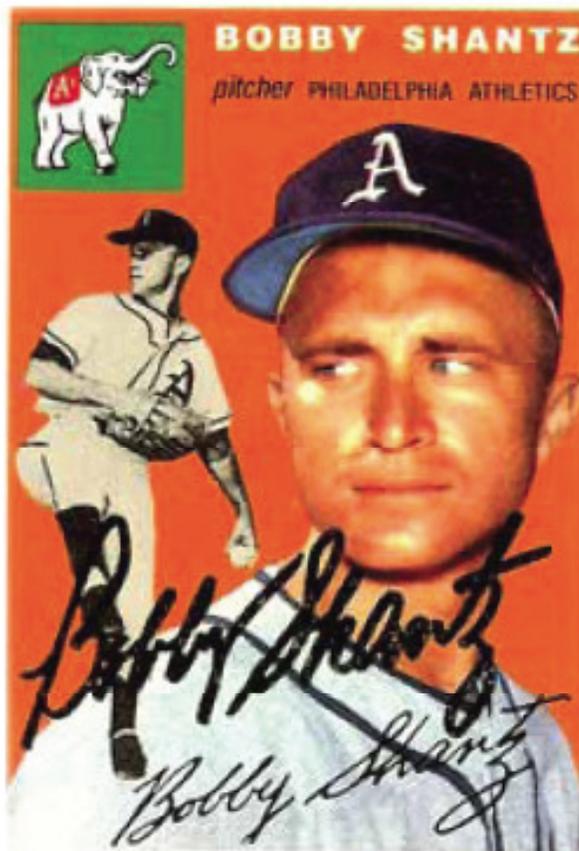


Baseball Great **Bobby Shantz** to appear at Rich Westcott's Shibe Park- Connie Mack Stadium book signing

Bobby Shantz, winner of the American League's Most Valuable Player award in 1952, and Rich Westcott, the most prolific author Delaware County has ever produced, will appear together at the Mickey Vernon Sports History Museum on Saturday, May 19th, from 1pm to 3 pm. The museum is located at the intersection of Route 202 and One Beaver Valley Rd. Chadds Ford, Pa. 19317. Their appearance will be in celebration of Rich's new book on Shibe Park/Connie Mack Stadium.

No ball park in Philadelphia was ever more revered than that one at Twenty-first Street and Lehigh Avenue and few players were as outstanding or memorable on that field as Bobby Shantz. He made his major league debut there in 1949 with the Philadelphia As and his last major league appearance with the 1964 Phillies. Besides winning the 1952 MVP award, he was also an eight-time Golden Glove award winner and three time all-star. In the 1952 all-star game, he struck out three respected hitters in a row: Whitey Lockman, Jackie Robinson and Stan Musial.

Mr Shantz, himself a World War II veteran, has said that all proceeds associated with his appearance and book sales will go to the US Military All Star baseball team. That team will be in Delaware County on June 6th for a game to be played against the Delco League All Stars at the Everett Swanson Field in Glen Mills.



For more information on the Shantz/Westcott appearance or the Military All-Stars game, contact Jim Vankoski at 610-909-4919 vankoski21@comcast.net.