. Xavier University and a law degree from John Marshall College, is a self-employed attorney. He is also a member of the Philadelphia Athletics Historical Society.

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Through the generosity of SABR Director and founder **Dan Ginsburg**, the Bibliography Committee, with the help of SABR member and intern **Michael Mott**, will begin to expand the scope of The Baseball Index (TBI) database.

In the past, TBI has avoided indexing the notes columns of publications such as *The Sporting News* because it was felt that more ground could be covered by indexing larger articles and books. However, some researchers felt that there were nuggets of material in such columns, especially decades ago, that are invaluable in writing about lesser known players and other baseball personalities.

According to Bibliography Committee Chair **Andy McCue**, **Jules Tygiel** of the History Department at San Francisco State University put the committee in contact with one of his graduate students, **Michael Mott**. McCue says that Mott will be going through the "Caught on the Fly" columns of *The Sporting News* beginning in 1892 as a test of the amount of information that can be generated by putting all these short items into TBI.

But McCue feels that all SABR members will have to pull together to make this a successful endeavor.

"Those of you who have worked with these columns know how frustrating they can be," said McCue in a recent SABR-L announcement. "Much of the information is elliptical. First names rarely appear. Teams and franchises are referred to ambiguously or incompletely. Common knowledge then is not common knowledge now--except among some SABR members. Thus we seek your help."

Using primarily SABR-L, Mott will be reaching out to SABRites in hope that some member knows some fact that he needs, such as a player's first name, the league a team belonged to in 189X, that team's nickname, etc. According to McCue, Mott has been provided with *Total Baseball*, the *Minor League Encyclopedia* and Harold Seymour's histories among other various online resources. But, says McCue, these will inevitably prove inadequate and much help will be needed from the collective knowledge of SABR members.

## Oldest World Series Managers

(age for Game 1)

|        |          |               |
|--------|----------|---------------|
| 72.329 | 2003 FLO | Jack McKeon   |
| 70.067 | 1960 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 68.283 | 1931 PHA | Connie Mack   |
| 68.063 | 1958 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 67.283 | 1930 PHA | Connie Mack   |
| 67.064 | 1957 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 66.290 | 1929 CHN | Joe McCarthy  |
| 66.290 | 1929 PHA | Connie Mack   |
| 66.065 | 1956 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 65.060 | 1955 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 64.352 | 1949 BRO | Burt Shotton  |
| 63.062 | 1953 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 62.347 | 1947 BRO | Burt Shotton  |
| 62.315 | 1974 LAN | Walter Alston |
| 62.063 | 1952 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 61.101 | 2001 NYA | Joe Torre     |
| 61.066 | 1951 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 61.028 | 1981 NYA | Bob Lemon     |
| 61.023 | 1988 LAN | Tom Lasorda   |
| 60.159 | 1958 MIL | Fred Haney    |
| 60.095 | 2000 NYA | Joe Torre     |
| 60.066 | 1950 PHI | Eddie Sawyer  |
| 60.066 | 1950 NYA | Casey Stengel |

## Oldest World Series Winning Managers

(At time of printing)

|        |          |               |
|--------|----------|---------------|
| 68.071 | 1958 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 67.290 | 1930 PHA | Connie Mack   |
| 66.296 | 1929 PHA | Connie Mack   |
| 66.072 | 1956 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 63.067 | 1953 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 62.069 | 1952 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 61.072 | 1951 NYA | Casey Stengel |
| 61.028 | 1988 LAN | Tom Lasorda   |
| 60.100 | 2000 NYA | Joe Torre     |
| 60.069 | 1950 NYA | Casey Stengel |

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tesy of *USA Today Sports Weekly*.

