

April 6, 2004

Mr. Jeffrey Idelson  
Vice President, Communications and Education  
National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum  
25 Main Street  
Cooperstown, NY 13326

Dear Mr. Idelson:

It's been brought to my attention that, through conversation with Mr. Eric Lincoln, you've learned of the City of Pittsfield's research efforts into the history of Wahconah Park and the subsequent compilation of these findings into a book entitled, "Wahconah Park & Grandstand Chronology, 1892-2003." As you may be aware, the City of Pittsfield recently submitted an application seeking *National Register of Historic Places* designation for this city-owned ballpark. The park has a colorful baseball past (dating back as far as 1892) and has frequently been the subject of magazine and newspaper stories recognizing its appeal to the baseball purist.

I would be pleased to present a copy of the "Wahconah Park & Grandstand Chronology, 1892-2003" to the Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum Library so that it may be made available to a wider audience.

The relative proximity of Pittsfield to Cooperstown would allow me and other city representatives to visit with you and deliver several copies of our Wahconah Park Chronology book. If possible, we would like to make a media covered presentation perhaps highlighting some of the memorable events and players that have left their mark on our beloved ballpark. A late May or early June presentation date would allow time for preparing bound copies suitable for your library.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Mayor James Ruberto