

BLOHARDS

Benevolent and Loyal Order of Honorable and Ancient Red Sox Diehard Sufferers of New York

Theo-Logical Thursday

July 26, 2012, 11:30AM EDT - High Balls Cancelled (This Time Only)
Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church – NE Corner of 73rd & Madison

“IT IS MY STYLE TO BE AHEAD OF THE PLAY. YOU CAN DO PLAY-BY-PLAY AFTER THE FACT, BUT I CHOOSE NOT TO.”

JOHN STERLING

And now for something completely different... To mark the Olde Towne Team's first visit to the Bronx this season (hey, Katy Feeney – it's late July, for chrissakes!), the BLOHARDS, the postseason-bound Red Sox, and the Great Fenway Park Writers Series are collaborating on a luncheon program unlike any other – that week.

In addition to **Ray Duffy** pitching the Henry Berry Memorial Slideshow, **John Quinn** hitting the corners with trivia questions, and **Governor Chris Wertz** lobbing in what he has seen from the Governors' box in the last row of the Section 5 grandstand, the two-hour program will feature a panel discussion on the first hundred years of Fenway Park. Expect at least five riveting minutes on the species of smelt dropped by a seagull alongside then-St. Louis Browns pitcher **Ellis Kinder** on May 17, 1947. We'll speculate on whether the Omega-3 rich creature in question was three ounces (*Chicago Tribune*) or three pounds (Wikipedia).

While the identities of the panelists could not be officially confirmed as of press time, luminaries at previous Great Fenway Park Writers Series gatherings have included past BLOHARDS' guests **Larry Lucchino** and **Joe Castiglione**, **Rico Petrocelli** (one of five players with ten letters in his last name and a forty-HR season), **Don Orsillo**, **Peter Gammons**, **Tony Mazz**, **Jerry Remy**, and **Gordon Edes**. We also hear that our beloved **Dr. Charles Steinberg** will also be addressing the BLOHARDS, recounting tales from the long and winding road he took through Los Angeles and Milwaukee on his way back to us.

The luncheon ain't cheap, but it includes a copy of the well-received *Fenway Park – 100 Years*, which lists for \$75.00 and isn't being discounted by the large booksellers. We aren't arranging the lunch menu, but we've been promised there will be something. The words "boxed lunch" have been bandied about. I'd bring a banana just in case.

It's back to the Yale Club on Tuesday, October 2nd for an end-of-the-season gathering to celebrate clinching the Wild Card (game). **Pizzarelli** (with copies of his new book), **Ed Randall**, **David Margolick**, **Bob Sullivan**, and **Dave OB** will be on hand to help prepare our hearts and minds for the postseason run.

Luncheon reservations necessary!

\$100 per person –includes *Fenway Park – 100 Years* (\$75.00 by itself)

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