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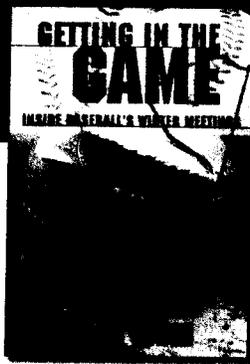
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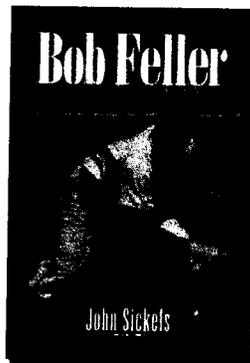
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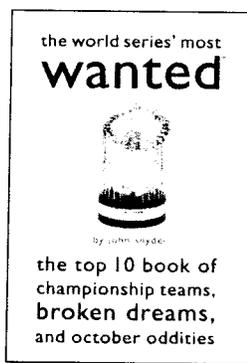
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## Correction

Cyril Morong found a mistake in how he calculated RBI opportunities in his article for the latest issue of the *Baseball Research Journal* which substantially altered the RBI formula. The revised paper can be found on line at: <http://members.aol.com/cjmorong/myhomepage/WEB.htm>

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**George T. Banister**, PO Box 464, St. Petersburg FL 33731, seeks photocopy information on final playing career of minor leaguer MIKE NATISIN. Have record 1939-1950 (Columbus Redbirds-AA). Last known affiliation Minneapolis Millers (AA). Record 1951 on is needed. Will reimburse expenses.

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**Scott Nelson**, 219 Westwood Drive, Mankato MN 56001, email: [woodsmen12@msn.com](mailto:woodsmen12@msn.com) or phone (218-845-2132 or 507-345-6455) seeks hard copy or software that will enable him to compile a list of, for instance, the 10 top home run hitters in any 10-year period. Have the Franklin Baseball Encyclopedia software thru 1992 but nothing since.

**Brian Mohr**, 17SE 14th St, Cape Coral FL 33990, [miraclebaseball@beachinc.com](mailto:miraclebaseball@beachinc.com), seeks any information on the move of the Miami Florida State league team to or from Ft Myers in the years 1925-1927. Also any pictures statistics etc. would be helpful as well for that time periods.

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**Anderson, David W.**: Bonesetter Reese: Baseball's unofficial team physician. 16 pages. About a famous figure of the Dead Ball era.

**Aamodt, Terrie Dopp**: The "Bearded Beauties": Baseball, business and entertainment during the Depression. 11 pages. About the rival House of David and City of David teams. From the Denver convention.

**Buck, Ray**: Giving 'The Devil' his due; Willie Wells' hellbent style made the Austin native a Negro Leagues legend. 4 pages. Text of article in the Fort Worth Star Telegram, July 6, 2003.

**Cohen, Richard S., et al.**: Life expectancy of major league baseball umpires. 5 pages. Statistical study, from The Physician and Sportsmedicine, May 2000.

**Fiesthumel, Scott**: Wild Bill Setley. 2 pages. About a legendary turn-of-the-century player, umpire and coach in Central New York. Copy of columns in the Life & Times of Utica, October 24 and 31, 2002.

**Gauthreaux, Jay**: Big Train bested Matty in 1913 exhibition in Tulsa. 1 page. Copy of article in Bleacher Creature Newsletter, 1997.

**Herzog, Bob**: Cheating is part of baseball. 3 pages. Copy of article in the New York Daily News, July 27, 2003.

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**Jordan, Pat**: The hardest stuff. 3 pages. Copy of article in the New York Times Magazine, Sept. 14, 2003, about the current abundance of hard-throwing pitchers.

**Lane, F.C.**: Baseball management that costs a fortune. 5 pages. Text of article in Baseball Magazine, February 1915, criticizing owners for spending too much money.

**Lehn, William A.**: Signs: Baseball's hidden language. 6 pages. scholarly.

**Macht, Norman**: They've bleached the color out of baseball. 4 pages. About the disappearance of bench jockeying and colorful language.

**Marshall, R.R.**: Stephens set the standard for Red Sox shortstops. 1 page. Copy of article in Boston Baseball, August 2003, about Vern Stephens.

**McCotter, Trent**: Rickey Henderson steals database. 29 pages. All you want to know about Rickey's steals, one by one.

**Neyer, Rob**: Nothing worse than the 1899 Cleveland Spiders. 3 pages. Text of article on the ESPN web site about the 10 worst teams in major league baseball.

