THE CLASSIC CORNER January/February 2013 Price-List & Guide

Welcome to 2013

We are pleased to announce that *The Classic Corner* will begin offering *Collectible Fine Wines* as part of our Auction repertoire sometime later this year. I am very excited about the prospect of implementing a new product line that so many people enjoy. We'll start out with just a few lots and see what develops. In addition, I will be writing reviews, from time to time, about what's happening in the World of Viniculture. Stay Tuned. **Rebecca Tarbotton**, Director of *Rain Forest Action Network*, Dies in a drowning accident on December 26th. I was saddened to hear that Rebecca Tarbotton President of San Francisco based *Rain Forest Action Network* was killed the day after Christmas in Mexico while vacationing with her family. A native of Canada, Tarbotton was a rising star in the rough and tumble world of environmental activism. She is survived by her Husband and immediate family. Rebecca Tarbotton (1973 – 2012) was 39. **Consignments Wanted:** We are currently accepting consignments for our 1st Auction of 2013. For immediate consideration contact **Jim Miller** @: # (609) 586 – 4815 (24/7); E-mail: info@classiccornerauctions.com or log onto our web-site and download a copy of our Consignment Submission Form @: www.classic-corner.com Hope 2013 is a Good Year for You.



The Classic Corner presents . . . The All-Time (15) Best Quarterbacks List

Everyone seems to have their own idea who the best Pro QB's of All-Time are. We do, too. Only **Retired** players included. Should be fun. Here we go.....

- # 1) Johnny Unitas Baltimore Colts (Contrary to popular belief John Elway *didn't* invent the (2) minute drill. Johnny Unitas was the "Master of the Late Drive" long before Elway ever laced up his shoes. Amazingly adept at reading defenses, Unitas could pick apart the opposition's secondary with a stealthy precision that few possessed. Won (3) NFL Championships (1958 1959 1971). The Best.
- # 2) Joe Montana San Francisco 49'ers (I've seen QB's with better arms. Some of his contemporaries were better "out of pocket" passers. But when you add everything up, Joe Montana was cumulatively on a level all his own. Cool under pressure. Always made the right decisions. High "Football IQ" according to the scouts. Won (4) NFL Championships

