



## 2014 MLB ALL-STAR GAME ON FOX

**Tuesday, July 15 - 4:30 PM ET - Live from Target Field in Minneapolis**

FOX Sports and Major League Baseball (MLB) are proud to present baseball's biggest and brightest stars, all on one stage, Tuesday, July 15 during the 85<sup>th</sup> Major League Baseball All-Star Game, live from Target Field in Minneapolis, Minn. Coverage begins at 4:30 PM ET on FOX Sports 1.

The 2014 Mid-Summer Classic is the FOX's 16<sup>th</sup> MLB ALL-STAR GAME broadcast (1997, 1999, 2001-14), with all 16 called by play-by-play announcer Joe Buck. This season, MLB on FOX welcomes two new exciting analyst voices to the Midsummer Classic – two-time American League All-Star Harold Reynolds and Sports Illustrated senior writer Tom Verducci. Buck, Reynolds and Verducci are joined for in game coverage by MLB on FOX insider Ken Rosenthal and Erin Andrews reporting from the field. Pregame festivities (7:30 PM ET on FOX) are anchored by Kevin Burkhardt with analysis from Hall of Famer Frank Thomas and World Series Champion Gabe Kapler.

FOX Sports 1 has all the based covered for the 2014 MLB All-Star Game with special editions of MLB WHIPAROUND, AMERICA'S PREGAME and FOX SPORTS LIVE on Monday, July 14 and Tuesday July 15. A full schedule of FOX Sports 1 All-Star Game programming is included in this guide.

To schedule an interview with FOX broadcasters, executives or production personnel, or to learn more about FOX Sports' coverage of the 85<sup>th</sup> MLB All-Star Game, please contact Ileana Peña at 212/556-2588 ([ileana.pena@fox.com](mailto:ileana.pena@fox.com)), Eddie Motl at 212/556-2486 ([eddie.motl@fox.com](mailto:eddie.motl@fox.com)) or Valerie Krebs at 212/556-2583 ([valerie.krebs@fox.com](mailto:valerie.krebs@fox.com)).

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## PRODUCTION FACTS

Providing a memorable Mid-Summer Classic broadcast takes months of planning and collaboration among FOX Sports personnel, the Minnesota Twins and Major League Baseball. Capturing the sights and sounds of MLB's most anticipated summer event with the biggest and brightest stars requires the most professional crew and the newest, most up-to-date production equipment.

FOX Sports' 85th All-Star Game effort is consistent with its 20-year tradition of offering its audiences the latest technical, graphic and audio innovations, regularly setting industry standards. This year FOX Sports presents the most technologically advanced MLB All-Star Game in television history.

Below is a summary of several production enhancements planned for use during the 85<sup>th</sup> MLB All-Star Game:

- **SideTrax**  
New to MLB on FOX coverage and this year's All-Star arsenal is SideTrax from Hawkeye Technology. True to its moniker, SideTrax graphically presents the pitched baseball as it travels through the strike zone from a side perspective and also offers a view of the ball as it sails through a virtual 3D strike zone that appears suspended over home plate.
- **Diamond Cam**  
First deployed in 2005 in standard definition, Diamond Cam returns to the All-Star Game this year, but for the first time in crystal-clear HD. The camera, using a specially-crafted prism not much larger than a few grains of infield soil, is positioned in-ground in front of home plate and creates striking images via wireless, radio frequency transmission.
- **N-Cam**  
An optical tracking technology that is also new to the All-Star Game, N-Cam creates the appearance of 3D graphics in the real environment and has been used in FOX Sports' studio production since 2013, Super Bowl XLVIII and during SpeedWeeks in the 2014 Daytona 500.

- **FOX Super Zoom 4K Cameras**  
Introduced in 2012, 4K “Super Zoom” cameras produce pictures with five times the resolution of normal HD cameras and capture action at 120 frames-per-second. The resulting detail is remarkable with the ability to zoom into an area of interest with incredible detail.
- **Phantom Cameras**  
Ranging from 2,000-3,000 frames per second, the “FOX Phantom Cam” famously captured San Francisco Giants batter Hunter Pence’s “three-hit” swing in Game 7 of the 2012 National League Championship Series. The slowed-down video showed Pence’s cracked bat strike the ball three times en route to a three-run double. FOX’s two Phantom Cams are located along the first and third base camera wells.
- **X-MO Cameras**  
Three “X-MO” cameras are located at centerfield and halfway down the baselines of first and third. These specialty cameras shoot at up to 400 frames-per-second.
- **Super-Mo Camera**  
FOX’s “Super Mo” camera is positioned in centerfield and shoots up to 540 frames-per-second.
- **FOX Home Run Tracker**  
Previously used during MLB on FOX postseason coverage in 2012 and 2013, the FOX Home Run Tracker will be used in replays to graphically represent the trajectory of a batted ball’s travel and measure its distance.

**CAMERAS:** Twenty-five high-definition cameras, including traditional long-lens, handheld, wireless, super slow motion, robotic and one blimp-cam.

**MICROPHONES:** Approximately 80 field and crowd-effects microphones are positioned around the ballpark. Many of these are pressure-zone microphones, or PZMs. They are used to pick up the sounds of baseballs hitting the outfield walls, the crack of the bat and other natural sounds of the game. Additional microphones are put near the stands, dugouts and even in the bases, while 15-20 microphones are available for managers, coaches, umpires and players to wear during the broadcast.

