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ERA COMMITTEES ELECTIONS

The National Baseball Hall of Fame will take the first steps toward Induction Weekend 2022 in Orlando, Fla., this weekend, as the Golden Days Era Committee and Early Baseball Era Committee each consider a ballot of 10 candidates for Hall of Fame election...Results of the each vote will be announced at 6 p.m. ET on Sunday, Dec. 5 live on MLB Network's *MLB Tonight*...Any electees to emerge from the Golden Days Era Committee balloting and Early Baseball Era Committee balloting will be honored during Hall of Fame Weekend 2022, July 22-25 in Cooperstown...The 2022 Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will be held at 1:30 p.m. ET on July 24.

ANNOUNCING THE RESULTS: Hall of Fame President Josh Rawitch will announce the results of the Golden Days Era Committee balloting and the Early Baseball Era Committee balloting at 6 p.m. ET Sunday, Dec. 5, live on MLB Network's *MLB Tonight*...If any living electees emerge from the voting, Zoom calls with each individual electee are expected to be held Sunday evening.

THE GOLDEN DAYS ERA BALLOT: Nine former big league players and one manager were named Nov. 5 to the Hall of Fame's Golden Days Era Ballot...The 10 finalists on the Golden Days Era Ballot include: **Dick Allen, Ken Boyer, Gil Hodges, Jim Kaat, Roger Maris, Minnie Miñoso, Danny Murtaugh, Tony Oliva, Billy Pierce** and **Maury Wills**...Murtaugh was included for his work as Pirates manager in the 1950s, 60s and 70s, and all other candidates are included for their work as players...The Golden Days Era Committee considers candidates whose primary contribution to the game came from 1950-69...Of this group, Kaat, Oliva and Wills are living...Any candidate who receives votes on 75 percent of the ballots cast by the 16-member Golden Days Era Committee will be elected and enshrined as part of the Class of 2022.

THE GOLDEN DAYS ERA ELECTORATE: The 16-member Golden Days Era electorate features Hall of Fame members **Rod Carew, Fergie Jenkins, Mike Schmidt, John Schuerholz, Bud Selig, Ozzie Smith** and **Joe Torre**; major league executives **Al Avila, Bill DeWitt, Ken Kendrick, Kim Ng** and **Tony Reagins**; and veteran media members/historians **Adrian Burgos Jr., Steve Hirdt, Jaime Jarrin** and **Jack O'Connell**... Hall of Fame Chairman of the Board **Jane Forbes Clark** will serve as the non-voting Chairman of the Golden Days Era Committee...The Golden Days Era ballot was devised by the Baseball Writers' Association of America-appointed Historical Overview Committee, comprised of 11 veteran members: **Bob Elliott** (*Canadian Baseball Network*); **Jim Henneman** (formerly *Baltimore Sun*); **Steve Hirdt** (*Stats Perform*); **Rick Hummel** (*St. Louis Post-Dispatch*); **David O'Brien** (The Athletic); **Jack O'Connell** (BBWAA); **Jim Reeves** (formerly *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*); **Tracy Ringolsby** (*InsideTheSeams.com*); **Glenn Schwarz** (formerly *San Francisco Chronicle*); **Susan Slusser** (*San Francisco Chronicle*); and **Mark Whicker** (*Southern California News Group*)...The HOC annually sets ballots for the Era Committee elections.

THE EARLY DAYS ERA BALLOT: Seven Negro Leagues and pre-Negro Leagues legends and three American League/National League stars were named Nov. 5 to the Hall of Fame's Early Baseball Era ballot...The 10 finalists on the Early Baseball Era Ballot include: **Bill Dahlen, John Donaldson, Bud Fowler, Vic Harris, Grant "Home Run" Johnson, Lefty O'Doul, Buck O'Neil, Dick "Cannonball" Redding, Allie Reynolds** and **George "Tubby" Scales**...All candidates are deceased...The Early Baseball Era Committee considers candidates whose primary contribution to the game came prior to 1950...Any candidate who receives votes on 75 percent of the ballots cast by the 16-member Early Baseball Era Committee will be elected and enshrined as part of the Class of 2022.

