

Ted Williams (1918-2002) is regarded by many as the greatest player in Boston Red Sox history. In a career that spanned from 1939-42 and 1946-60, Ted amassed career totals of a .344 batting average and 521 home runs, both Red Sox career records. Ted also played in 18 All-Star Games and the 1946 World Series against the St. Louis Cardinals. Ted was elected to the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 1966 and the Red Sox Hall of Fame in 1995.

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SABR Boston was founded in 1999 to bring Boston-area members of the Society for American Baseball Research (SABR) together to study the history of baseball on both local and national levels. The Boston chapter, in cooperation with the national office of SABR in Cleveland, Ohio, hosted the SABR National Convention in 2002 with a record 700+ attendees. Ongoing SABR Boston events include semi-annual regional meetings and offseason "Hot Stove League" get-togethers at Boston-area brew pubs. For more information on SABR Boston visit <http://world.std.com/~pgw/Boston/> or email Paul Wendt, secretary at pgw@world.std.com.

SABR Boston Presents
The
Ted Williams
Symposium



September 13, 2003

Rabb Lecture Hall
Boston Public Library

TED THE MAN: Individual Presentations 10:30am - 12:30pm



Ted Williams: The Jimmy Fund's All-Time All-Star
Ted's commitment to the Jimmy Fund, the official charity of the Boston Red Sox. Presented by Saul Wisnia.

Saul Wisnia, publications editor for Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and its Jimmy Fund, is a former sports and feature correspondent for the *Washington Post* and the author of three books: *Wit and Wisdom of Baseball*, *Baseball's Prime-Time Stars*, and *The Jimmy Fund of Dana-Farber Cancer Institute*. He was the Kid's tour guide on his last visit to Dana-Farber in 1999.



Ted Williams, the Evolution of a Sportsman

Ted's second career as a top fisherman, hunter and conservationist. Presented by Bill Nowlin.

Bill Nowlin began writing about Boston baseball and Ted Williams in 1997, and hasn't let up since, having completed several books (often with frequent co-author Jim Prime) and scores of articles. He is also a founder of Rounder Records. Music and baseball—keeps him busy.

Ted Williams: The Reluctant Hero

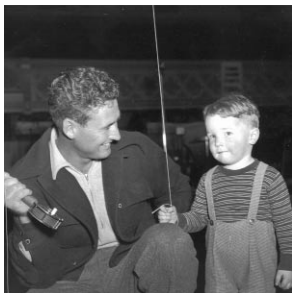
Bill will also present on the subject of Ted's military career.



Writing a Biography of Ted Williams

The experience of writing a full-length biography of Ted. Presented by Ben Bradlee Jr.

Ben Bradlee Jr. has spent the last 24 years with *The Boston Globe*, 10 years as a reporter and 14 as an editor, most recently the deputy managing editor who oversaw the newspaper's Pulitzer Prize-winning coverage of the sexual abuse scandal in the Catholic Church. The author of three previous books, he is currently on a leave of absence to write a biography of Ted Williams, to be published by Little, Brown.



Ted Williams as Teacher

Ted's commitment to passing on his knowledge to others. Presented by Steve Feroli.

Steve Feroli is the founder and Commissioner of the Ted Williams League for youth baseball. Feroli was personally designated by Ted Williams as his technical successor. He is author of the books *Hit Your Potential* and *Discipline of A Master* (both books have a Foreword by Ted Williams), as well as writer and director of the instructional video, *Hitting the Ted Williams Way, Parent, Coach and Player*.

Lunch break 12:30pm to 1:30pm

1:30pm to 2:00pm Trivia Contest!

Try your hand at this Ted Williams Trivia quiz, prepared by SABR Boston member Mark Kanter, and you could win a nifty prize from the Ted Williams Museum!

2:00pm to 2:10pm The Ted Williams Museum

A brief presentation by Dave McCarty, director of the Ted Williams Museum

2:15pm "Teddy At The Bat"

Performed by Dick Flavin, one of America's leading and most versatile humorists

TED WILLIAMS AND BOSTON BASEBALL

2:30pm to 3:00pm Individual Presentations followed by panel discussion



Ted Williams as a Public Figure

Ted's relationship with the media, photographers and fans. Presented by Richard Johnson.

Richard Johnson is the Curator of the New England Sports Museum and co-author, with Glenn Stout, of the books *Red Sox Century* and *Yankees Century*. In 1991, Richard and Glenn co-authored *Ted Williams: A Portrait in Words and Pictures*. Richard is also author of *The Boston Braves*.



Ted Williams: The Man Behind the Myth

Ted as a person beyond the hero and mythical figure. Presented by Lawrence Baldassaro.

Lawrence Baldassaro, a native of Chicopee, MA, is Professor of Italian and Comparative Literature and Director of the Honors Program at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. He is the co-editor of *The American Game: Baseball and Ethnicity* (2002) and editor of *Ted Williams: Reflections on a Splendid Life* (2003). He is also a regular contributor to *Lead Off*, the Milwaukee Brewers magazine and, for a few weeks in 1992, he pitched batting practice for the Brewers. He is currently writing a history of Italian Americans in major league baseball.

3:00pm - 4:15pm TED WILLIAMS AND BOSTON BASEBALL

The day's presentations will conclude with a panel discussion featuring Steve Buckley of the *Boston Herald*, Richard Johnson of the New England Sports Museum, and Lawrence Baldassaro, editor of *Ted Williams: Reflections on a Splendid Life*, and moderated by Bill Nowlin.

4:30pm DOOR PRIZE RAFFLE

Hang onto your admission ticket for our end of the day door prize drawing, as well! You must be present to win!