**MOBILE PRODUCTION UNITS:** FOX Sports employs four mobile units that house the latest HD equipment, including a Kayenne company production center, replay servers, digital effects unit and two Chyron HD Duet graphics generators. These mobile units are FOX’s primary rolling production facilities and have been used to broadcast previous MLB All-Star Games as well as the Daytona 500 and the Super Bowl.

**AUDIO:** Dolby 5.1 Surround Sound

**PERSONNEL:** A staff of approximately 100 production, technical and support personnel are working for FOX Sports, FOX Sports 1 and FOXSports.com



**AMERICA'S  
PREGAME**



## **MLB ALL-STAR GAME ON FOX SPORTS 1**

### **MLB WHIP AROUND: All-Star Special Monday, July 14 (1:00 - 4:30 PM ET)**

- Host Chris Myers with analysts Mark Gubicza and Mark Sweeney are live from the FOX Network Center in Los Angeles and present extensive coverage on the eve of the All-Star Game, including live coverage of press conferences, a chat with MLB insider Ken Rosenthal and “Plays of the Year” and “FOX Funnies” from the season’s first half.

### **AMERICA’S PREGAME: All-Star Edition Monday, July 14 (4:30 – 7:00 PM ET) Tuesday, July 15 (4:30 – 7:30 PM ET)**

- Mike Hill, Molly McGrath, Gabe Kapler, Frank Thomas, Jon Paul Morosi and Ken Rosenthal live from Minneapolis
- Features: Tribute to Tony Gwynn, commemorating Derek Jeter’s last All-Star Game

### **FOX SPORTS LIVE**

**Monday, July 14 (11:30 – 1:00 AM ET)** Immediately following Home Run Derby Coverage  
**Tuesday, July 15 (11:30 – 1:00 AM ET)** Immediately following All-Star Game Coverage

- Gabe Kapler, Frank Thomas, Jon Paul Morosi and Ken Rosenthal live from Minneapolis



## **MLB ALL-STAR WEEK SCHEDULE ON FOX SPORTS 1**

**MLB ALL-STAR GAME GLORY:** In the run up to the game, FOX Sports 1 also re-airs two classic All-Star games from yesteryear: the 1999 game in Boston, noted for its salute to Hall of Famer Ted Williams and Pedro Martinez's record-setting MVP performance; and the 2001 game played in Seattle which saw Hall of Famer Cal Ripken Jr. homer and take home MVP honors in his All-Star farewell. The two specials, titled ALL-STAR GLORY, feature commentary from FOX Sports anchor Ryan Field and former MLB outfielder Luis Gonzalez, a five-time All-Star and World Champion who played in both memorable games.

**MLB ALL-STAR GAME SNEAK PEEK & MLB ALL-STAR MAGIC:** FOX Sports 1 sandwiches MLB on FOX game action with the premiere of two one-hour All-Star game-related specials: MLB ALL-STAR GAME MAGIC, highlighting the top All-Star Game moments (2:30-3:30 PM ET) and MLB ALL-STAR GAME SNEAK PEEK, previewing this year's Mid-Summer Classic (7:00-8:00 PM ET), both produced by MLB Productions.

**Thursday, July 10**

7:00 – 10:00 PM ET

MLB ALL-STAR GLORY: SEATTLE 2001

**Saturday, July 12**

2:30 – 3:30 PM ET

MLB ALL-STAR MAGIC

7:00 – 8:00 PM ET

MLB ALL-STAR GAME SNEAK PEEK

**Sunday, July 13**

5:00 – 8:00 PM ET

MLB ALL STAR GLORY: BOSTON 1999

**Monday, July 14**

1:00 – 4:30 PM ET

MLB WHIPAROUND ALL-STAR SPECIAL

4:30 – 7:00 PM ET

AMERICA'S PREGAME ALL-STAR EDITION

11:30 – 1:00 AM ET

FOX SPORTS LIVE

**Tuesday, July 15**

10:00 – 11:00 AM ET

MLB ALL-STAR GAME SNEAK PEEK

11:00 – 11:30 AM ET

BIG STICKS WITH KEN GRIFFEY JR.