THE EARLY BASEBALL ERA ELECTORATE: The 16-member Early Baseball Era electorate features Hall of Fame members **Bert Blyleven, Fergie Jenkins, John Schuerholz, Ozzie Smith and Joe Torre**; major league executives **Bill DeWitt, Ken Kendrick and Tony Reagins**; and veteran media members/historians **Gary Ashwill, Adrian Burgos Jr., Leslie Heaphy, Jim Henneman, Justice Hill, Steve Hirdt, Rick Hummel and John Thorn**...Hall of Fame Chairman of the Board **Jane Forbes Clark** and Hall of Famer **Bud Selig** will serve as non-voting co-Chairs for the Early Baseball Era Committee meeting...The National Baseball Hall of Fame's Board of Directors convened a Special Early Baseball Overview Committee of 10 historians to develop the Early Baseball Era Committee's 10-person ballot...The Special Early Baseball Overview Committee consists of five Negro Leagues historians and five veteran members of the Baseball Writers' Association of America who have previously served on the National Baseball Hall of Fame's Historical Overview Committee...The Special Early Baseball Overview Committee included the following Negro League historians: **Gary Ashwill, Adrian Burgos Jr., Phil Dixon, Leslie Heaphy and Claire Smith**...They were joined by Historical Overview Committee members **Jim Henneman** (formerly *Baltimore Sun*), **Steve Hirdt** (*Stats Perform*), **Rick Hummel** (*St. Louis Post-Dispatch*), **Jim Reeves** (formerly *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*) and **Glenn Schwarz** (formerly *San Francisco Chronicle*).

WHO'S ELIGIBLE: The Golden Days Era covers candidates among managers, umpires, executives and long-retired players whose most significant career impact was realized from 1950-69...The Early Baseball Era covers candidates among managers, umpires, executives and players whose most significant career impact was realized prior to 1950, including Negro Leaguers and pre-Negro Leaguers...Eligible candidates include: Players who played in at least 10 major league seasons, who are not on Major League Baseball's ineligible list; Managers and Umpires with 10 or more years in baseball and retired for at least five years; and Executives who have been retired for at least five years, with any active executives 70 or older eligible for consideration.

FUTURE ELECTIONS: Four era committees for consideration of managers, umpires, executives and long-retired players meet on a rotating basis: *Today's Game* (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball from 1988 to the present); *Modern Baseball* (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball from 1970 to 1987); *Golden Days* (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball from 1950 to 1969); and *Early Baseball* (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball prior to 1950)...The *Today's Game* and *Modern Baseball* eras are considered twice each in a five-year period, with the *Golden Days* era considered once every five years and the *Early Baseball* era considered once every 10 years...The *Today's Game* era was considered in the fall of 2016, with John Schuerholz and Bud Selig earning Hall of Fame election; and in the fall of 2018, with Harold Baines and Lee Smith earning Hall of Fame election...The *Modern Baseball* era was considered in the fall of 2017, with Jack Morris and Alan Trammell earning Hall of Fame election; and in the fall of 2019, with Marvin Miller and Ted Simmons earning Hall of Fame election...Due to the pandemic, no Era Committee elections were held in the fall of 2020...Eras considered for yearly induction will be as follows: **2022** – Both Golden Days and Early Baseball; **2023** – Today's Game; **2024** – Modern Baseball; **2025** – Today's Game; **2026** – Modern Baseball; **2027** – Golden Days. *The Early Baseball era returns for induction consideration in 2032.*

HISTORY OF THE VETERANS COMMITTEE

The Veterans Committee/Eras Committee has been a part of the Hall of Fame voting process since the first class of electees in 1936, with the first Veterans Committee electees coming in 1937...In all its forms, the Veterans Committee/Eras Committee has elected 171 individuals (100 major leaguers, 30 executives, 22 managers, nine Negro Leaguers and 10 umpires) to the Hall of Fame.