**Nowlin, Bill**: Chronology of the Boston Americans' 1903 season. 30 pages. Original appeared in the Red Sox' scorebook magazine during the 2003 season.

**Oswalt, Ed**: Expected win contributions: Overview. 11 pages. From Convention Presentation.

**Quinn, T.J.**: Baseball's new magic number; "Exotic" stats key to unlocking players' potential. 3 pages. An outsider's look at SABR's new language of statistics. Text of article in the New York Daily News, July 13, 2002.

**Serby, Steve**: Interviews with Yankee greats. 4 pages. Copy of interviews with Phil Rizzuto, Yogi Berra, Whitey Ford and Tommy Henrich, from the New York Post, July 19, 2003.

**Solloway, Steve**: Del Bissonette: He's gone and, sadly, forgotten. 2 pages. Text of article in the Maine Sunday Telegram, Sept. 21, 2003.

**Stenbacher-Kemp, Bill**: The Illinois-Indiana-Iowa League (1901-1961). 22 pages. Text and graphic material about the Three-Eye League.

**Tyers, Tim**: 100 years later, innovative PCL has major impact. 2 pages. Text of article in the Arizona Republic, July 20, 2003.

**Wagner, Steven K.**: For Paciorek it was all in a day's work. 3 pages. Text of article in the Los Angeles Times about Tom Paciorek, who went 3 for 3 in his debut and never played in the major leagues again because of back trouble.

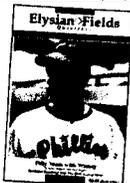
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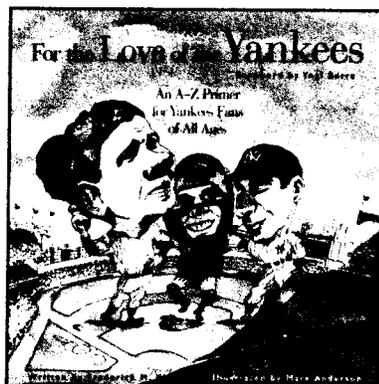
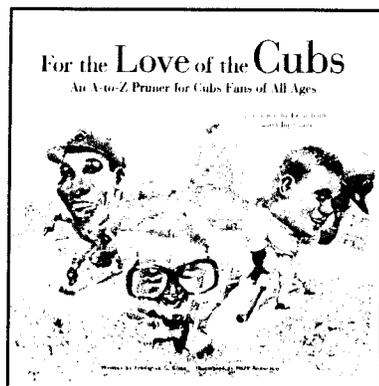
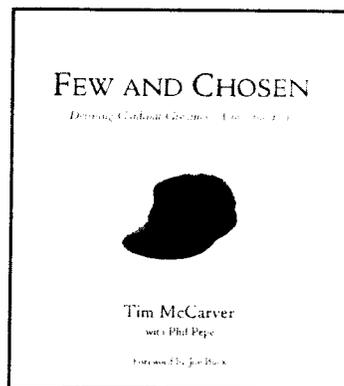
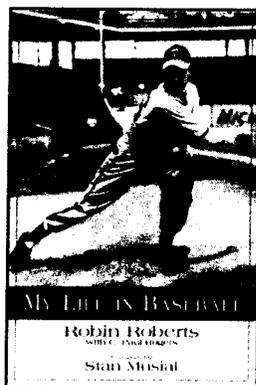
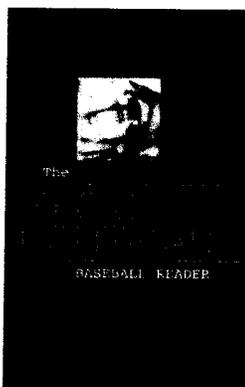
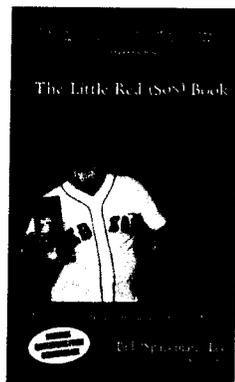
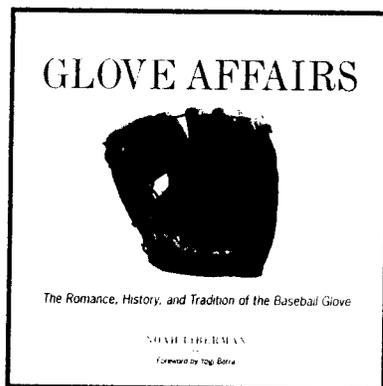
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**1. Which SABR conventions have you attended? (Mark all that apply.)**

