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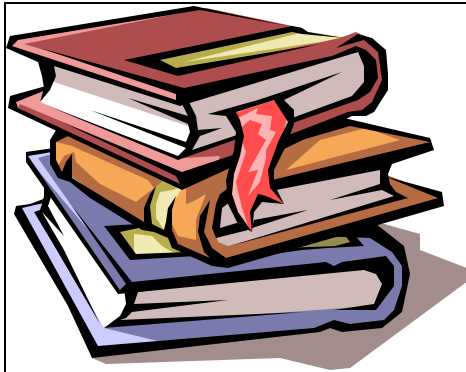
September 2004

News on Chapter Members

Stillwater historian and SABR member **Brent T. Peterson** announces the publication of *Stillwater: The Next Generation*. Peterson, the executive director of the Washington County Historical Society has combined many of his past history columns written over the past ten years from the *St. Croix Valley Press* into a collection of stories about Minnesota's birthplace. The book has 160 pages packed with never before published photographs and sells for \$ 25 (softcover) or \$ 50 (hardcover). The book is available in various places in Stillwater or by mail (add \$ 3.00 for shipping costs) from Valley History Press, P.O. Box 590, Stillwater, Mn. 55082-0590 or (651-439-8445).

Rex Hamann visited the gravesite of Jacob "Rube" Geyer in Mora, Minnesota's Edgewood Cemetery recently and had a short article about his visit published in the July 15, 2004 issue of the *Kanabec County Times*. Geyer pitched for the Columbus Senators from 1907-1909 and with the St. Louis Cardinals from 1910-1913. Rex likes to visit graves of past ball players and place a baseball with the player's story near the grave. An article on Geyer will appear in an upcoming issue of the American Association Almanac, also written by Hammann (see americanassociationmanac.com).

New member **Josh Leventhal** is an Acquisitions Editor at Voyageur Press in Stillwater. Josh has written two books on baseball, "Take Me Out to the Ballpark," and "The World Series: An Illustrated Encyclopedia of the Fall Classic." A third edition of the World Series book is coming out this fall and Josh is editing and compiling and illustrated baseball anthology to be published by Voyageur Press next April. Josh mentions Game 5 of the 1995 Seattle-Yankees Divisional Series



*September....back to the books.
Thankfully for me that means
starting reading baseball books
and continuing research....*

as the most exciting game he has witnessed in person. Though Leventhal lived in Portland, Oregon for seven years before moving to Minnesota he is a die-hard Pirates fan (hey, with Dan Cagley there are now two Pirate fans in Minnesota) and admits to destroying property when Sid Bream slid home. Josh is married, with a new baby daughter (2-8-04) and also has a dog.

Another new member is **Kyle Eliason**, who attended the University of Texas at Austin for the past three years and played bass in several rock bands that toured all over the Southwest. Kyle is originally from White Bear Lake and is a commissioner of a fantasy baseball league and is finishing an English degree while working as a Senior Job Planner at the Merrill Corporation. Welcome Josh and Kyle. We all hope to see you at many chapter events.

State Champions and other stuff

The State Champions in amateur baseball in Minnesota for 2004 (in case you missed all the coverage in the Minneapolis or St. Paul papers)...

Class A: Minnetonka Millers
Class B: Jordan Brewers
Class C: Blue Earth Pirates

Class A held at Parade Stadium, Mpls. and Midway Stadium, St. Paul and Class B and C at Jordan and Belle Plaine. By the way, nice little park in Jordan. Catch a game there if you have a chance.

Over 35 Men's Leagues: (at Shakopee, Union Hill and New Prague)

Class AA: Anoka
Class A: Eden Prairie Lions Tap
Class B: Morris
Class C: Jordan Alers

Lee Temanson wasn't the only one to notice that Jason Kubel's name was misspelled as "Qubel" in his first major league box score. At least it wasn't "Q ball."

Stew Thornley caught a foul ball in the press box at the Metrodome a few weeks back. Rumor has it he had one of those world famous press box hot dogs in his other hand.

The breakfast club will meet this Saturday, September 11th at 9:00 a.m. at the normal spot of the Baker's Square at 66th and Xerxes in Richfield. Be there or Be Square.

Fall Chapter Meeting on October 23

The annual fall meeting of the Halsey Hall Chapter will be held on Saturday, October 23rd at the Community United Methodist Church in Columbia Heights. The church is located just east of Central Avenue at 950 Gould Avenue and there is plenty of parking in the neighborhood. Because of increased rental costs from the church and in order to insure we get enough food we ask that you R.S.V.P to Howard Luloff at hfan77@webtv.net or 952-922-5036 if you are planning on attending the fall meeting. Ten dollars (for food and rental cost) will be collected at the door but we would like a solid count beforehand, so please respond.

There are five time slots for research presentations in the morning. Contact Howard at the above addresses if you would like to give a presentation. Slots are distributed on a first come first served basis. Slots are from 9:15 to

9:45, 9:45 to 10:15, 10:30 to 11, 11 to 11:30 and 11:30 to noon. Guest speakers may include a panel of ex-Gopher baseball players. Stew and Brenda have again offered their home as a place to view the World Series game that night for those members interested.

Book Club

will meet again on Saturday, October 9th at 9:30 at the Barnes and Noble Bookstore in the Edina Galleria, just south of the Southdale Mall. The featured book is *The Numbers Game* by Alan Schwarz. Contact moderator Tom Swift at 507-645-2280 or tomswift@nickelcurves.com with comments or questions or visit the chapter web-site at www.HalseyHall.org for further information.

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“We finished last with you, we can finish last without you.”

Branch Rickey to Ralph Kiner