THE COMMITTEE ON BASEBALL VETERANS: In 1953, the Baseball Hall of Fame Committee on Baseball Veterans was formed, outlining parameters that were similar through 2001, though with some variance throughout its time...Voting was conducted every other year from 1953-1959, with annual votes from 1961 until 2001...From 1961 through 2001, the Committee elected 101 members in 41 meetings, electing a candidate on all but three occasions: 1988, 1990 and 1993.

TURN OF THE CENTURY CHANGES: From 2001 through 2007, the Hall of Fame's Committee on Baseball Veterans considered long-retired players, managers, umpires and executives on a bi-annual cycle featuring one ballot for players and another for managers, umpires and executives...The electorate was comprised of the living members of the Hall of Fame, the living recipients of the J.G. Taylor Spink Award, the living recipients of the Ford C. Frick Award and Veterans Committee members whose terms had not yet expired...Beginning in 2003, the Committee held its election of players every other year...Also beginning in 2003, the election of managers, umpires and executives was held every four years...The three players elections (2003, 2005 and 2007) and the two composite-ballot elections (2003 and 2007) produced no candidates who received the 75 percent of the vote necessary for election.

REVAMPING THE PROCESS: From 2007 to 2010, the Hall of Fame’s Committee on Baseball Veterans was revamped to consider managers and umpires on one ballot, executives and pioneers on one ballot, players who began their big league careers prior to 1943 on one ballot and players who were retired for at least 21 seasons and whose careers began after 1942 on a fourth ballot...The electorates consisted of panels of Hall of Famers, executives and media members...Players whose big league careers began after 1942 were considered every other year, with the managers/umpires and executive pioneers ballots considered in the opposite years from the players...Players whose big league careers began prior to 1942 were considered every five years starting in the fall of 2008...In the fall of 2007, the Committee considered the managers/umpires ballot and the executives/pioneers ballot...Managers **Billy Southworth** and **Dick Williams** each received 13 of a possible 16 votes (81.3%) to earn election from the managers/umpires ballot, while **Barney Dreyfuss** (10 of 12 votes, 83%), **Bowie Kuhn** (10 of 12 votes, 83%) and **Walter O’Malley** (9 of 12 votes, 75%) were elected from the executives/pioneers ballot...In the fall of 2008, **Joe Gordon** received 10 of 12 votes (83%) to earn election from the pre-1943 players ballot...No player reached the 75 percent threshold needed for election on the post-1942 players ballot...In the fall of 2009, the managers/umpires and the executives/pioneers ballots were again considered...Umpire **Doug Harvey** (15 of 16 votes, 93.8%) and manager **Whitey Herzog** (14 of 16 votes, 87.5%) were elected from the managers/umpires ballot...No candidate received the necessary 75 percent of the vote to earn election from the executives/pioneers ballot.

A NEW ERA: From 2011-15, the Veterans Committee transitioned to the Eras Committee, which featured three candidate categories based on the era in which the candidate left his or her most indelible mark...The Expansion Era Committee, the Golden Era Committee and the Pre-Integration Era Committee met on a three-year rotating basis, with two complete cycles of the committee votes held from 2011-15...The Expansion Era Committee elected executive **Pat Gillick** to the Hall of Fame as part of the Class of 2011 in its first session, then elected managers **Bobby Cox**, **Tony La Russa** and **Joe Torre** to the Class of 2014...The Golden Era Committee elected **Ron Santo** as part of the Class of 2012, with no Golden Era candidates receiving the necessary 75 percent of the vote to be elected with the Class of 2015...The Pre-Integration Era Committee elected umpire **Hank O’Day**, executive **Jacob Ruppert** and third baseman **Deacon White** to the Class of 2013, with no Pre-Integration Era candidates reaching the 75-percent mark needed for election.

