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FAMILY MEMBERS TO REMINISCE ABOUT KENNEBUNK'S BIG LEAGUERS

KENNEBUNK – With the World Series almost decided, here's a way to extend the major league baseball season just a little longer: come take in the *Kennebunk's Big Leaguers* exhibition at The Brick Store Museum! As an added incentive to "round the bases" and learn about the two Coombs boys featured in the exhibition, Coombs family relatives will be on hand Saturday, November 3, from 11AM to 1PM to answer questions and give informal tours of the gallery. *Kennebunk's Big Leaguers* has been enormously popular since opening in July and has received media coverage throughout the country. The exhibition remains on view through December 29, 2007, with support from The Brick Store Museum's proud business partner, The Captain Lord Mansion.

Kennebunk's Big Leaguers explores the careers and coaching legacies of the two major league baseball players who called Kennebunk home: "Colby Jack" Coombs (1882-1957) and his nephew Bobby Coombs (1908-1991). Colby Jack's standout achievements as a pitcher included three wins for the Philadelphia Athletics in the 1910 World Series and numerous league records that stand to this day. Bobby Coombs' "probable world record" 26 strikeouts in a Kennebunk High School game in 1925 were a precursor to a prolific minor league career punctuated by two stints in the majors as a Philadelphia Athletic under Connie Mack and as a New York Giant. In his major league debut, he faced the Yankees' "Murderers' Row" lineup and gave up a home run to Babe Ruth.

Kennebunk's Big Leaguers brings these players to life through rare images, newspaper clippings, video reminiscences, vintage baseball memorabilia, and never-before-seen personal ephemera.

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The Brick Store Museum is located at 117 Main Street in Kennebunk's historic district and for more than seventy years has been dedicated to preserving and exhibiting the region's rich cultural and artistic heritage. Its galleries and research archives are open to the public year-round: Tuesdays through Fridays, 10 – 4:30 and Saturdays, 10 – 1. Admission to the Museum is by donation, suggested \$5 per person. Visit www.brickstoremuseum.org or call 207.985.4802 for further information.

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