11:30 AM – 2:30 PM ET

MLB ALL-STAR GLORY: BOSTON 1999

2:30 – 3:30 PM ET

MLB ALL-STAR MAGIC

3:30 – 4:30 PM ET

MLB ALL-STAR GAME SNEAK PEEK

4:30 – 7:30 PM ET

AMERICA'S PREGAME ALL-STAR EDITION

11:30 PM – 1:00 AM ET

FOX SPORTS LIVE

**Thursday, July 17**

9:30 – 10:00 PM ET

BACKSTAGE @ MLB ALL-STAR WEEK

10:00 – 11:00 PM ET

ROAD TO COOPERSTOWN: CLASS OF 2014



## TWIN CITIES ALL-STAR GAME TALE OF THE TAPE

	1965	1985	2014
Gallon of Gas/Average Cost	\$0.31	\$1.20	\$3.65
New Home/National Median Cost	\$21,500	\$100,800	\$201,700
Dozen Eggs/Average Cost	\$0.53	\$0.80	\$1.98
Gallon of Milk/Average Cost	\$0.95	\$2.26	\$3.50
Top Song at All-Star Break	(I Can't Get No) Satisfaction – Rolling Stones	“Careless Whisper” – Wham!	“Fancy” – Iggy Azalea
Top TV Show	“Bonanza” – NBC (1965-66 Season)	“The Cosby Show” – NBC	“The Good Wife” - CBS
Top Grossing Film	“The Sound of Music” (\$163,214,286)	“Back to the Future”	“The Amazing Spider-Man 2”
Average Player Salary	\$14,341	\$476,142	\$3.39 million
Home Run Leader at Break	AL: Anthony Cog (BOS) NL: Willie Mays (SF)	AL: Darrell Evans (DET) NL: Dale Murphy (ATL)	AL: Nelson Cruz (BAL)* NL: Giancarlo Stanton (MIA)*
RBI Leader at Break	AL: Rocco Colavito (CLE) NL: Deron Johnson (CIN)	AL: Don Mattingly (NYY) NL: Dave Parker (CIN)	AL: Nelson Cruz (BAL)* NL: Giancarlo Stanton (MIA)*
Batting Leaders at Break	AL: Pedro Oliva (MIN) NL: Roberto Clemente (PIT)	AL: Wade Boggs (BOS) NL: Willie McGee (STL)	AL: Victor Martinez (DET)* NL: Troy Tulowitzki (COL)*
Movie Ticket Price	\$1.01	\$3.53	\$7.96
Postage Stamp	\$0.05	\$0.20	\$0.49
All-Star Game Ticket Price	\$6.00 (Grandstand)	\$18-\$30	\$325-\$11,002
Highest-Paid Player	Willie Mays (\$125,000)	Mike Schmidt (\$2.1 million)	Ryan Howard (PHI) - \$25.7 million
Manager	AL: Al Lopez (CHW) NL: Gene Mauch (PHI)	AL: Sparky Anderson (DET) NL: Dick Williams (SD)	AL: John Farrell (BOS) NL: Mike Matheny (STL)
Number of MLB Teams	20	26	30
Apple Introduces...	Did Not Exist	Macintosh XL	iPhone: iOS 8 Software



# FOXSPORTS.COM



## FOXSPORTS.COM COVERS ALL THE BASES FOR THE ALL-STAR GAME

FOXSports.com gives fans an all-access pass to the 85th Major League Baseball All-Star Game in Minneapolis, featuring the sights and sounds before, during, and after the big game. Baseball writers Ken Rosenthal and Jon Paul Morosi lead the coverage with the latest insider information and in-depth features. They'll recap winners and losers from the first half of the season, hand out midseason awards, and look ahead on the road to the World Series.

Planned features include:

- 25th anniversary of Bo Jackson's MVP performance
- Retrospective on the first Home Run Derby, which was held in Minneapolis
- Biggest All-Star snubs
- All-Star break plans for non-All-Stars

Additional All-Star Game coverage includes:

- Player Workouts
- Media Day Interviews
- All-Star FanFest
- All-Star Futures Game
- All-Star Legends & Celebrity Softball Game

### **About FOXSports.com**

FOXSports.com, the online extension of FOX Sports television coverage, is a leading sports website that delivers breaking news, exclusive commentary, sports video, real-time stats, and fantasy games.



## **FOX SPORTS GO TO LIVE STREAM MLB ALL-STAR GAME IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH**

FOX Sports GO, the app that provides live streaming video of FOX Sports content at home or on-the-go, offers a live stream of the MLB All-Star Game for the first time on Tuesday, July 15.

Customers of participating video providers may access the live stream through the FOX Sports GO app. FOX Sports GO is currently available for iOS devices, including iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad, and Android devices. The app can be downloaded for free from the iTunes App Store and Google Play. FOX Sports GO is also available on desktops through FOXSportsGO.com and on some Windows devices.

FOX Sports GO features two separate live streams of the All-Star Game: the FOX Sports telecast in English and the FOX Deportes telecast in Spanish.

FOX Sports GO offers nearly 100 Major League Baseball telecasts this season, featuring all games televised on the FOX Broadcast Network and FOX Sports 1. In addition to the All-Star Game, this includes, for the first time ever, live streaming of the National League Division Series, the National League Championship Series, and the World Series.

### **About FOX Sports GO**

FOX Sports GO provides live streaming of a wide variety of FOX Sports content so fans can take the games with them wherever they go. Subscribers of participating video providers can enjoy access to live games and events in FOX Sports GO year-round.

FOX Sports GO is currently available for iOS devices <<https://itunes.apple.com/app/id711074743>>, Android devices <<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.foxsports.videogo&hl=en>>, and on desktops through FOXSportsGO.com.

Year round, FOX Sports GO showcases the biggest events in sports, including: the best games from the National Football League, including the NFC Championship Game; NASCAR's premier race—the Daytona 500; Major League Baseball's crown jewel events—the All-Star Game, the Division Series, the League Championship Series, and the World Series; international soccer highlighted by the UEFA Champions League and the women's World Cup; marquee college football and basketball matchups from the Big 12, Pac-12, and Big East; the most anticipated MMA showdowns from the UFC; and starting in 2015, the premier major championship in golf, the U.S. Open.





