Name: Roger Kahn

Years: October 31, 1927-present

Residence: Stone Ridge, NY

Brief Biography: Roger Kahn was raised in Brooklyn, NY. At an early age he became a Brooklyn Dodgers fan and began to follow baseball religiously. In 1948 Kahn began to work for the New York Herald Tribune as a copy boy but was soon promoted to writing on baseball. Only four years later Kahn was given the opportunity to cover his beloved Dodgers and by the time he was 26 was known as the paper’s star reporter. In 1956 Kahn took the position of sports editor at Newsweek magazine and later moved on to become editor at large for The Saturday Evening Post. During this time he also wrote a monthly column for Esquire Magazine. In addition to his work in publications Kahn began writing books. As of now he has published 20 books, some of which focused on political issues rather than sports. Kahn’s most famous, The Boys of Summer is a best seller, with over three million copies sold and the title became a well known cultural phrase. Kahn currently resides in Stone Ridge, New York in Ulster County. He has taught writing at several universities including Yale, Princeton and Columbia, and was given the honorable position of Ottaway Professor of Journalism at SUNY New Paltz. Kahn is considered one of the premier baseball writers in the country, as he seems to be able to get into the game and the players like no one else can.

Achievements: E.P. Dutton prize for journalism, National Jewish Sports Hall of Fame