

THE "HOLY COW"

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SOCIETY FOR AMERICAN BASEBALL RESEARCH

Halsey Hall

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Joint Chapter Meeting October 20

The Halsey Hall Chapter's joint meeting with the Field of Dreams Chapter of Iowa will be at the Music Man Centre in Mason City, Iowa, on Sunday, October 20, beginning at noon and wrapping up by 5:00. The program will include a display of Iowa and Minnesota baseball memorabilia, an open forum on how to do research, a joint business meeting, and a trivia quiz as well as:

- A reading by Todd Fuller, author of *60 Feet, Six Inches: The (Baseball) Life of Mose YellowHorse*.
- "Things You Never Knew About Major League Baseball Managers" by John Skipper, author of *Take Me Out to the Cubs Game*.
- A 15-minute radio interview with Lou Gehrig, conducted by KROC Radio in Rochester, Minnesota, in August 1939 when Gehrig was at the Mayo Clinic.

For more details, including information on car pooling, contact Howard Luloff at 952-922-5036 or via e-mail at hfan77@webtv.net. (Pat Lewis is looking for riders on his jaunt from Bismarck, North Dakota, to Mason City. If you'd like to ride with Pat, contact him at 701-223-4201 or via e-mail at patlewis@tic.bisman.com.)

Directions to the Music Man Centre:

From Minneapolis-St. Paul, take I-35 South (from Dallas-Fort Worth, take I-35 North), exit on Highway 122, just south of Clear Lake, and go east into downtown Mason City (about seven miles). Turn left on Pennsylvania Avenue, just past Hardee's, and go north three blocks. The Music Man Square is on the left with a life-size sculpture of Meredith Willson in the courtyard. Park in the lot across the street, by the public library.

Book Club

Four chapter members met on August 10 to discuss the book *Hitter! The Life and Turmoils of Ted Williams* by Ed Linn.

The next meeting is at 10 a.m. on Saturday, October 19 at Dunn Bros. Coffee Shop, next to Rag & Bone Books, 2812 W. 43rd Street in the Linwood Hills area of Minneapolis. The book to be read is *The Great American Novel* by Philip Roth. For more information, contact Tom Swift at 507-645-2280 or via e-mail at swifttom@hotmail.com.

Web-only Discounts on SABR Publications

Pre-1987 issues of the *Baseball Research Journal* and *The National Pastime* are available at deeply discounted prices at <http://www.sabr.org>. Click on "Publications" on the menu on the left-hand side and then on "SABR Sale" directly under "Publications" to get a list of the publications for sale. A table of contents is also available for each publication. Click on a publication title to go to the order page for the University of Nebraska Press web site.

In Case You Were Wondering

Some members have inquired as to why they are receiving copies of *USA Today Sports Weekly* (formerly *Baseball Weekly*). This is a member benefit that SABR has negotiated with the *USA Today*. All SABR members are receiving a 26-week subscription to *Sports Weekly*. Those who already subscribe will have their subscriptions extended. The SABR office assures members that this will not generate any junk mail. Anyone who does not wish to receive *Sports Weekly* may contact the SABR office at 800-969-7227 or via e-mail at info@sabr.org.

Vintage Loggers

The Minnesota Loggers—a conglomeration of players from the Quicksteps and St. Croix vintage base ball teams, including several who are Halsey Hall Chapter members—traveled to Columbus, Ohio, over Labor Day weekend for the Ohio Cup Vintage Base Ball Festival. The Loggers won two of the six games they played. Chapter members who made the trip were Don "Pieso" Hammer, Dan Cagley, Ray Luurs, Geoff Luurs, Deano Thilgen, and Rich Arpi.

The Quicksteps wrapped up their season September 15 in Eden Prairie with a loss to the St. Croixs, who were preparing for their season finale at the time of this printing.

Chapter Tidbits

Many thanks to the 84 SABR members who renewed their subscription to *The Holy Cow!* That's better than a 90 percent renewal rate.

The next *Holy Cow Extra*, which will be out in October, will focus on collecting.

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Past issues of *The Holy Cow!* and *Holy Cow Extra* are on-line at:
<http://halseyhall.org/pubs.holy.html>

Calendar

October 5
Hot Stove Saturday Morning
Baker's Square, Richfield
9:30 a.m.

October 19
Book Club
Dunn Bros. Coffee Shop, Minneapolis
10 a.m.

October 20
Fall Chapter Meeting
Mason City, Iowa
Noon to 5 p.m.



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