- #3) Otto Graham Cleveland Browns (Very conceivably, I could've made Otto Graham #1 on this list. Want Championships? He won (4) of them when the Browns were members of the old AAFC. (1946 1947 1948 and 1949). Graham won (3) more (NFL Championships: 1950 1954 1955) in the 1950's. Doesn't possess the gaudy individual stats of the present day signal callers but he just knew how to win. Was the best QB of his era.
- **#4) John Elway Denver Broncos** (I never cared for John Elway. Hated the idea that he turned his nose up at the old Baltimore Colts when they drafted him No. #1 in 1983. Won (2) Championships with the Broncos.. Very impressive resume that includes: 300 career TD's, 2nd most wins (147) of any starting QB except Brett Favre, low interception to TD ratio, 79.9 passer rating and on and on. Few were better.
- # 5) Sammy Baugh Washington Redskins (I know what you're thinking. Sammy Baugh played (1937 1952) in an era when the Forward Pass was still in its infancy. His Game probably doesn't translate into a working model of today's smash-mouth gridiron clashes. You'd be absolutely correct. Slingin' Sammy makes our list not so much as a statistical phenomenon but more as a visionary who could really play. A pioneer of sorts. Yes, he is the player given credit for making the Forward Pass an integral part of the Game. Despite the fact that *most* of his passing records have long since been surpassed, he still holds (2) QB records: 6x consecutively he led the NFL in passing and he has the *lowest* percentage of interceptions to passes attempted. The man could flat out play.
- # 6) Dan Marino Miami Dolphins (Hard not to like Dan Marino. His (420) TD's, 60,000+ passing yards, 86.4 QB rating and (9) Pro Bowl selections make him one of the all-time greats. Wasn't the best out of pocket passer. Never had much of a running Game to help him out. I think he is often unfairly judged by the fact that he never won a Super Bowl. Regardless of what you think of Dan Marino, his stats and Body of Work stack up with just about anyone. Great player, classy Guy and wonderful Ambassador for the Game of Football.
- # 7) Brett Favre Green Bay Packers (Brett Favre is the All-Time Leader in so many Passing categories, it's hard to keep track. Most notable: Most Touchdowns Career (508), most passing yards career, Wasn't afraid to tuck the pigskin under his arm and run for that extra yard or two. Most impressive is his consecutive games played streak(297). Won (1) Super Bowl in 1996. One of the best.
- #8) Sonny Jurgensen Washington Redskins (Christian Adolph "Sonny" Jurgensen was 1st drafted by the Eagles in 1957 but is more renowned (and revered) for his playing days with the Washington Redskins (1964 1974). Always a threat to uncork the Long Bomb, Jurgensen amassed some prolific stats along the way: 255 TD Passes, 32, 224 Yards passing, (5x) Pro Bowl Selection and a 82. 6 QB Rating (Highest among the Dead Ball Era Players (pre 1978). Perhaps the biggest praise came from none other than Vince Lombardi who called Jurgensen "One of the Greatest QB's to ever play the Game."
- #9) Bart Starr Green Bay Packers (I think Bart Starr's greatest attribute was that he was the quintessential "Thinking Man's QB." Always seemed to make the right plays. It used to send chills up Packers fans' spines watching him orchestrate the fabled "Green Bay Sweep" with Jimmy Taylor and Paul Hornung. His career stats are good, but don't leap off the page at you. Starr's shining moment came in the Ice Bowl when snuck over right guard (Jerry Kramer) to beat the Dallas Cowboys and send the Pack into the Super Bowl. Won (5) NFL Championships: 1961, 1962, 1965, 1966 and 1967.

- # 10) Steve Young San Francisco 49'ers (Steve Young was born to play Football. His 96.8 QB rating is the *highest* of any retired player. (6) NFL Passing Titles and (3x) Super Bowl Champion. Still holds the record for (6) TD Passes in a Super Bowl Game. Started in the USFL. Could scramble and a master at the "Play-Action." Succeeding Joe Montana no easy task and Young pulled it off masterfully. High level Football Intellect.
- # 11) Terry Bradshaw Pittsburgh Steelers (I think Terry Bradshaw is sometimes unfairly critiqued as the "Guy who had the World's Best Supporting Cast." Anytime you have players the caliber of: Lynn Swann, Franco Harris, LC Greenwood, Mean Joe Greene, etc., you're going to be judged on that. Bradshaw could throw with the best of them in the 1970's. A heady player who knew what it took to win. Pittsburgh may not have won all of their Super Bowl Titles with someone else at the helm.
- # 12) Joe Namath NY Jets (When Joe Namath first walked onto the Shea Stadium turf in 1965, he had as much raw talent as anyone. You don't play QB for the University of Alabama without being a bona fide top prospect. Set many AFL Passing records. George Sauer and Don Maynard were top targets. Knee injuries robbed the Beaver Falls, Pa. native of what could've been an even more spectacular career. His bold prediction of the Jets upsetting the heavily favored Colts in SB III came true.
- **# 13) Kurt Warner St. Louis Rams** (The progenitor of the "Greatest Show on Turf" in St. Louis was the master of the quick slant pass over the middle. Big arm and very accurate (65.5 % career completions). Has the unique distinction of being the only player to have thrown at least (100) TD's passes for two different teams (St. Louis and Arizona). Has (208) career TD's and 32, 000+ yards passing to go along with his stellar 93.7 QB rating. Should be a 1st ballot Hall of Famer when Canton calls.
- # 14) Phil Simms NY Giants (Phil Simms was a dynamic signal caller for the Giants. Won (2) Super Bowls. Has (199) career TD's and amassed in excess of 33, 462 yards passing. Proof positive that you can go to a small college (Moorehead State) and still succeed at a high level in the NFL. Unfortunately, I think his brilliant career will be somewhat cast in the shadow of present day star Eli Manning when all is said and done. Should be a Hall of Famer.
- # 15) Warren Moon Houston Oilers (A product of both the CFL and NFL, Warren Moon put up numbers that exceed many of his contemporaries. 435 TD passes, 5,300+ completions, over 49, 000 yards passing and a 80.9 QB rating. Sadly, his critics will counter that lots of those numbers came against sub-par competition in the CFL. I have to agree that the "very best players" were in the NFL, but his (291) career NFL TD passes makes him a viable candidate for our list. Recognized in both the Canadian and National Football Halls of Fame.

