## Collector's Dugout The Faces & Facts About Fellow Hobbyists



At 35 years old, **Peter Calderon** is now in his 25th year of collecting baseball cards. He started at the age of..., well, you do the math. He now lives in the Chicago suburb of Tinley Park, IL.

He is a graphics designer for Design Dimensions, an ad agency in nearby Orland Park.

Pete, as he is often called, is a recognized authority on early caramel and candy cards (E-cards). He says that he has a particular soft spot for E92s and Cy Young cards, "but my favorite baseball card set is the E90-3 American Caramel. I also collect 1940s Mutoscopes, Rita Hayworth items, and the photographs produced by 1920s-40s Hollywood photographer George Hurrell."

Pete is a lifetime Chicago Cubs fan and, next to baseball games, likes going to concerts. He is an active member of the Network54 Vintage Baseball Cards Forum and has created a website focused on candy cards at <u>www.caramel-cards.com</u>. He can be reached at <u>petecld@earthlink.net</u>.

While 10-year-old **Derek Riker** may not be considered a typical vintage collector and *Old Cardboard* subscriber, his collecting interests certainly qualify him for inclusion in these pages. He has been collecting baseball cards now for just over 4 years (or nearly half his young life). With a little help from his dad,



the Charleston, SC native has

accomplished what most veteran collectors only dream about. For the last 2 years, his main emphasis has been the completion of the 1909-11 T206 White Border set, including print errors, variations, and brand backs. And as of now, his T206 collection is short only two cards: those for Bill O'Hara (St. Louis) and the elusive Honus Wagner!

Derek's collection includes other cards from the same "T206 era," such as the 1912 T227 Series of Champions. The 1887 N28 and the 1888 N29 Allen & Ginter sets are his next quest.

Derek can be contacted at: <u>krrikerdds@aol.com</u>. His eBay ID: T206kid.



After completing a 1952 Topps set as a young boy in Kansas City, **John Esch** took a 20-year break from baseball card collecting. Meanwhile, he had the good sense to relocate to Ft. Worth, TX (oops, here we go showing our regional bias!). John re-entered the hobby in

1976 and soon afterwards uncovered

the "find of my life" at a Houston card show. A chance encounter lead to buying two foot lockers full of immaculate cards from the 30's, 40's and 50's. "This jump started me into collecting pre-war cards, including some classic 30's non-sport sets," he now reflects.

His favorite sets remain the 1952 Topps and the 1953 Bowmans, but over the years he has been able to complete most mainstream sets produced after 1900.

John's current most active pursuits are completing the T210, T211, Orange Borders, T222, E100, E107, PC805, M113, M114, M116 and the R309-2 sets. He would welcome the chance to hook up with other hobbyists interested in these sets. His email address is <u>taxidodger@wn.cncdsl.com</u>.

In 1972 at the age of 7 years, **Scott Mosley** was introduced to baseball card collecting by his father. This year, as Scott's own son turns seven, Scott looks forward to passing his hobby interests on to the next generation of Mosleys.



Scott has finished several candy sets from the early 20th century, and also collects cigarette packs from the same era. His E95 and E98 collec-

tions are now complete, and he has now finished all but the few most difficult players for his collections of P2 pins as well the T205 and T206 tobacco sets.

The highlight of Scott's collecting, however, is a complete set of every known card in the 1910 All Star Baseball issue. It is most likely the only such grouping in existence, and Scott has agreed to contribute an article about it, complete with a full gallery of all cards, to run in a future issue of *Old Cardboard* Magazine.

Living in the Philadelphia area, Scott is also an avid "Flyers" hockey fan. He can be reached at phlflyer1@comcast.net.

Although **David Bryan** has been collecting baseball cards for nearly a quarter of a century, many hobbyists today know him as an active seller of quality vintage material on eBay.



David, along with his wife Kathy, their eight-year-old daughter Megan and their German Shepherd Oliver, live in Apex, NC.

In his "younger years," according to David, he often played in competitive softball and traveled all over the U. S. playing in tournaments. About five years ago, he gave up a career in Civil Engineering ("...which I really liked") so that he could devote full time to his card collecting hobby and business ("...which I really love").

David's favorite baseball cards are now over 100 years old. His advanced collection includes a handful of "Lone Jacks" and "Kalamazoo Bats," along with other examples from all but the most obscure of the obscure 19th century issues. He can be reached via email at <u>dbryan7414@aol.com</u>; his eBay ID is davidbvintage.

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