## **FOX DEPORTES HEADS TO MINNEAPOLIS FOR MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL'S ALL-STAR GAME**

FOX Deportes is set to broadcast all the action from Target Field as the Midsummer Classic returns to the Twin Cities for the first time in nearly 30 years.

Coverage of the 85<sup>th</sup> All-Star game on FOX Deportes begins Tuesday, July 15 at 7:00 PM ET with a special edition of CENTRAL +, followed by the pregame show featuring special interviews and reports from the Los Angeles studio with Francisco X. Rivera.

Play-by-play commentator Pablo Alsina then joins former Houston Astros first baseman and long-time broadcaster Jose Tolentino to call the action live from Target Field.



## FOX SPORTS RADIO GOES ALL-IN WITH ALL-STAR GAME COVERAGE

### Steve Gorman SPORTS! Broadcasts Live from All-Star FanFest

FOX Sports Radio offers comprehensive coverage of the 2014 Major League Baseball All-Star Game. Fans can tune in to hear interviews with players, managers and Hall of Famers, as well as baseball insiders and experts leading into and surrounding the game. All-Star Game talk is highlighted across all shows from Saturday, July 12 through Tuesday, July 15, including *FOX Sports Daybreak* with Andy Furman and Mike North, *Jay Mohr Sports*, *J.T. The Brick*, *The Jason Smith Show* and more.

*Steve Gorman SPORTS!*, hosted by the Black Crowe's drummer and long-time Indianapolis Colts Director of Broadcast and Player Relations Jeffrey Gorman, broadcasts live from All-Star FanFest at the Minneapolis Convention Center Tuesday, July 15 from 3:00 – 6:00 PM ET, and features highlights from the week's events and previews of the evening's All-Star Game at Target Field in Minneapolis, Minn.

The programs can be heard on:

The FOX Sports App

[www.FOXSportsRadio.com](http://www.FOXSportsRadio.com)

<http://www.iheart.com/live/Fox-Sports-Radio-4732/?autoplay=true>

#### **About FOX Sports Radio**

The FOX Sports Radio Network, based in Los Angeles, Calif., is a division of Premiere Networks in partnership with FOX Sports. All entities have combined their considerable resources to develop a turnkey, personality driven, caller intensive sports programming network for radio stations nationwide. With studios also in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Tampa, Phoenix, Nashville, Cincinnati and Las Vegas, the FOX Sports Radio Network can be heard on more than 300 stations, as well as FOXSports.com on MSN and iHeartRadio. Additional information is available at [www.FOXSportsRadio.com](http://www.FOXSportsRadio.com).



## **FOX SPORTS SUPPORTS PROUDLY TEAMS UP WITH BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF AMERICA AND STAND UP TO CANCER**

FOX Sports Supports, FOX Sports' charitable initiative, proudly partners with the Boys & Girls Clubs of America and Stand Up To Cancer through 2015. During this time, FOX Sports focuses its resources toward these two organizations in campaigns that span all FOX Sports assets and premier events, including the 2014 Major League Baseball All-Star Game.

This baseball season, FOX Sports lends its support to Stand Up To Cancer with on-air mentions and a PSA featuring MLB on FOX broadcasters running on FOX, FOX Sports 1 and the FOX Sports Regional Networks. FOX Sports MLB announcers and analysts wear Stand Up To Cancer lapel pins all season long to show their support.

In December, FOX Sports employees voted to select charities in the categories of Health & Wellness and Education, Human Services & Military. Among the lists of several very deserving organizations, Stand Up To Cancer garnered the most support in Health & Wellness, and the Boys & Girls Clubs was selected in Education, Human Services & Military. Stand Up To Cancer (SU2C), a program of the Entertainment Industry Foundation (EIF), is a groundbreaking initiative created to accelerate innovative cancer research that gets new therapies to patients quickly in order to save lives now. SU2C brings together the best and brightest researchers and encourages collaboration instead of competition among the entire cancer community. The Boys & Girls Clubs of America are dedicated to enabling all young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens through programs that teach leadership, education, health, sports and much more.

FOX Sports Supports also supports several other initiatives throughout the year, including AYSO, celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the 2014 Special Olympics USA Games this past June, Movember's upcoming month-long men's health campaign and a variety of military initiatives that began at Super Bowl XLVIII with the U.S. Army's Gold Star Pins awareness campaign.

FOX Sports Supports has become the industry leader in raising awareness for worthwhile causes. In the last six years, it has supported 24 charities, from helping children with cancer to assisting military personnel and their families. Through PSAs and on-air mentions, FOX Sports has successfully raised awareness for worthy charities helping to generate millions of dollars in donations. In addition, the PSAs have received tens of millions of dollars' worth of air time across all 21st Century Fox channels, helping to support causes such as St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, City of Hope, STOMP Out Bullying, Feeding America and Johns Hopkins Medicine. For more information, visit [FOXSportsSupports.com](http://FOXSportsSupports.com).



