

Reinstate Buck Weaver to Major League Baseball

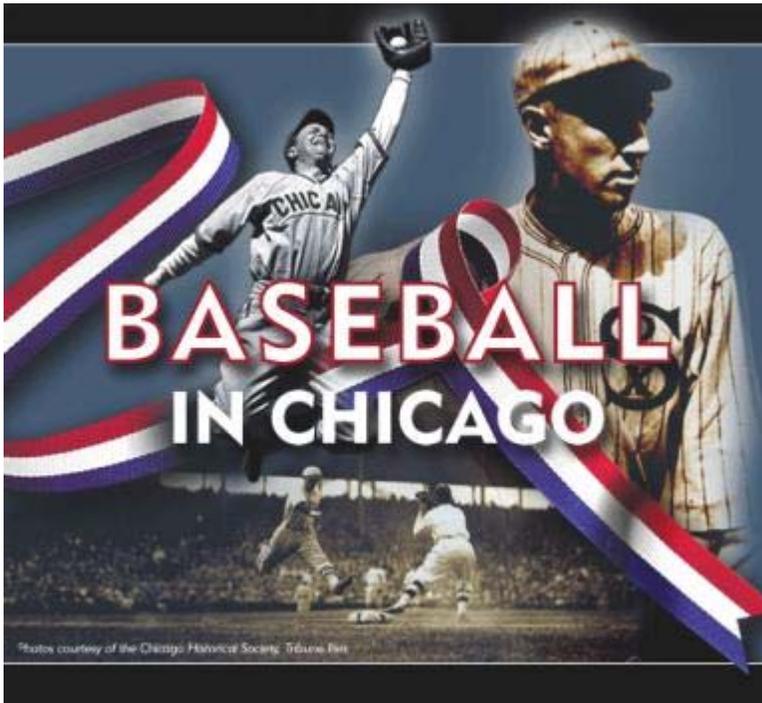
ClearBuck.com Update

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Baseball in Chicago

The Chicago Tribune recently ran a special feature on baseball in Chicago. The section includes a timeline of memorable moments; an article on baseball today, the origins of the Negro Leagues; photos from Chicago's ballparks, the Negro Leagues and of former players as they are today; videos encompassing baseball as one of the city's favorite pastimes, comparing north side and south side baseball, and the infamous baseball curses that seem to plague Chicago teams.



Dr. Fletcher, founder of ClearBuck.com is featured in the video "Baseball Curses." He discusses the need to clear the names of Buck Weaver and Joe Jackson, in order to lift the "Black Sox" curse that hangs over the Chicago White Sox team.

Whether you are a native Chicagoan or simply a fan of the sport, the "Baseball in Chicago" special section is worth visiting. Go to www.chicagotribune.com to browse the segment. The "Baseball Curses" video will be on our website shortly. In the meantime, visit the above link to view the piece.

Chicago Baseball Museum

The Chicago Tribune's feature gives you a good idea of the rich history of Chicago and baseball, a history that Dr. Fletcher would like to see permanently captured in The Chicago Baseball Museum. Plans are in progress to present and eventually develop a Chicago baseball museum that encompasses the Chicago Cubs, the Chicago White Sox, the Negro Leagues, the site of the first All-Star Game, Chicago's ballparks, baseball's first commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis and American League President Ban Johnson's offices on Michigan Avenue, Charles Comiskey and the Comiskey family, Bill Veeck, Disco Demolition and other items and events that had a tremendous impact on the sport, especially here in Chicago. We will keep you posted on the progress

Cross-town Classic

Who will win Chicago's cross-town classic this weekend?

Chicago Cubs

Chicago White Sox

[See Results]

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Chicago Tonight



As we mentioned in Issue 6, Dr. Fletcher appeared on WTTW's Chicago Tonight with Bob Sirott on April 22, 2004, the night of the Comiskey statue dedication at U.S. Cellular Field. Visit our website at www.clearbuck.com to view the segment.

DePaul University Focal Point Seminar

Dr. Fletcher had the opportunity to share his knowledge of the Black Sox scandal to a class of DePaul University freshman this month. **The Black Sox Scandal: The 1919 World Series in History and Myth** is a “focal point seminar” for university freshman. These seminars concentrate on a particular person, place, text, object, event, or idea with the goal of preparing students for university-level intellectual inquiry.



Nancy Grossman (assistant director of the LA & S honors program) offered students a chance to explore the 1919 World Series by gaining insight into historical

inquiry and evaluating and synthesizing from multiple sources; the roles of author bias and point of view in interpreting historic events; the strategies for supporting arguments and analyzing audience; the function of sports and media in our collective consciousness; and the issues of moral conduct and human frailty in evaluating historic events.

Visit the news page at ClearBuck.com or click [here](#) to read the rest of the story, see the essay assignment and view more photos.

SABR Convention July 15 – 18, 2004

The 2004 Society for American Baseball Research convention will be held at the Westin Hotel in downtown Cincinnati, Ohio. Click [here](#) to register online or visit www.sabr.org for more information about the organization and the annual convention.

Members of the ClearBuck.com campaign will attend a number of seminars,

including a panel on the 1919 World Series. The panel was put together by Gene Carney, a colleague of Dr. Fletcher who researches the Black Sox scandal.

NCRA Convention July 29 – August 1, 2004



Dr. Fletcher will be a featured speaker at the 2004 National Court Reporter's Convention in Chicago. His seminar, "The 1919 World Series Black Sox Scandal, Shorthand Reporters & Your Health – What Do They Have in Common?" takes place from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 31st. Dr. Fletcher will discuss the role of the court reporter in the 1921 Black Sox trial and the subsequent trial in 1924 when

Joe Jackson sued Charles Comiskey for back pay. Dr. Fletcher will also discuss the stress and ergonomics of court reporting.

Visit their website at www.ncraonline.com for more information.

CALENDAR NOTICE – Chicago Historical Society Black Sox program

This is just a reminder that the Chicago Historical Society is hosting a Black Sox symposium on Tuesday, October 5, 2004. The program will take place in the evening from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. and will include Dr. Fletcher, Eliot Asinof, Representative Patti Bellock (granddaughter of Charles Comiskey), Patricia Anderson (niece of Buck Weaver), Tom Cannon (grandson of Ray Cannon, Joe Jackson's attorney during the 1924 trial) and more.

Keep your calendars open and join us for a night of Chicago White Sox baseball. We will keep you posted as more information becomes available.

How Can I Help?

There are a number of ways you can help the ClearBuck.com campaign. If you haven't already done so, visit our website to sign the online petition or forward the link to everyone in your address book. Other ways you can help:

* [Download the petition](#) available on our website and take it to:

- Local sport and social activities
- Schools
- Community groups
- Special events taking place in your area

Please return all signed petitions to:

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* Write a letter to the editor of your local paper.

* Write a letter to Commissioner Allan H. 'Bud' Selig letting him know your thoughts about Major League Baseball's injustice to Buck Weaver. Send your letters to:

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Allan H. (Bud) Selig, Commissioner
245 Park Avenue, 31st Floor
New York, NY 10167
Phone: (212) 931-7800

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