FOUR FOR ALL: In 2016, the Hall of Fame Board of Directors revamped the eras committees, placing a much greater emphasis on modern eras...Additionally, those major league players, managers, umpires and executives who excelled before 1950, as well as Negro Leagues stars, will still have an opportunity to have their careers reviewed, but with less frequency...Four eras for committee consideration were identified: *Today’s Game* (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball from 1988 to the present); *Modern Baseball* (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball from 1970 to 1987); *Golden Days* (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball from 1950 to 1969); and *Early Baseball* (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball prior to 1950).

VETERAN INFLUENCE: The Veterans Committee, in all its forms, has been electing players to the Hall of Fame since 1937, when **Morgan Bulkeley**, **Ban Johnson**, **Connie Mack**, **John McGraw** and **George Wright** comprised the first Veterans Committee class...The largest class came in 1946 when 11 men were elected to the Hall of Fame by the Veterans Committee...The 11 electees in 1946 were: **Jesse Burkett**, **Frank Chance**, **Jack Chesbro**, **Johnny Evers**, **Clark Griffith**, **Tommy McCarthy**, **Joe McGinnity**, **Eddie Plank**, **Joe Tinker**, **Rube Waddell** and **Ed Walsh**...The 17 former Negro League players and executives chosen for enshrinement in 2006 were elected through a special committee on Negro Leagues and pre-Negro Leagues candidates.

FRICK AND BBWAA CAREER EXCELLENCE AWARD FINALISTS IN SPOTLIGHT

Eight of the National Pastime’s pioneering voices have been named as the finalists for the 2022 Ford C. Frick Award, presented annually for excellence in baseball broadcasting by the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum...Candidates from the *Broadcasting Beginnings* category will be considered for the 2022 Frick Award in accordance with the three-year Frick Award election cycle...The eight finalists for the 2022 Frick Award are: **Pat Flanagan**, **Jack Graney**, **Waite Hoyt**, **France Laux**, **Rosey Rowswell**, **Hal Totten**, **Ty Tyson** and **Bert Wilson**...The winner of the 2022 Frick Award will be announced on Dec. 8 and will be honored during the July 23 *Awards Presentation* as part of the July 22-25 Hall of Fame Weekend 2022 in Cooperstown...All candidates are deceased...The Frick Award election cycle rotates annually among *Major League Markets* (team-specific announcers); *National Voices* (broadcasters whose contributions were realized on a national level); and *Broadcasting Beginnings* (early team voices and pioneers of baseball broadcasting)...This cycle will repeat every three years, with the *Major League Markets* ballot to be reviewed in the fall of 2022 and the *National Voices* ballot to be reviewed in the fall of 2023...Criteria for selection is as follows: “Commitment to excellence, quality of broadcasting abilities, reverence within the game, popularity with fans, and recognition by peers.”

Final voting for the 2022 Frick Award will be conducted by an electorate comprised of the 13 living Frick Award recipients and four broadcast historians/columnists, including past Frick honorees **Marty Brennaman**, **Bob Costas**, **Ken Harrelson**, **Jaime Jarrín**, **Tony Kubek**, **Denny Matthews**, **Tim McCarver**, **Al Michaels**, **Jon Miller**, **Eric Nadel**, **Vin Scully**, **Bob Uecker** and **Dave Van Horne**, and historians/columnists **David J. Halberstam** (historian), **Barry Horn** (formerly of the *Dallas Morning News*) and **Curt Smith** (historian)...The 2022 Frick Award ballot was created by a subcommittee of the voting electorate that included Brennaman, Mathews, Nadel, Halberstam and Smith...To be considered, an active or retired broadcaster must have a minimum of 10 years of continuous major league broadcast service with a ball club, network, or a combination of the two...For bios on the eight candidates, please visit baseballhall.org/frickaward2022.

FRICK AWARD HISTORY: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum’s Ford C. Frick Award has been presented annually since 1978 by the Museum for excellence in baseball broadcasting...Annual winners are announced as part of Baseball’s Winter Meetings each year, while awardees are presented with their honor the following summer during Hall of Fame Weekend in Cooperstown, New York...Al Michaels became the 45th winner of the Frick Award in 2021.