Honorable Mention: These are Quarterbacks who, for one reason or another, didn't make our Top 15 List but are still regarded by their peers, contemporaries and colleagues as some of the best: *Troy Aikman, Bobby Layne, Kenny Stabler, Dan Fouts, Roger Staubach, George Blanda, Darryl Lamonica, Fran Tarkenton.*

Stan Musial (1920 – 2013)

One of the Greatest Ballplayers of all-time. (7) NL Batting Titles, 3600+ hits, (3) World Championships with the Cardinals (1942 – 1944 – 1946). Stan "The Man" Musial exemplified class and dignity both on and off the field. I think Sports Announcer **Bob Costas** said it best that "Stan Musial treated everyone he knew with the same respect that he would like afforded him" An icon in St. Louis and everywhere else for that matter, Musial is one of the last of a vanishing breed. He will be missed.

1940's Babe Ruth "Baseball Magazine" Send-Away Premium

Babe Ruth *Baseball Magazine* Send-Away Premium (Sepia toned, large size Premium of The Babe. These were mail order items that kids could send away for by submitting 25 cents and coupons. PLEASE NOTE: These premiums were not cut or extracted from the pages of any magazine. They are a completely separate entity. Measures approx: 9" x 12" Suitable for framing. Shows light wear in spots, particularly on borders. Overall nice. Vg condition) \$75.00 + \$1.99 S&H

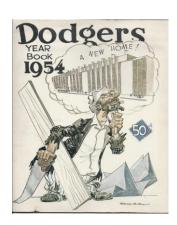
1940's Joe DiMaggio "Baseball Magazine" Send-Away Premium

Joe DiMaggio *Baseball Magazine* Send-Away Premium (Sepia-toned, large size Premium of Joe DiMaggio. Mail order item that kids procured by sending in 25 cents and coupons. PLEASE NOTE: These are actual premiums and not taken from the pages of any magazine or publication. Show light creasing in a few spots but is overall very nice. Vg/Ex condition)

\$\frac{25.00 + \$1.99 S&H}{}\$









1954 Brooklyn Dodgers Official Yearbook

1954 Brooklyn Dodgers Yearbook (Willard Mullin illustrated front cover. Roster includes: *Jackie Robinson*, *Duke Snider*, *Pee Wee Reese*, *Roy Campanella*, *etc*. In addition, great bios on *Vince Scully*, *Happy Felton*, *etc*. The only flaw would be some spine wear at the bottom that also shows up on back cover. Otherwise, very solid. Clean as a Bell inside. Vg/Ex condition) \$45.00 + \$3.99 S&H

1965 Orlando Cepeda (HOF) Topps Baseball Card

1965 Orlando Cepeda (HOF) Topps Baseball Card (Here's one for the condition-conscious. Not graded. # 360 in the '65 Topps set. Crease-free. Wonderful tone and color. Looks like 60/40 centering left to right. Should grade pretty high. Will be shipped in a screw-down plastic holder. Strong Ex cond.) \$ 19. 99 + .99 cents S&H