## **JOE BUCK MLB ALL-STAR GAME ON FOX PLAY-BY-PLAY ANNOUNCER**

Since breaking on to the national scene as a promising 25-year-old, Joe Buck has become one of sports' premier broadcasters. Buck handles lead play-by-play duties for FOX Sports' Emmy Award-winning coverage of MLB and the NFL. On baseball, he teams with analysts Harold Reynolds and Tom Verducci, while his football partner is three-time Super Bowl champion and Pro Football Hall of Famer Troy Aikman. Beginning in 2015, Buck partners with Greg Norman for FOX Sports coverage of the USGA Championships.

A seven-time Emmy Award winner, Buck has held lead MLB on FOX play-by-play duties since 1996. At age 27, he became the youngest play-by-play announcer to call the World Series since the legendary Vin Scully (age 25) sat behind the mic during the 1953 Fall Classic. Buck has called 16 World Series, 18 League Championship Series and four Super Bowls. As the lead voice for the NFL on FOX since 2002, Buck worked with analysts Aikman and Cris Collinsworth for three seasons (2002–2004), and since 2005 has been partnered exclusively with Aikman.

Buck works his 16<sup>th</sup> All-Star Game this month in the Twin Cities, his first with MLB on FOX new lead analysts Harold Reynold and Tom Verducci. Buck worked with three-time Emmy Award winner and Ford C. Frick Award recipient Tim McCarver from his first year with MLB on FOX in 1996 through 2013, when McCarver stepped down as MLB on FOX's lead analyst. The pair set records for All-Star Game broadcasts (15) and World Series broadcasts (15). Buck's 16 All-Star Game broadcasts place him first on the all-time list of play-by-play announcers, surpassing Curt Gowdy's 14.

In addition to his lead play-by-play role, Buck served as host of FOX NFL SUNDAY, America's most-watched NFL pregame show, and THE OT, the nation's most-watched NFL postgame show, in 2006. That season, FOX NFL SUNDAY traveled to the site of each week's biggest game, allowing Buck to both host the pregame show and call each game. It marked the first time in sports television history that a broadcaster hosted an NFL pregame show while simultaneously handling play-by-play duties.

Joe is the son of late broadcasting legend Jack Buck, whose career spanned parts of six decades. Jack and Joe are the only father and son to each call the Super Bowl on network television. The young Buck's last Super Bowl assignment in February 2014, the Seattle Seahawks' decisive win over the Denver Broncos, is the most-watched television program in U.S. history.

## **JOE BUCK – PAGE 2**

Buck joined FOX Sports in 1994, and along with analyst Tim Green, formed one of the NFL on FOX's six original NFL broadcast teams. Just 25 years old in 1994, Buck was the youngest announcer to call a full slate of NFL games on network television. The two worked together for FOX's first four NFL seasons.

Buck's impressive MLB on FOX resume already includes the 1996, 1998 and 2000-2013 World Series; the 1997, 1999, 2001, 2003-05, 2007, 2009, 2011 and 2013 American League Championship Series; the 1996, 1998, 2000, 2002, 2006, 2008, 2010 and 2012 National League Championship Series; the 1997, 1999, 2001-13 All-Star Games; and the Cubs-Cardinals game on Sept. 8, 1998, when Mark McGwire hit his historic 62nd home run and set what was then a new single season home run record. He also calls this year's NLCS and World Series alongside Reynolds and Verducci.

Buck was a local radio and television announcer for the St. Louis Cardinals from 1991 to 2007. His broadcasting career began in 1989, while he was an undergraduate at Indiana University. That year he called play-by-play for the Louisville Redbirds of the American Association, a minor league affiliate of the Cardinals, and was a reporter for ESPN's coverage of the Triple-A All-Star Game. Buck also hosted a talk show for HBO Sports, "Joe Buck Live" in 2009 and is a partner in J. Buck's, two popular sports bars in the St. Louis area, with his sister Julie.

Active in many national and local charities, he hosts The Joe Buck Classic golf tournament which benefits St. Louis Children's Hospital and helps fund its imaging center. Since it began in 2000, the annual event has raised more than \$5 million. He also works closely with the Parkinson's Foundation, Mathews-Dickey Boys' & Girls' Club and City of Hope.



## **HAROLD REYNOLDS MLB ALL-STAR GAME ON FOX ANALYST**

Harold Reynolds, a former MLB second baseman, joined FOX Sports in 2014 as an analyst on MLB on FOX's new lead game broadcast team, which debuted in April 2014. He offers his expert analysis alongside Emmy Award-winning play-by-play announcer Joe Buck and analyst Tom Verducci to call national FOX Saturday BASEBALL GAME OF THE WEEK matchups on the FOX Broadcast Network and FOX Sports 1. Reynolds, Buck and Verducci call MLB on FOX regular-season games, the All-Star Game and postseason, including the World Series.

Reynolds played professional baseball from 1983 to 1994, primarily for the Seattle Mariners. A two-time All-Star and three-time Gold Glove Award-winner during his 12-year career, Reynolds played with the Seattle Mariners from 1983-1992, Baltimore Orioles in 1993 and the then-California Angels in 1994. He led the American League in stolen bases with 60 in 1987, in triples with 11 in 1988 and at-bats with 642 in 1990. He is the only player other than the great Ricky Henderson to lead the AL in stolen bases during any season in the 1980s. In 1991, Reynolds received the Roberto Clemente Award given annually to an MLB player selected for his character and charitable contributions to his community.