2022 BBWAA CAREER EXCELLENCE AWARD FINALISTS: The Baseball Writers’ Association of America has announced its three finalists for the 2022 BBWAA Career Excellence Award...The finalists are: Longtime writer and ESPN analyst **Tim Kurkjian**; former *Newsday* beat writer and columnist **Marty Noble**; and **Allan Simpson**, founder of *Baseball America*...The winner of the 2022 BBWAA Career Excellence Award for writers will be announced Dec. 7.

SCRIBES AND MIKEMEN: Winners of the Frick and BBWAA Career Excellence Awards are featured in the Museum’s “Scribes and Mikemen” exhibit, located on the first floor as part of the Library and Education Center of the Hall of Fame...Text of the award given to the current year’s award winner and photos of past award winners are featured in the exhibit, which outlines the media contributions to the game’s history.

2022 BBWAA ELECTION

RESULTS ANNOUNCED JAN. 25: The Hall of Fame and BBWAA will announce the results of the 2022 election live from Cooperstown on Tuesday, Jan. 25...The results will be delivered live on MLB Network by Hall of Fame President Josh Rawitch and will also be released on the respective websites of the two organizations, baseballhall.org and bbwaa.com...A news event featuring any electees is scheduled to be held the following day.

THE CLASS OF JANUARY: The results of the 2022 Baseball Writers’ Association of America Hall of Fame vote will be announced at 6 p.m. ET on Jan. 25, 2022, live on MLB Network... The 2022 BBWAA ballot was announced Nov. 22 and consists of: Bobby Abreu, Barry Bonds, Mark Buehrle, Roger Clemens, Carl Crawford, Prince Fielder, Todd Helton, Ryan Howard, Tim Hudson, Torii Hunter, Andruw Jones, Jeff Kent, Tim Lincecum, Justin Morneau, Joe Nathan, David Ortiz, Jonathan Papelbon, Jake Peavy, Andy Pettitte, A.J. Pierzynski, Manny Ramírez, Álex Rodríguez, Scott Rolen, Jimmy Rollins, Curt Schilling, Gary Sheffield, Sammy Sosa, Mark Teixeira, Omar Vizquel and Billy Wagner...For candidate bios, visit baseballhall.org/bbwaa...First-time eligibles are Crawford, Fielder, Howard, Lincecum, Morneau, Nathan, Ortiz, Papelbon, Peavy, Pierzynski, Rodríguez, Rollins and Teixeira...Holdover candidates include Schilling, who was named on 71.1 percent of the BBWAA ballots cast in 2021; Bonds, who was named on 61.8 percent of ballots cast in 2021; Clemens, who was named on 61.6 percent of ballots cast in 2021; and Rolen, who was named on 52.9 percent of ballots cast a year ago...Schilling, Bonds, Clemens and Sosa are appearing on the ballot for the 10th-and-final time...Other returning candidates include Abreu, Buehrle, Hudson, Hunter, Helton, Jones, Kent, Pettitte, Ramírez, Sheffield, Vizquel and Wagner.

BOOK NOW FOR FUTURE WEEKENDS: The 2022 Induction Weekend is scheduled for July 22-25, with the Induction on July 24...The 2022 BBWAA voting results will be announced on Jan. 25...A partial list of eligible first-time players for upcoming Hall of Fame elections includes: **2023:** Carlos Beltrán, John Lackey, Francisco Rodríguez, Jayson Werth; **2024:** Adrián Beltré, Joe Mauer, Chase Utley, David Wright; **2025:** Brian McCann, CC Sabathia, Ichiro Suzuki, Troy Tulowitzki; **2026:** Ryan Braun, Alex Gordon, Nick Markakis, Hunter Pence; **2027:** Jay Bruce, Buster Posey, Joakim Soria, Jordan Zimmerman.