<u>1966 – 68 Detroit Tigers Stellar Lot of (4) Baseball Cards</u>

1966 – 68 Detroit Tigers Lot of (4) Nice Condition Baseball Cards (Lot includes the following: (1) 1968 Denny McLain Topps Card – Graded BVG 6. # 40 in the '68 set; (1) 1967 Dick McAuliffe Topps Card (Not graded. # 170 in the '67 set. Crease free. 80/20 centering left to right. Nice corners. Should grade well. Ex condition; (1) 1967 Mickey Lolich Topps Card (# 88 in the '67 set. Brilliant tone and color. Crease free. Good grading potential. Ex condition; (1) 1966 Norm Cash Topps Card (# 315 in the '66 set. Sparkling tone and color. Crease free. 80/20 centering right to left. The upper left corner appears to have a ding. Middle of the road grading potential. Ex condition)

ALL (4) Cards for \$ 19. 99 + 2.99 (Plastic Holders are heavy) S&H

1947 Brooklyn Dodgers vs NY Yankees "Brooklyn Eagle" World Series Scorecard

1947 Brooklyn Dodgers vs NY Yankees "Brooklyn Eagle" World Series Scorecard (This World Series scorecard was distributed by The Brooklyn Eagle Newspaper either as an insert in the Daily or as a complimentary souvenir outside Ebbets Field. *Jackie Robinson Rookie year*. (4) pages. Names penciled in on roster but not scored. Has (2) vertical creases that run from top to bottom on both pages. There is a spine tear that protrudes downward approx. ½ way. Another smaller tear at bottom of spine. Some additional pencil markings in spots. Good/Vg condition) \$24.99 + FREE S&H in the USA

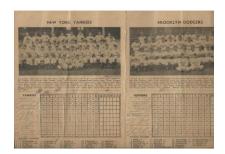
Leo Durocher, Charlie Fox and Walt Alston Autographed Index Card

Durocher, Fox and Alston Autographed Index Card (Cool autographed index card of (3) former Big League Managers. The Fox and Alston signatures are done in pen. The Durocher is black marker/sharpie. All (3) signatures are bold and legible. On the back it is noted that these were all National League managers. PLEASE NOTE: We guarantee all autographed material to be legitimate. If there are any problems after purchasing, you may return item(s) for a full refund including S&H charges (if any) within (10) days. Ex condition on all (3)

1959 TOPPS BASEBALL Partial Set/large Lot of (86) Cards

1959 Topps Baseball Partial Set/Large Lot of (86) Cards (Nice mixing of some semi-stars, team cards, rookie cards, etc. No major stars offered. Vast majority grade in the Vg/Ex range; several are better in the Ex domain; there are even a few that would be Ex+ and a small amount grade at Vg or less. Very few have creases. I think the Buyer will be very pleased with this partial/large lot offering. Great way to start a 1959 Topps set and not break the Bank)

\$85.00 + \$2.99 S&H in the USA







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1921 Chicago White Sox Official Program

1921 Chicago White Sox Official Program (Charles Comiskey side view photo on cover. Game vs the Philadelphia Athletics at Comiskey Park on the South Side of Chicago. Not scored. Program has lots of wear: Both covers are loose from main body of program. Some generalized wear and soiling inside. Despite wear, full and complete. A great White Sox collectible. Fair condition) \$24.99 + 1.49 S&H in USA

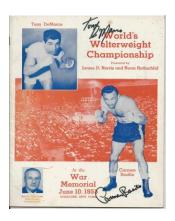
1971 – 1984 Large Lot of (100) Assorted Baseball Cards with Some Stars

1971 – 1984 Large lot of (100) Assorted Baseball Cards with Some Stars (Nice mixed bag of (100) cards from 1971 through 1984. There are some star cards: *Willie Stargell, Rod Carew, Gaylord Perry, Fred Lynn, Dave Parker*. Biggest majority from the 1970's. Most are Topps; a few are Fleer. Conditions vary: From Good/Vg to Vg to Ex. Vast majority would be Vg/Ex; some better at Ex and a smaller number would be Good/Vg to Vg. Overall, a nice lot. \$19.99 + \$2.99 S&H

