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LOCAL NOTES

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ANOTHER TERRIFIC FALL STARS WEEKEND IN THE BOOKS

The Valley becomes the focal point of the baseball world during the Arizona Fall League's Fall Stars weekend, and the Hemond-Delhi Chapter played its part once again by hosting the annual SABR Fall League Experience.



SABR members from around the country, including national board of directors member Bill Nowlin, Maddux Brothers-Las Vegas Chapter president Rick Swift, Lefty 'O'Doul SF Bay Chapter head Marlene Vogelsang mingled with local members over the three-day series of events in Scottsdale and Surprise, site of this year's AFL All-Star Game.

The weekend kicked off with an informative session on all aspects of umpiring and game management led by MLB director of umpire development Rich Rieker and umpire supervisor Tom Lepperd, held at Scottsdale Stadium prior to a

INFORMATION REGARDING OUR NEXT SABR-AZ CHAPTER MEETING

Our next chapter meeting is scheduled for SABR Day, Saturday Jan. 26.

In a departure from the past, we'll have it at the Casino Arizona where we've had a number of very successful recent meetings.

Our group loves the low-cost buffet. Details about the meetings after the holidays.

MORE IMAGES FROM FALL STARS WEEKEND!



game on Friday, featuring the Surprise Saguaros and Scottsdale Scorpions.

The Saturday morning chapter meeting was held at the event's host hotel -- The Saguaro -- a long home run away from Scottsdale Stadium in Old Town. The morning led with a presentation from new SABR chief executive officer Scott Bush in his debut appearance. Bush, a longtime former minor-league baseball executive, detailed plans to increase SABR's ties to MLB and within the baseball industry, as well as to grow the organization through an emphasis on fan involvement.

Nobody watches and writes more on the Fall League than local chapter member Bernie Pleskoff, and he gave his annual detailed rundown of the game's best prospects. Spoiler alert -- he's very high on kids named Guerrero and Biggio, among others.



The session wrapped up with a panel on would-be changes to MLB, with the institution of a pitch clock being the agreed-upon no-brainer among local chapter officers/longtime MLB writers Barry M. Bloom and Tony DeMarco, KNBR radio host Marty Lurie, and Ed Lynch, who has been a player, executive and scout over a 40-plus-year career in the game.

NATIONAL NOTES

2019 HALL OF FAME CLASS CANDIDATES ANNOUNCED

If some of the 2019 Hall of Fame candidate names aren't ringing a bell, or you want to learn as much as you can about them before the votes start rolling in, SABR has you covered.

[At this link, you can find extremely extensive biographies for all 20 candidates!](#)

It would be difficult to find a more comprehensive resource to keep you in-the-know come voting season.



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