CHANGES TO THE ELECTION PROCESS: In July 2014, the Hall of Fame’s Board of Directors altered the election criteria for candidates under consideration by the Baseball Writers’ Association of America, reducing the maximum number of years a candidate can be considered by the BBWAA from 15 years to 10 years...On July 28, 2015, the Hall of Fame’s Board of Directors announced changes to the Baseball Writers’ Association of America electorate for Hall of Fame voting...Hall of Fame voters must meet requirements as active members who are still covering the game, with a 10-year grace period provided for BBWAA members who are no longer active in baseball...BBWAA members previously holding Hall of Fame voting privileges who are no longer active in the game and are more than 10 years removed from active status will have the opportunity for annual reinstatement, based on their coverage of the game in the preceding year.

THE 2021 BALLOT: The BBWAA ballot featured 25 players, including 11 new candidates and 14 returnees...No candidate received votes on 75 percent of ballots cast necessary to earn election...Three first-year candidates received the five percent of the vote necessary to remain on the ballot: Mark Buehrle (11.9%), Torii Hunter (9.5%) and Tim Hudson (5.2%)...Candidates receiving less than five percent of the vote are no longer eligible for BBWAA consideration and appear in italics below...Seventeen players will return for consideration in 2022...A total of 401 votes were cast, with 301 votes necessary for election and 21 votes necessary to remain on the ballot...A record 14 blank ballots were cast...The final results, in order of percentage received with number of years on the ballot:

NAME	YR	2021	NAME	YR	2021	NAME	YR	2021
Curt Schilling	9	71.1%	Jeff Kent	8	32.4%	<i>LaTroy Hawkins</i>	1	0.5%
Barry Bonds	9	61.8%	Manny Ramírez	5	28.2%	<i>Barry Zito</i>	1	0.2%
Roger Clemens	9	61.6%	Sammy Sosa	9	17.0%	<i>A.J. Burnett</i>	1	0.0%
Scott Rolen	4	52.9%	Andy Pettitte	3	13.7%	<i>Michael Cuddyer</i>	1	0.0%
Omar Vizquel	4	49.1%	Mark Buehrle	1	11.0%	<i>Dan Haren</i>	1	0.0%
Billy Wagner	6	46.4%	Torii Hunter	1	9.5%	<i>Nick Swisher</i>	1	0.0%
Todd Helton	3	44.9%	Bobby Abreu	2	8.7%	<i>Shane Victorino</i>	1	0.0%
Gary Sheffield	7	40.6%	Tim Hudson	1	5.2%			
Andruw Jones	4	33.9%	<i>Aramis Ramírez</i>	1	1.0%			

THE VOTING ELECTORATE: Of the 414 Hall of Fame ballots distributed to BBWAA voters for the 2021 election, 401 were returned, a return rate of 96.9 percent...The most ballots ever cast in one BBWAA Hall of Fame election came in 2011 with 581...Voting privileges are extended to those BBWAA members meeting their organization’s Hall of Fame voting qualifications and in good standing with the BBWAA...Voters can select from zero to 10 names on their Hall of Fame ballot...Votes on 75 percent of all ballots cast are necessary for election.

CAREFUL SELECTION: 2021 marked the 77th Hall of Fame election held by the BBWAA...Starting in 1936, the BBWAA has elected someone 68 times and on nine occasions it did not elect anyone (1945, 1946, 1950, 1958, 1960, 1971, 1996, 2013, 2021)...On nine occasions, no election was held (1940, 1941, 1943, 1944, 1957, 1959, 1961, 1963, 1965)...The BBWAA membership has elected from zero to five candidates in each of its 77 elections...As quantified in the chart below, the BBWAA has voted in two players more than any other quantity (27 times).