Autographed Fistiana (Boxing) Collectibles of High Repute

1955 World's Welterweight Championship Program: Carmen Basilio vs Tony deMarco (It was Basilio vs DeMarco for the Welterweight Championship on June 10, 1955. Fight held at The War Memorial in Syracuse, NY. Autographed by both boxers on the front cover in black sharpie. (30) pages in content. Preliminary bouts listed on center page, as well. Not scored. Overall, very nice. Ex condition) \$45.00 + 3.99 S&H

1991 Boxing HOF Induction Day Philatelic Souvenir with (7) Big-Time Autographs on Cover (From the 1991 Boxing HOF Induction Day on June 9, 1991 in Canastota, NY comes this Philatelic Souvenir that has been autographed on the front cover by (7) Boxing Greats including: Beau Jack, Ruben Olivares, Gene Fullmer, Carmen Basilio, Willie Pep, Jose Torres and Emile Griffith. . Has the same day canceled stamp inside. (4) pages. Glossy finish to souvenir. Ex condition) \$ 20.00 + \$ 1.49 S&H; 1991 Boxing HOF Induction Program with (13) Autographs including Floyd Patterson (Dynamic 1991 Boxing HOF Induction Program from Canastota, NY on June 9, 1991. There are (13) autographs on the front cover including: Beau Jack, Bob Foster, Gene Fullmer, Ruben Olivares, Carlos Ortiz, Floyd Patterson, Emile Griffith, Willie Pep, Carmen Basilio, Billy Backus, Kid Gavilan and (2) others that I can't decipher (May be: Vito Benvenuti and Sean O'Grady). Ex condition \$ 25.00 + \$2.99 S&H; 1991 Boxing HOF Induction Program with (7) Autographs on Front Cover (June 9, 1991 Induction Day Program with (6) autographs on cover: Beau Jack, Gene Fullmer, Ruben Olivares, Carlos Ortiz, Ray Arcel, Jimmy McLaren and Floyd Patterson. Ex condition) \$ 25.00 + \$ 2.99 S&H; 1992 Boxing HOF Induction Program with (4) Autographs on Cover (June 7, 1992 Annual Induction Day Program with (4) autographs on front cover: Eder Jofre, Alexis Arguello, Harry Markson and Angelo Dundee. Ex condition) - \$ 15.00 + \$ 2.99 S&H; 1992 Boxing HOF Induction Program with (5) Autographs on Cover (June 7, 1992 Boxing HOF Induction Program with (5) autographs on cover: Eder Jofre, Alexis Arguello, Ken Norton, Harry Markson and Angelo Dundee. Ex condition) - \$ 20.00 + \$ 2.99 S&H; 1993 Boxing HOF Induction Program with (3) Autographs on Cover (June 13, 1993 Program from the Boxing HOF in Canastota, NY. There are (3) autographs on front cover: Joey Giardello, Marvelous Marvin Hagler and Don Dunphy. Ex condition) - \$ 15.00 + \$ 2.99 S&H; 1959 Boxing Illustrated Magazine with Carmen Basilio Autograph on Cover (Bright, bold signature of Basilio on front cover. Center vertical crease. Vg/Ex) \$ 12.00 + \$ 2.49 S&H; 1959 Ring Magazine with Gene Fullmer Autograph on Cover (Crystal clear signature of Fullmer on front. Ex condition) - \$ 12. 00 + \$ 2.49 S&H; 1965 Ring Magazine with Emile Griffith Autograph on Cover (Nice, clear autograph of Griffith on cover. Ex condition) - \$ 12.00 + \$ 2.49 S&H; 1963 Boxing Illustrated Magazine with Gene Fullmer Autograph on Front (Bright, bold signature of Fullmer on Cover. Ex condition) - \$ 12.00 + \$ 2.49 S&H; 1960 Ring Magazine with Gene Fullmer Autograph on Front (Has some minor vertical creases on cover. Fullmer autograph is clear. Ex condition) - \$ 12.00 + \$ 2.49 S&H; 1957 Ring Magazine with Gene Fullmer vs Sugar Ray Robinson Front Cover, Autographed by Fullmer on Front (Spine has a big tear that runs from top downward more than ½ way. Clear tape on spine bottom and some on back cover. Gene Fullmer autograph is sharp. Good/Vg condition) - \$ 10.00 + \$ 2.49 S&H. Autographed Baseballs: Luke Appling Autographed Baseball with Display Mount, Round Holder and generic Card (Old Aches and Pains autograph on the sweet spot of an OAL Baseball. Comes with a display mount, round holder and generic Baseball card. Ex condition); - \$ 19.99 + \$ 3.99 S&H; Jim Palmer Autographed Baseball with Display Mount, Round Cube Holder and generic Baseball card (HOF'er Jim Palmer autographed this OAL Baseball on sweet spot. Comes with a clear display mount, round holder and generic Baseball Card. Marvelous display item, Ex condition) - \$ 19. 99 + \$ 3.99 S&H; Whitey Ford Autographed Baseball with Display Mount, Round Holder and generic Card (The Chairman of the Board signed on the sweet spot of this OAL Baseball. Comes with clear display mount, round ball holder and a generic Card of Ford. Ex condition) \$ 19. 99 + \$ 3. 99 S&H; Roger Clemens Autographed Baseball with Clear Display Mount, Round Ball Holder and generic Baseball Card (The Rocket scribed his name on the sweet spot of this OAL Baseball. Comes with a clear display mount, round ball holder and a generic Baseball card. Ex condition) - \$ 19. 99 + 3.99 S&H; Jimmy Piersall Autographed Baseball (Same as all the preceding. Ex) - \$ 12.00 + 3.99 S&H; Pete Rose Autographed Baseball (Same offering as all the preceding. Ex) - \$ 19.99 + \$ 2.99 S&H; Lou Brock Autographed Baseball (Same as all the preceding. Ex)- \$ 19. 99 + \$ 3.99 S&H; Willie Stargell Autographed Baseball (Same as all of the preceding. Ex condition) - \$ 19. 99 + \$ 3. 99 S&H.







