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TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME

WCJC English Instructor writes articles, edits books about baseball

WHARTON, TEXAS – Wharton County Junior College English instructor Rick Bush has a fascination with America's favorite pastime, and he's sharing his interest with readers everywhere.

When not engaged in the classroom, Bush spends his free time researching various topics and writing numerous articles for The Society for American Baseball Research (SABR) publications. Bush's work – which includes articles on the business side of baseball, baseball in the arts and historical accounts of past teams – has appeared in several volumes, including *Nuclear Powered Baseball*, *From the Braves to the Brewers*, *The 1986 Boston Red Sox* and *Au Jeu, Play Ball*.

Bush has also written several articles and served as a co-editor and the photo editor for a new volume on the Houston Astrodome, entitled *Dome Sweet Dome, History and Highlights from 35 Years of the Houston Astrodome*. The book shares details of the Astrodome's construction, cultural impact and innovations, as well as highlighting memorable Houston Astros games. The book is currently available on Amazon.

Most recently, Bush has served as co-editor and contributing author for a book tentatively entitled, *The End of an Era: The 1948 Birmingham Black Barons, Homestead Grays and the Last Negro League World Series*. The book examines the decline of the Negro Leagues, which existed as a result of segregation. The book is slated for publication later this year.

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