ELECTED	TIMES	LAST	CLASS
5	1	1936	Cobb, Johnson, Mathewson, Ruth, Wagner
4	5	2019	Halladay, Martinez, Mussina, Rivera
3	9	2017	Bagwell, Raines, Rodríguez
2	27	2020	Jeter, Walker
1	26	2012	Larkin
0	9	2021	----

NINE FROM 13: The 2021 election marked the ninth time in 77 BBWAA Hall of Fame elections that no candidate appeared on the 75 percent of ballots necessary to earn election...The most recent election that yielded no candidates came in 2013...In the eight years since then, nine candidates on that ballot have earned Hall of Fame election, either via the BBWAA vote or the Eras Committee process...The nine candidates from the 2013 BBWAA Hall of Fame ballot who have since earned Hall of Fame election include: Jeff Bagwell (elected by BBWAA in 2017), Craig Biggio (elected by BBWAA in 2015), Edgar Martinez (elected by BBWAA in 2019), Jack Morris (elected by Modern Baseball Era Committee in 2018), Mike Piazza (elected by BBWAA in 2016), Tim Raines (elected by BBWAA in 2017), Lee Smith (elected by Today’s Game Era Committee in 2019), Alan Trammell (elected by Modern Baseball Era Committee in 2018) and Larry Walker (elected by BBWAA in 2020).

ROSTER ADDITIONS: From 2014-20, the BBWAA elected at least two Hall of Fame candidates in seven straight years and a total of 22 candidates during that time...The 2014-2020 stretch marked the first time the BBWAA has elected two-or-more candidates in seven consecutive years and the most total electees in any seven-year stretch...The 2014-2020 stretch also featured at least one first-ballot inductee in seven straight years, the first such stretch since a run of eight straight years from 1988-95.

THREE FOURS: In three of the last seven BBWAA elections, four candidates have earned a place in Cooperstown...Roy Halladay, Edgar Martinez, Mike Mussina and Mariano Rivera were elected in 2019; Vladimir Guerrero, Trevor Hoffman, Chipper Jones and Jim Thome were elected in 2018; and Craig Biggio, Randy Johnson, Pedro Martínez and John Smoltz were elected in 2015...The other two years that featured exactly four BBWAA electees were 1947 (Mickey Cochrane, Frankie Frisch, Lefty Grove and Carl Hubbell) and 1955 (Joe DiMaggio, Gabby Hartnett, Ted Lyons and Dazzy Vance)...Only one BBWAA election featured as many as five electees: The inaugural election of 1936 that produced inductees Ty Cobb, Walter Johnson, Christy Mathewson, Babe Ruth and Honus Wagner.

39 IN 60: The most recent year that featured no Hall of Fame electees either by the BBWAA or a veterans election body was 1960, where no BBWAA candidate reached the 75 percent threshold needed for election and no veterans election was held...Edd Roush, who would be elected to the Hall of Fame in 1962, received the most votes of any candidate on the BBWAA ballot in 1960, finishing with 54.3 percent of the vote...Each of the top 12 vote-getters in that election were eventually elected to the Hall of Fame: Luke Appling, Jim Bottomley, Kiki Cuyler, Red Faber, Lefty Gomez, Burleigh Grimes, Tony Lazzeri, Sam Rice, Eppa Rixey, Red Ruffing, Hack Wilson and Roush...In total, 39 candidates who received votes in the 1960 BBWAA election were eventually enshrined in Cooperstown.

RULES FOR ELECTION: Voting criteria for BBWAA electors can be found at <http://baseballhall.org/hall-famers/rules-election/bbwaa>...Voting rules state that: “Voting shall be based upon the player's record, playing ability, integrity, sportsmanship, character, and contributions to the team(s) on which the player played.”

THE GAME’S ELITE: The Hall of Fame is comprised of 333 elected members...Included are 263 former major league players, as well as 38 executives/pioneers, 22 managers and 10 umpires...The BBWAA has elected 134 candidates to the Hall while the veterans committees (in all forms) have chosen 173 deserving candidates (101 major leaguers, 31 executives, 22 managers, 10 umpires and nine Negro Leaguers)...The defunct “Committee on Negro Baseball Leagues” selected nine men between 1971-77 and the Special Committee on Negro Leagues in 2006 elected 17 Negro Leaguers...In 2020, players who appeared in seven specific Negro Leagues from 1920-1948 were designated with major league status...There are currently 72 living members.

