## Incite "Insight in Sight": Use That Decoder!

The Barry Code's "Bat Special 2" confirms an amazing link of two "scandalized" stars, Black Soxer Buck Weaver and steroid suspect Mark McGwire, while displaying the enlightening nature of Codell statistics.

The dubiousness of the traditional .300 average has never been so spotlighted as when juxtaposed against Codell's encompassing B-GOD (Batting Game Offensive Differential). Back to Buck and Mac: Of the tens of thousands of seasons in batting average history, Buck Weaver in 1918 had the worst B-GOD of any player ever hitting .300 or better and, contrapunctually, Mark McGwire compiled the best B-God for any player ever hitting less than .300 , exactly 80 years later.

The "Barry Code Tote Board" final results:

|  |  | BA | B-God |
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| Buck Weaver | 1918 | .300 | -1.313 |
| Mark McGwire | 1998 | .299 | +1.261 |

For batting effectiveness, it's no contest. That $1 / 1000$ percentage point BA edge for Weaver over McGwire pales utterly when compared to the startling B-GOD margin McGwire has over Weaver of 2.574 more batted bases to at-bats per every game those two fallen legends protesting innocence played in these divinely derived seasons. Case, barely opened, closed.

Even a simple trial run on the Barry Code Decoder leads to discoveries hitherto uncharted. Staying right here in Chicago with poor Buck Weaver, a survey of yearly league pitcher leaders in won-lost percentage reaffirms right-handers Carlos Zambrano of the Cubs in 2006 and Richard Dotson of the White Sox in 1983 as pacesetters. But the Code unveils so much more. It turns out Zambrano is the only hurler in history who reached the top W-L Pct. while pitching for a team with the worst (the Cubs finished $16^{\text {th }}$ of 16 NL teams in '06). And while the Decoder shows A.L. leader Dotson barely behind Cardinal John Denny for the ML crown (. 760 to .759 ), Codell advises to further check the Code's "Super Calculator," creating a stat showing won-lost differential per start (W-L/GS), which shows Dotson ahead of Denny . 429 to .361 : short but to the (percentage) point!

Decode those teams, too! I quickly (or gradually, if I choose!) find the 2005 White Sox, as Codell has said, indeed to be the only one of all time to reach these batting, running, pitching and fielding goals, respectively: 200 HRs, 100 SBs, less than 4 runs allowed per game, less than 100 errors in season. By picking up the pace in these departments even more in post-season, it's no wonder the "overlooked champs" accomplished something even more, something that no other team has done ('27 and '28 Yanks came closest!). The 2005 White Sox alone had their league's best record wire to wire (from first game played through last), while sweeping the World Series, leading composite post-season scoring from first inning through last. (The ' 27 Yanks just missing the latter part, the '28 Yanks just missing the former!)

This insight, too, was reiterated thanks to the "search and research" capability of the Decoder, ever ciphering and siphoning. Succinctly simple (Carl Yastrzemski standing alone with three $40-\mathrm{HRs}$ years, three batting titles) or casually complicated (let's check out Codell's "bases per reach" team totals per decade), it's all up to the IBARs (Individuals for Baseball's Absolute Recounting), those selfless statmasters spreading the Barry Code!

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