

SABR 43 Panel Discussion 'Eight Men Out'

I am excited to announce the agenda for our annual committee meeting at SABR 43 in Philadelphia this summer.

On Friday, August 2, we will host a panel discussion to commemorate the 50th anniversary of "Eight Men Out," which was written by Eliot Asinof and first published in 1963. We've learned a great deal about the Black Sox Scandal in the last half-century, and we'll go over some of that new information and how it affects our understanding of the story popularized by Asinof's landmark book, which introduced so many of us to the fixed 1919 World Series.

The panelists will include:

- Dr. David Fletcher, founder and president of the Chicago Baseball Museum
- Bill Lamb, a retired New Jersey prosecutor and author of "Black Sox in the Courtroom: The Grand Jury, Criminal Trial and Civil Litigation"
- Moderator: Jacob Pomrenke, chair of the SABR Black Sox Scandal Committee
- And our special guest of honor: Patricia Anderson, niece and surrogate daughter of Buck Weaver. She and her sister, the late Bette Scanlon, were raised by Buck and Helen Weaver in Chicago for 16 years after their father died in 1931.

We're especially thrilled to have Patricia joining us in Philadelphia and I hope you'll all be there to listen to her stories about her uncle Buck.

More details will be available in the upcoming June edition of the Black Sox committee newsletter.

The panel is scheduled for 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. on Friday, August 2 at the Philadelphia Marriott Downtown (1201 Market St.) in Philadelphia, PA. To attend the panel, you must register for SABR 43 at SABR.org/convention. Any baseball fan is welcome to attend, not just SABR members. This week is a great time to register, as the all-inclusive rate and early-bird registration expires on Saturday, June 15. The full convention schedule will be posted in a day or two at SABR.org/convention.

Hope to see you there!

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