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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

“Andrew Rube Foster” Legacy
Negro National League 100 Year Celebration 2020 Announcement
Press Conference

Andrew “Rube” Foster founder of the Negro National League in 1920 -1931, elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame, Cooperstown in 1981 and his brother William “Hendrick” Foster known as Bill was a pitcher for Rube’s Chicago American Giants elected in to the Baseball Hall of Fame, Cooperstown in 1996 , Grand Father of William “Doug” Foster, Jr.

When/Where: Tuesday, September 17, 2019
11:00 a.m. Freedmen’s Hall Museum (HUH)
2041 Georgia Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20059

Who/What: Celebration 2020 coming to the nation’s capital.
Andrew “Rube” Foster - 140th birthday, who was born on September 17th, 1879.

Dwayne Randal Sims, Negro League Legends Hall of Fame, Inc.
William “Doug” Foster, Jr., “The Fosters’ Legacy”

Rube’s impacted not only the opportunities for baseball players to play the game of baseball but changed American baseball history. The league was integrated with players from Latin America and whites playing while major league baseball was segregated.

We are reaching out to families who relatives may have played during the Colored/Independent leagues and Negro Leagues to contact us, so that we can share their information with our research resource.

FREEDMENS’ HALL MUSEUM

Griffith Stadium was built on the same property preceding Howard University Hospital. Home plate location is marked in the hall way outside of the Freedmen’s Hall Museum. Griffith Stadium also served as home field for the Negro National League Homestead Grays from 1940 until 1948, the team splitting their home games between Washington and Pittsburgh

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Unveiling of the signature Andrew Rube Foster NLLHOF **Centennial** Collector’s bat numbered limited edition 1 of 1920 thru 1920 of 1920.

SPECIAL GUESTS

Cable “Cab” Calloway daughters Camay Calloway Murphy and Cecelia Calloway
While on tour Cab organized baseball games in which his band wearing their own uniforms would compete in exhibition games.

NEGRO LEAGUE PLAYER

Pedro Sierra
Latin baseball player played for the Negro League Indianapolis Clowns and the Detroit Stars. When he was 7 years he remembers when Jackie Robinson came to Havana, Cuba March 7, 1947.

FOSTERS' LEGACY

William "Doug" Foster, Jr. is sharing the rich legacy of both his Great Uncle "Rube" and Grand Father William Hendrick Foster known as Bill contributions to America's great past time baseball. Rube became a great manager of the game and owner of the Chicago American Giants. Rube's impact to the game of baseball is like no other during the time of segregation and treatment of being unequal. Bill was one of the great pitchers in baseball, during 1926 winning 23 games in a row, and was the top vote recipient in the first East-West All Star game in 1933.

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The vision of the Negro League Legends Hall of Fame is to educate the young and old about the contributions of the Colored /Independent Professional Leagues and the Negro Leagues in American Baseball history. There were over 3,000 players that played from the 1900's to the early 1960's. They were the pioneers in integrated leagues of some of the greatest players playing America's game of baseball. Segregation kept them from playing in the white major league until Jackie Robinson officially broke the color barrier in the modern era.

CELEBRATION 2020 PARTNERS

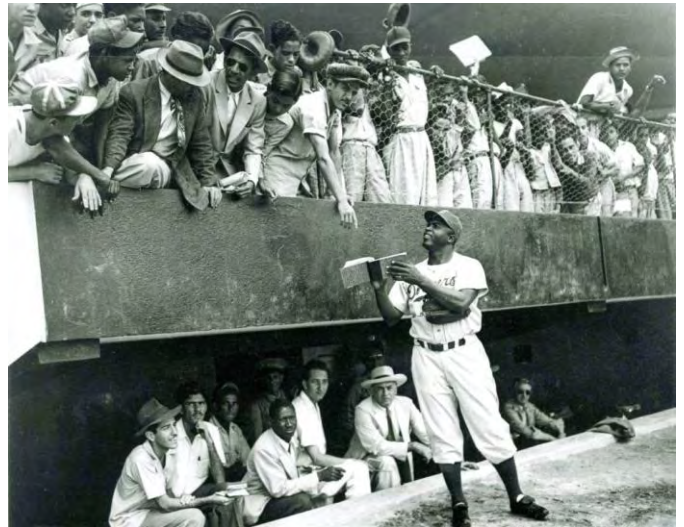
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Cab Calloway Baseball Team



Jackie in Havana, Cuba in 1947

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