Reynolds continues his role with MLB Network, where he serves as a studio analyst. He won the 2013 Sports Emmy Award for Outstanding Sports Personality, Studio Analyst, after receiving four consecutive nominations in the category, sharing the honor with his FOX Sports booth partner Tom Verducci. Prior to joining MLB Network at its 2009 launch, Reynolds served as a pregame and postgame analyst for TBS' Sunday Afternoon MLB telecasts and the network's coverage of the 2008 postseason. During this time, Reynolds also appeared on New York Mets' pregame and postgame coverage on SportsNet New York and served as a commentator for MLB.com. From 1996 to 2006, he served as lead studio analyst for ESPN's *Baseball Tonight* program, working on the network's coverage of *Sunday Night Baseball*, the All-Star Game and postseason, including the World Series. The Eugene, Ore., native also was an analyst for ESPN's College World Series and Little League World Series.

Born Nov. 26, 1960, Reynolds was raised in Corvallis, Ore., where he graduated from Corvallis High School in 1979 and starred in football, basketball and baseball. In 1998, he was inducted into the Oregon Sports Hall of Fame.



## **TOM VERDUCCI MLB ALL-STAR GAME ON FOX ANALYST**

Tom Verducci, who joined FOX Sports in 2012, is an analyst for MLB on FOX's new, lead game broadcast team that debuted in April 2014. He offers his expert analysis alongside Emmy Award-winning play-by-play announcer Joe Buck and analyst Harold Reynolds teaming up to call national FOX Saturday BASEBALL GAME OF THE WEEK matchups on the FOX Broadcast Network and FOX Sports 1. Verducci, Buck and Reynolds call regular-season MLB on FOX, the All-Star Game and postseason, including the World Series.

One of only a few national MLB analysts to not have played professionally, the Emmy-Award winner is in his 33<sup>rd</sup> year covering the sport in a variety of roles ranging from beat writer to columnist, feature writer, author, sideline reporter, studio analyst and game analyst. The 2014 MLB season is Verducci's second in the FOX broadcast booth. He was tabbed for the lead game broadcast team after the legendary Tim McCarver stepped aside at the conclusion of the 2013 season.

One of the top journalists to ever cover the game, Verducci earned a Sports Emmy Award in the Outstanding Sports Personality/Sports Reporter category in 2012 as a field reporter for TBS and MLB Network's regular and postseason coverage. In 2013, he was awarded a second Sports Emmy Award for Outstanding Sports Personality, Studio Analyst, sharing the honor with his MLB on FOX booth partner Harold Reynolds and becoming the first non-former college or pro athlete to claim the honor and the first person to earn the award after previously winning Outstanding Sports Reporter.

In addition to his role with MLB Network, Verducci worked 20 MLB on FOX national broadcasts before serving as a studio analyst for TBS' coverage of the Division Series and American League Championship Series. He became a field reporter for TBS in October 2008 and joined the MLB Network booth in 2009. He also currently serves as a senior baseball writer at *Sports Illustrated*, contributing inside information and analysis for the magazine and SI.com. Before joining *Sports Illustrated*, Verducci spent 10 years as a baseball writer for *Newsday*, serving as its national baseball columnist from 1990 to 1993. He also was a sports reporter for *Florida Today*.

With Joe Torre, Verducci co-authored "The Yankee Years," a book published in 2009 that chronicled the New York Yankees' dugout and organization. His multiple other books include "Chasing the Dream: My Lifelong Journey to the World Series," chronicling Torre's path from growing up in Brooklyn to leading the Yankees, and "Inside Baseball: The Best of Tom Verducci," which features 21 of his most memorable *Sports Illustrated* essays.

## **TOM VERDUCCI – PAGE 2**

Born Dec. 2, 1966 in East Orange, N.J., and raised in Glen Ridge, N.J., Verducci graduated from Penn State University in 1982 with a degree in journalism, and was honored as the Most Outstanding Journalism Graduate in his class. In high school, Verducci caught the winning touchdown pass in his team's state championship game.





## **KEN ROSENTHAL MLB ALL-STAR GAME ON FOX REPORTER**

A sportswriter for more than 25 years, Ken Rosenthal is FOX Sports senior baseball correspondent and a weekly contributor to the FOX BASEBALL GAME OF THE WEEK and FOX Sports 1. On-air since 2005, he delivers weekly pregame reports and serves as a roving reporter during FOX Sports' featured match-up each week. Rosenthal has worked the last nine All-Star Games and World Series, and is a Baseball Writers Association of America member.

He spent the majority of his professional career as a baseball writer and columnist at *The Baltimore Sun* from 1987 to 2000. Simultaneously, he was a contributor to *Sports Illustrated* from 1990 to 2000, serving as one of 12 national writers providing weekly notes during baseball season. Rosenthal was named Maryland Sportswriter of the Year five times while at *The Baltimore Sun*. He also spent five years as senior baseball writer at *The Sporting News*, writing a weekly column for the magazine, as well as breaking news and writing features for its web site.

When he's not tweeting (@Ken\_Rosenthal) the latest inside information to MLB diehards, Rosenthal is a frequent contributor to FOX Sports Radio and had a 14-year run as a radio personality in Baltimore on WJFK-AM and WBAL-AM. In 2009, Rosenthal joined MLB Network's on-air roster as a baseball insider.

