The debate rages on — does Barry Bonds "juice?"

As I write this, Barry Bonds has hit 730 home runs during his storied career. After hitting a home run in three consecutive games this week, he is only 25 home runs short of Hank Aarons all-time record. If you are an avid baseball fan, then chances are you have a strong opinion as to whether an \*asterisk should be added next to Barry Bonds home run record. But, baseball seems to thrive on controversy and the ongoing Barry Bonds saga seems only to add fuel to the fire.

Jose Canseco fanned the fire with his book titled "\*Juiced: Wild Times, Rampant Steroids, Smash Hits, and How Baseball Got Big." We currently have Juiced in our library as part of the rotating collection from the Northwest Kansas Library System. (any book with a red dot)

Canseco was a major leaguer from 1986 through 2004. He was one of the stars of the major league during his tenure. In this book he exposes some of the biggest names in baseball for using steroids. In fact, his reputation for experimenting and using different substances became such that he was dubiously nicknamed "The Chemist." The premise of "\*Juiced" is that steroids are rampant through the major league. Worse yet, the future of baseball (according to Canseco) doesn't look a whole lot better. So if half of what Canseco says is true in this book, do we have reason to worry? If so, who is getting cheated?

Maybe America has lost sight of the slogan "for the love of the game." It would seem as if baseball is nostalgically referred to as



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skill and desire, not money or drugs made our baseball heroes. Hopefully someday Major League Baseit great in the first place. As we gear up for another major league postseason, here are a couple of great day. He said, "Because there is alspirit of the golden age of baseball.

Unfortunately we can't have all the books that we would like to in the library. The good news is that we a great period of baseball history. It can get almost any book that you want through an interlibrary loan. easy. Well, the game seems to be All you have to do is ask! A good example is the baseball classic "The all the time — too bad we can't have Glory of Their Times" edited by Lawrence S. Ritter.

baseball's golden age. His medium: a tape recorder. At the time of these some of the first-hand accounts of players. Some of his interviewees include Sam Crawford, "Chief" Meyers, "Rube" Marquard, Davy Jones, Hans Lobert, "Smokey" Joe as follows: Monday through Thurs-Wood, Ed Roush, and Fred day, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. first-hand glimpse into the early days of baseball — a simpler time.

on simpler times in the song Mrs. www.colbylibrary.com.

America's favorite pastime because Robinson. The lyrics read "where have you gone, Joe DiMaggio a were the essential ingredients that nation turns its lonely eyes to you, woo hoo hoo." It is hard to imagine thinking of Barry Bonds in that ball will circle back to what made same context. Maybe Joe summed up his attitude best when asked why he went out and played hard everybaseball books that capture the ways some kid who may be seeing me for the first time. I owe him my

Joe DiMaggio was an icon during was said that he made the game look getting more and more complicated Joe back. We have a couple of books on our shelves that capture Joe's Ritter set out in the 1960's to caplife: "Joe DiMaggio: The Hero's ture and frame the memories of Life" and "Where Have You Gone, some of the contemporaries of Joe Dimaggio? The Story of America's Last Hero.'

Make the game simple again. interviews, Ty Cobb had just passed Play some catch this week and show away and Ritter wanted to preserve akid what a great game baseball can be. Have a great day!

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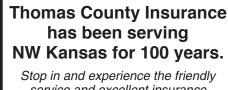


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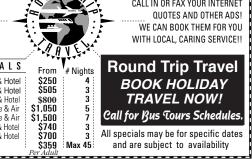
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