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# Kiwanian

Meeting At Vulcan Park & Museum - Tuesday, June 29

## OFF-SITE MEETING AT VULCAN PARK & MUSEUM 12:00 NOON

As Birmingham's only comprehensive history museum, the Vulcan Park and Museum is proud to share stories that make our city unique through periodically changing exhibits presented in Linn-Henley Gallery in Vulcan Center Museum. In celebration of Rickwood Field's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Vulcan Park and Museum is proud to present *From Factory to Field: The Dream of Baseball in Birmingham*, an exhibition that celebrates America's favorite pastime, from a uniquely Birmingham perspective.



Since Birmingham's very early days, baseball has been embraced by our residents, playing an important role in our city's cultural development. *From Factory to Field* recounts the rise of baseball in Birmingham's company towns and takes visitors through the heyday of professional baseball with the Barons and Black Barons. Visitors are introduced to unknown industrial and Negro league players as well as such baseball luminaries as Willie Mays and Satchel Paige.

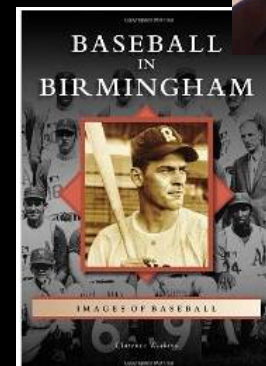
In addition to compelling characters and their stories, visitors to *From Factory to Field* encounter a host of unique images and objects. Rarely seen archival photos from Rickwood Field's early days along with vintage equipment, uniforms, and souvenir promotional materials from local private collections bring the story of baseball in Birmingham to life.

In a special presentation for the Kiwanis Club, passionate and knowledgeable baseball enthusiast Clarence Watkins will share colorful stories, and will be on hand to sign copies of his popular *Baseball in Birmingham*, a pictorial history of the city's fascination with the national pastime. A lifelong baseball fan, Clarence has traveled the Southeast for the past 30 years researching the teams of the old Southern Association. Clarence is co-founder of the Southern Association Conference, now in its ninth year, a member of the Triple Play Club of Birmingham, and on the Board of Directors of the Friends of Rickwood. An avid researcher, Clarence is a member of the Society for American Baseball Research.



Stories by:  
**Clarence Watkins**  
Author  
*"Baseball in Birmingham"*

A full buffet will be provided by Dreamland BBQ, tours of the museum and the Baseball exhibit will be offered before and after Mr. Watkins remarks.



Shuttle will pick up in Vulcan's parking area beginning at 11:15 a.m.

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### Next Tuesday's Program June 29, 2010 – 12 noon



**GREAT FOOD  
GREAT FELLOWSHIP  
GREAT FUN**

**VULCAN PARK  
& MUSEUM**

### Upcoming Programs

- Jul 6 NO MEETING - HAVE A SAFE HOLIDAY
- Jul 13 John Hofmeister, Retired President -  
Shell Oil Company / Author "Why We  
Hate Oil Companies"  
ROTARACT MEMBERS WILL JOIN US
- Jul 20 Troy King, Attorney General  
State of Alabama

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SHUTTLE FROM PARKING AREA BEGINS AT 11:15 A.M.  
FOOD BY DREAMLAND BBQ—DOOR PRIZES TOO**

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