1956 World Series Program (Brooklyn Dodgers vs NY Yankees)

1956 World Series Program (Dodgers vs NY Yankees. This is the Yankee Stadium version. Spectacular color cover with the (2) opposing Managers: Walt Alston and Casey Stengel. Light wear in spots, but overall very acceptable. Vg/Ex condition) \$79.99 + \$4.99 S&H

1906 Steve Yerkes (1912 Boston Red Sox Team Player) Collegiate Baseball Letter

1906 Steve Yerkes University of Pennsylvania Collegiate Baseball Letter (One of a kind piece. Steve Yerkes was a member of the 1912 World Champion Boston Red Sox. We are pleased to offer his official Collegiate Baseball Letter from 1906 when he was an integral cog on the University of Pennsylvania. Has been signed at the bottom by the Secretary and President of the University, respectively. Done on a thick-stock cardboard-like paper. Exceedingly classy. Upper echelon collectible. Has some minor paper loss along the right border. There are a few tack holes in spots (Counted (3) of them). Overall, in fine shape for a (107) year old piece. Vg/Ex condition) \$150.00 + \$5.00 S&H in the USA

1964 TOPPS Giants Lot of (4) Cards with Warren Spahn (HOF)

1964 Topps Giants Lot of (4) Cards with Warren Spahn (HOF) (High end lot of (4) '64 Topps Giants Cards including Warren Spahn. All cards are at least Ex condition or better. Lot includes: *Warren Spahn; Ed Brinkman; Joe Torre and Dick Groat*).

Lot of (4) for \$ 7.99 + .99 cents S&H

1964 TOPPS Giants Lot of (4) Cards with Luis Aparicio

1964 Topps Giants Lot of (4) Cards with Luis Aparicio. (High end lot. All cards are at least Ex condition or better. Lot includes: *Luis Aparicio*, *Albie Pearson*, *Ron Hunt and Bob Bailey*)Lot of (4) for \$ 6.99 + .99cents







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