- 2003: Denver
- 2002: Boston
- 2001: Milwaukee
- 2000: West Palm Beach
- 1999: Scottsdale/Phoenix
- Earlier conventions (How many others? \_\_\_\_\_)

**2. Please RANK (1-9) the MOST IMPORTANT factor you consider when deciding whether or not to attend a convention. (1 = highest; 9 = lowest)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ The ballpark in the host city
- \_\_\_\_\_ Close to home
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cost of hotel room
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cost of transportation to the convention
- \_\_\_\_\_ Registration fee
- \_\_\_\_\_ Dates fit in with my schedule
- \_\_\_\_\_ Specific event/speaker unique to that convention
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other tourist attractions in area
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Are you considering attending the Cincinnati 2004 convention, assuming the dates work for you?**

- Strongly considering attending
- Considering attending
- Not considering attending

**4a. Below is a list of potential convention sites. Please indicate if each would be acceptable or not acceptable to you.**

Acceptable?

| Yes                      | No                       | Site   |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
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Other suggestions \_\_\_\_\_

**4b. Please list your TOP THREE choices of sites from above.**

- 1st \_\_\_\_\_
- 2nd \_\_\_\_\_
- 3rd \_\_\_\_\_

**5a. Below is a list for times of year for the convention. Please indicate if each would be acceptable or not?**

| Acceptable?              |                          | Time of Year                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Yes                      | No                       |                                 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <sup>th</sup> of July weekend |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other early July weekend        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Late July weekend*              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Early August weekend*           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Late August weekend             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | After Labor Day                 |

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**5b. Please list your TOP CHOICE for the time of year for the convention from the list above.**

1st \_\_\_\_\_

**6. What is the most you would pay for a hotel room? (Prices below do NOT include tax.) (If you normally have a roommate(s), assume you would pay a proportionate share of the total amounts listed below.)**

- \$90 - \$99 per night
- \$100 - \$109 per night
- \$110 - \$119 per night
- \$120 - \$129 per night
- \$130 - \$139 per night
- \$140 - \$149 per night

**7. Please RANK the following three types of facilities in terms of their desirability as convention sites: (1 = Most Desirable; 2 = 2<sup>nd</sup> Most Desirable; 3 = Least Desirable)**