Since the 2011 season, Rosenthal has been active with BowTie Cause, a philanthropic initiative created by former NFL linebacker Dhani Jones in honor of Jones' best friend who was diagnosed with lymphoma in 1999. Jones' company produces bow ties that represent a number of nationally known charities, from Stand Up To Cancer to Ronald McDonald House to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Rosenthal wears a charity's bow tie during each of his MLB on FOX games and talks about the cause and how fans can offer support during the broadcast and on FOXSports.com.

Rosenthal also has authored or contributed to three books. "Chicken Soup for the Baseball Fan's Soul" was released in 2001, while "Best of the Best – 35 Major League Superstars," which was produced in partnership with and licensed by MLB Properties, Inc., was published in 1998. His third book, "Dean Smith: A Tribute", was published in 2001. Another claim to fame -- his laptop once got smashed by a Cal Ripken foul ball.



## **ERIN ANDREWS MLB ALL-STAR GAME ON FOX REPORTER**

Erin Andrews, one of sports television's brightest stars, rejoined the FOX Sports family in July of 2012 and works her third All-Star Game with the network. A versatile broadcaster whose talent bridges sports and entertainment, Andrews makes significant contributions to FOX Sports' MLB and NFL coverage and contributes to other marquee sports properties.

One of the most-followed sports television personalities on Twitter (@ErinAndrews) with nearly 2.2 million followers, Andrews returned to FOX Sports in 2012 after spending eight years at ESPN. While there, she hosted the first hour of ESPN's *College GameDay* on ESPNU and was a features reporter for the full three-hour program, a role she held since 2010. Andrews also served as a sideline reporter for college football and basketball games and added MLB sideline reporting to her slate, as well as the Monday Night Baseball telecast.

Prior to ESPN, Andrews worked for Turner Sports from 2002-04 as a studio host and reporter. She covered college football as a reporter and was an Atlanta Braves studio host for TBS, and worked in the Atlanta Thrashers studio and was a reporter for the Atlanta Hawks for Turner Sports South. From 2001 to 2002, she worked for the Sunshine Network as a Tampa Bay Lightning reporter. She got her start as a sports reporter at FOX Sports Florida in 2000.

In 2014, Andrews was named co-host of *Dancing with the Stars* for its 18<sup>th</sup> season. She appeared as a contestant on the 10th season of *Dancing with the Stars* where she was partnered with Maksim Chmerkovskiy. The duo made it to the finale and placed third. She also has paired with fellow FOX Sports personality Michael Strahan as a guest co-host on the popular daytime talk show *Live with Kelly and Michael*. Andrews also has been a guest judge on FOX's SO YOU THINK YOU CAN DANCE.

A native of Lewiston, Maine, Andrews graduated from the University of Florida in 2000 with a Bachelor's degree in telecommunications. She was a member of the Gators' basketball dance team from 1997-2000.



## **KEVIN BURKHARDT MLB ALL-STAR GAME ON FOX PREGAME HOST**

Kevin Burkhardt, who joined FOX Sports in June 2013 as play-by-play announcer alongside analyst John Lynch and reporter Erin Andrews for NFL on FOX, also was named in March 2014 to the newly-created role of MLB on FOX studio host.

Burkhardt, one of the most talented young broadcasters in the country, hosts the MLB on FOX pregame show from the FOX Network Studios in Los Angeles during the regular and postseason alongside a rotation of analysts including Hall of Famer Frank Thomas, former Dodger great Eric Karros, World Series Champion Gabe Kapler and former Reds pitcher C.J. Nitkowski. The pregame show also precedes most Saturday telecasts on FOX Sports 1. He continues his play-by-play role for NFL on FOX.

Upon joining FOX Sports for its NFL coverage in 2013, Burkhardt was an immediate success, earning a playoff assignment in his first season calling national NFL games. Prior to FOX, Burkhardt spent several seasons with SNY covering the New York Mets in a myriad of roles from on-field reporting to play-by-play and in-studio hosting duties. He also served as play-by-play announcer for Compass Media's national radio broadcasts of the Dallas Cowboys.

During the Major League Baseball season, Burkhardt is the notable field reporter for SNY New York's highly regarded Mets television broadcast team. Since joining in 2007, his role has expanded to include play-by-play duties for select Spring Training and regular season games, pre- and post-game shows, and hosting off-season program, *Mets Hot Stove*. He also has hosted *SNY Spotlight*, and reported for *SportsNite*.

On-air innovation has become a calling card for Burkhardt and his SNY television crew. Case in point: he was first to interview pitchers in-game following an appearance, and he conducted a famous live report from a kayak in San Francisco's McCovey Cove. A recent feat had Burkhardt sitting behind home plate with former Mets standout hurler Dwight Gooden, creating a bit of historic symmetry by live-analyzing the mound offerings of then-rookie sensation Matt Harvey.

Prior to FOX and SNY, Burkhardt had been a mainstay on popular New York sports radio station WFAN starting in 2003. Best known for his work as the station's New York Jets beat reporter, Burkhardt hosted weekend sports talk and provided daily 20/20 updates. He also made his presence known on television, appearing on SportsNet New York as an analyst and guest on *Jets Extra Point* and *Daily News Live*, as well as regular segments on CN8's nightly *Out of Bounds* show from Philadelphia.

