

Mule Droppings

By Stew (Mule) Thornley

Fall Chapter Meeting to Be "Rocky" Affair

Former Baltimore Oriole second baseman Bob (Rocky) Johnson will be the featured guest at the Halsey Hall Chapter Meeting on Saturday, October 21 at Antonio's (registration form enclosed for all members who have not yet registered). Upon questioning, Rocky may reveal the source of his nickname, regale us with stories about Jackie Brandt and Ted Williams, and even divulge his activities when he almost fell off the roof of the Shoreham Hotel in Washington.

Prior to Johnson's appearance, there will be a full morning of research presentations by members, including Dan Levitt,

Bruce Stone, Mendal Mearkle, and Marc Hugunin. A silent auction will also be a part of this year's meeting as, of course, will be the ever-popular trivia quizzes and Dead or Alive.

Events

October 20—Fall Chapter Meeting

February 3—Hot Stove League Meeting

April 20—Spring Chapter Meeting

When the fun is finished at Antonio's, the party will continue as members gather at Brenda Himrich's for pizza and Game 1 of the World Series (Brenda even purchased a new 19-inch television for the event.)

Registration begins at 8:00 with a breakfast buffet available for the earlybirds. Even as the final touches for the Fall Chapter Meeting are being made, plans are in the works for other events.

The Hot Stove League meeting will take place on Saturday night, February 3 at the United Methodist Church in Columbia Heights. The Spring Chapter Meeting has tentatively been scheduled for Saturday, April 20 with at the Northeast Library on Central Avenue in Minneapolis.

When Harry Met Brenda



Photo by S. Thornley

Chapter president Brenda Himrich had the chance to pose with the second announcer to ever blurt "Holy Cow!" on a baseball broadcast, at Wrigley Field on Saturday, August 26.

Himrich was in Chicago for the Braves-Cubs series to assist a fellow Chapter member who is working on a children's book on Greg Maddux. Himrich had the chance to snap several photos of the Atlanta ace, both before and during the game.

Directories Available

The 1995-96 Halsey Hall Chapter Directory will be available at the October 21 meeting. It will be distributed to those present and mailed to others. There are still 17 charter members remaining from the original 33 when the Chapter formed in 1985.



Photo by Brenda Himrich

COW CHIPS

News about Chapter Members

Paul Rittenhouse is getting ready for another season of basketball refereeing. He tuned up with a stint as a football official for a Minneapolis City Conference game. . . . **Howard Luloff** is serving as the public-address announcer for volleyball at St. Louis Park High School. He has also applied for the announcing job with the new St. Cloud baseball franchise in the Prairie League. . . . World traveler **Phyllis Thornley** recently returned from her latest jaunt, this one to Canada's Maritime Provinces. . . . For the October 2 opening of the new \$11-million library in Rochester, **Nancy Jo Leachman** put together a window display consisting of groups of snowdomes, one of which was devoted to baseball. It included a Boston Red Sox snowdome, a SkyDome snowdome, and a combination snowdome/music box which is supposed to play *Take Me Out to the Ballgame* but instead plays *Love Story*. Nancy Jo's total collection of snowdomes now numbers 800 with 15 of them being related to baseball.