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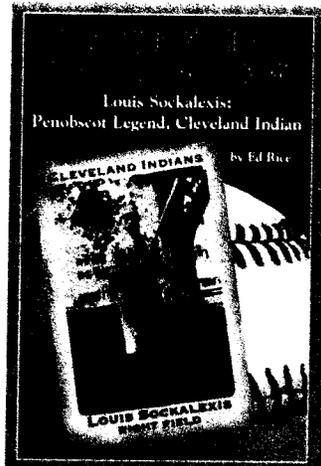
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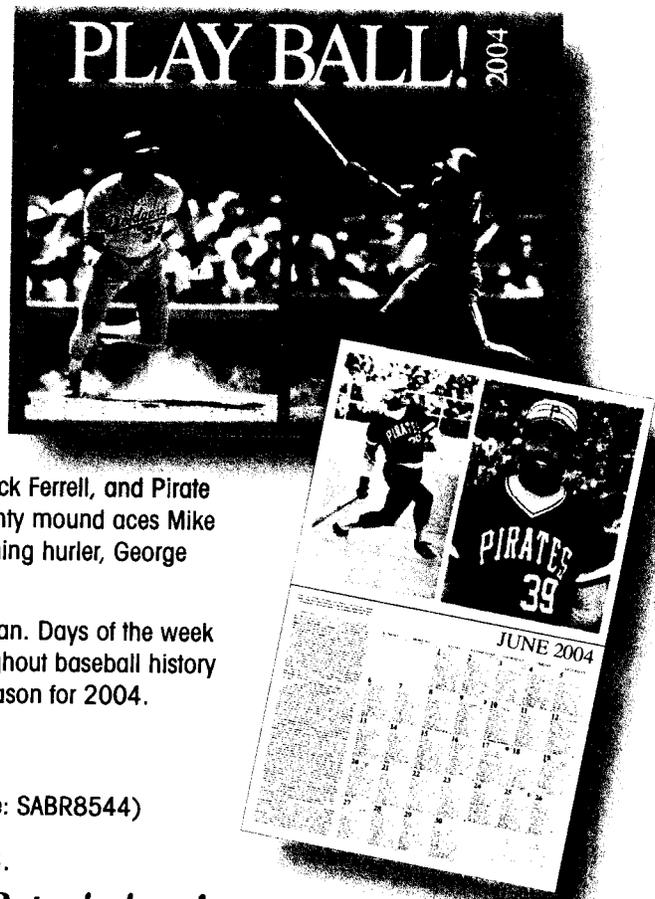
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Nominations for the 2003 awards must be received at the address shown below no later than midnight, January 31, 2004. Please complete this nominating petition (see other side photocopies are also acceptable) and return it to:

**Steve Gietschier**

Sporting News-SABR Baseball Research Award

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## **THE SEYMOUR MEDAL**

The Seymour Medal recognizes the author(s) of the best book of baseball history or biography first published during the preceding calendar year. To be considered for the medal, a work must be the product of original research or analysis. The winning book shall significantly advance our knowledge of baseball and shall be characterized by understanding, factual accuracy, profound insight and distinguished writing.

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No more than one Seymour Medal shall be given each year. If, in the judgment of the award committee, a worthy candidate cannot be found, the medal shall not be awarded. There is no limit to the number of times an individual may win the award, but it must be awarded each time for a wholly new work.

The Executive Director solicits candidates for the award from publishers and the three-member judging committee assists in recommending books for review. Recommendations by SABR members will be welcomed; they will be reviewed by the award committee, and if any committee member determines that the book qualifies for medal competition, it shall be added to the list of books to be judged, and review copies shall be requested.

The Judging Committee consists of **G.S. Rowe**, 7205 Poudre River Rd #6, Greeley CO 80631; **Morris Eckhouse**, 3385 Dorchester, Shaker Heights OH 44120; and **Paul Adomites**,

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## Online Sporting News Archives Being Made Available to SABR Members at a Discount

Cold North Wind, Inc. and Sporting News, Inc. have announced an agreement to provide the archives of the 117 year-old *Sporting News* online. Beginning November 1st, 2003, the entire published full-page, full-text archives of *Sporting News* magazine, which virtually chronicles the history of sport, will be available and fully searchable on Cold North Wind's website, [www.paperofrecord.com](http://www.paperofrecord.com), an online portal providing a range of historical content aggregated from a variety of different sources.

**SABR members were contacted via email in October to take advantage of a pre-launch discount of 50% off an annual subscription (the promotion lasts through November 15).** All members can still receive a 25% discount by signing up following the directions on found on the members-only portion of the SABR web site <http://members.sabr.org>.

*Sporting News* was introduced in 1886 by Alfred Spink as a tabloid newspaper covering all sporting events, and even some theater. The publication changed its focus in the early 20th century under the direction of Alfred's brother, Charles, to cover primarily baseball. Its extensive baseball coverage quickly earned the publication the unique moniker as the "Bible of Baseball."

"We are very excited to be able to make our entire history available to the public through Cold North Wind's **Paper of Record™** website. This agreement and the ease with which the database can be searched should please casual fans, trivia buffs and students as well as satisfying the needs of serious researchers in sports history," said Dr. Steven Gietschier, *Sporting News*' Senior Managing Editor for Research.

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