Born March 2, 1974, in Bloomfield, N.J., Burkhardt graduated from William Paterson University in 1997.



## **GABE KAPLER MLB ALL-STAR GAME ON FOX ANALYST**

Gabe Kapler, a former Major League Baseball outfielder, joined the FOX Sports 1 lineup in 2013 as an MLB analyst for FOX SPORTS LIVE. He expanded his role with the network in March 2014 to include analysis on MLB WHIPAROUND, a baseball-specific show airing weeknights with quick-turnaround highlights of in-progress games, news and analysis. He also serves in the same capacity for the new MLB on FOX pregame show from the FOX Network Studios in Los Angeles during the regular and postseason. The pregame show also precedes most Saturday telecasts on FOX Sports 1.

Kapler played for seven different Major League teams across portions of 13 seasons, making his debut with the Detroit Tigers in 1998 and playing his final season in 2010 with the Tampa Bay Rays. Kapler won a World Series with the 2004 Red Sox and was on the field when the squad snapped its 86-year title drought. In his career, he played for the Detroit Tigers (1998-'99), Los Angeles Dodgers (2011), Texas Rangers (2000-'02), Colorado Rockies (2002-'03), Boston Red Sox (2003-'06; 2007), Milwaukee Brewers (2008) and Tampa Bay Rays (2009-'10).

Kapler was drafted by the Detroit Tigers in 1995 and made his Major League debut in 1998, becoming the first Tiger since the draft's inception to be selected as late as the 57th round and still reach the big leagues. In 1999, he hit 18 home runs in just over 400 at-bats, placing him third among American League rookies. Kapler's 10 home runs in his first 64 games were the fastest by a Detroit rookie since 1954, a mark that stood until 2008.

Playing for the Boston Red Sox in the 2004 World Series, Kapler was one of nine players on the field when the Red Sox won their first World Series title in 86 years. He earned the Play of the Year Award in 2008, as voted upon by more than 12 million fans in MLB's This Year in Baseball Awards, for a head-first, home run-saving catch into the left-field seats that helped the Brewers retain a one-run lead.

Kapler, an avid weightlifter, has appeared on the covers of several fitness magazines and was the center of a K-Swiss shoe marketing campaign before he went pro. Following retirement from MLB, as the director of business development at Egraphs, Kapler recruited more than 300 MLB and NBA players to utilize the company's iPad technology to connect with fans.

With his wife, Lisa, Kapler co-founded the Gabe Kapler Foundation, dedicated to education about domestic violence and assisting women in escaping abusive relationships.

Born July 31, 1975, in Hollywood, Calif., Kapler was raised in Los Angeles. He attended California State University-Fullerton and graduated from Moorpark College, where he was named first team All-Western Conference and inducted into the Moorpark College Athletic Hall of Fame in 2008.



## **FRANK THOMAS MLB ALL-STAR GAME ON FOX ANALYST**

Hall of Famer Frank Thomas joined FOX Sports in 2014 as an analyst for the new MLB on FOX pregame show from the FOX Network Studios in Los Angeles during the regular and entire postseason. Thomas, one of baseball's biggest stars in the 1990s, works alongside host Kevin Burkhardt, former Dodger great Eric Karros, World Series Champion Gabe Kapler and former Reds pitcher C.J. Nitkowski. The pregame show also precedes most Saturday telecasts on FOX Sports 1.

Thomas, a former designated hitter and first baseman, also serves as an analyst on MLB WHIPAROUND, FOX Sports 1's new, baseball-specific show airing weeknights with quick-turnaround highlights of in-progress games, news and analysis, also live from Los Angeles.

Thomas, elected in 2014 to the Baseball Hall of Fame in his first year eligible, is one of the game's all-time top sluggers. A two-time American League MVP and five-time All-Star, Thomas finished his 19-year career with a .301 average, 521 home runs and 1,704 RBIs before announcing his retirement in February 2010. Nicknamed "The Big Hurt," Thomas also was the 1997 Batting Champion and the 1995 Home Run Derby Champion. He spent the majority of his career with the Chicago White Sox, who retired his No. 35 jersey, and also played for Oakland and Toronto. The White Sox selected Thomas as the seventh pick in the first round of the 1989 MLB Draft. He went on to become the only player in MLB history to post seven consecutive seasons with a .300 average and at least 100 walks, 100 runs, 100 RBIs and 20 home runs (1991-'97).

Following his playing days, Thomas worked as a pre- and postgame studio analyst for Comcast SportsNet Chicago, also occasionally filling in on game broadcasts. Thomas also appeared as a guest analyst during TBS' coverage of the 2007 MLB Playoffs. On the big screen, Thomas appeared in *Mr. Baseball* with Tom Selleck, and also made a guest appearance as himself on *Married with Children*.

Born May 27, 1968, in Columbus, Ga., Thomas was raised in Columbus and graduated from Columbus High School. He graduated from Auburn University, where he played baseball and football. In 1987, Thomas played for the U.S. Pan American Team, earning a spot on the final roster to compete in the Pan American Games.