72 AMBASSADORS: The 72 living members of the Hall of Fame are: Roberto Alomar, Luis Aparicio, Jeff Bagwell, Harold Baines, Johnny Bench, Craig Biggio, Bert Blyleven, Wade Boggs, George Brett, Rod Carew, Steve Carlton, Orlando Cepeda, Bobby Cox, Andre Dawson, Dennis Eckersley, Rollie Fingers, Carlton Fisk, Pat Gillick, Tom Glavine, Goose Gossage, Ken Griffey Jr., Vladimir Guerrero, Rickey Henderson, Whitey Herzog, Trevor Hoffman, Reggie Jackson, Ferguson Jenkins, Derek Jeter, Randy Johnson, Chipper Jones, Sandy Koufax, Barry Larkin, Tony La Russa, Greg Maddux, Juan Marichal, Edgar Martinez, Pedro Martínez, Willie Mays, Bill Mazeroski, Paul Molitor, Jack Morris, Eddie Murray, Mike Mussina, Jim Palmer, Tony Pérez, Gaylord Perry, Mike Piazza, Tim Lincecum, Jim Rice, Cal Ripken, Mariano Rivera, Brooks Robinson, Iván Rodríguez, Nolan Ryan, Ryne Sandberg, Mike Schmidt, John Schuerholz, Bud Selig, Ted Simmons, Lee Smith, Ozzie Smith, John Smoltz, Bruce Sutter, Frank Thomas, Jim Thome, Joe Torre, Alan Trammell, Larry Walker, Billy Williams, Dave Winfield, Carl Yastrzemski and Robin Yount.

CONNECTING GENERATIONS: Willie Mays, born May 6, 1931, is currently the oldest living Hall of Famer at 90...Vladimir Guerrero, who was born on Feb. 9, 1975, is the youngest living Hall of Famer at 46 years of age.

BETWEEN THE LINES: Including Negro League players, the following is a breakdown by position of the 263 Hall of Famers who earned their election on the playing field...Also included is the last major leaguer to be elected at each position...Numbers in parentheses indicate Hall of Famers elected by the BBWAA at each position.

Pitchers 83 (45)	Second Basemen ..20 (11)	Left Fielders22 (12)
Catchers 19 (10)	Third Basemen 17 (8)	Center Fielders24 (8)
First Basemen 24 (12)	Shortstops26 (12)	Right Fielders26 (15)
Designated Hitter 2 (1)		

P: Halladay, Mussina, Rivera, Smith (2019)	DH: Baines, Martinez (2019)	LF: Raines (2017)
C: Simmons (2020)	2B: Biggio (2015)	CF: Griffey Jr. (2016)
1B: Thome (2018)	3B: Jones (2018)	RF: Walker (2020)
	SS: Jeter (2020)	

FIRST THINGS FIRST: With the election of Derek Jeter in 2020, 57 players have been elected in their first year of eligibility (18 pitchers, seven RF, six 3B, six LF, six SS, five CF, three 2B, three 1B, two catchers and one DH; position based on where electee played the majority of his big league games)...In 14 of the last 20 elections, at least one player has been elected in his first year of eligibility...Other than the inaugural Hall of Fame election, 1999, 2014 and 2015 are the only three years where as many as three first-year candidates were elected at once...NOTE: Lou Gehrig (who received votes in 1936 while active and then was elected by acclamation in 1939) and Roberto Clemente (by special election in 1973) were each elected through a non-traditional process and are not counted in the 57.

YEAR	NAME	YEAR	NAME	YEAR	NAME	YEAR	NAME
1936	Ty Cobb	1981	Bob Gibson	1995	Mike Schmidt	2014	Tom Glavine
1936	Honus Wagner	1982	Hank Aaron	1999	Nolan Ryan	2014	Frank Thomas
1936	Babe Ruth	1982	Frank Robinson	1999	George Brett	2015	Randy Johnson
1936	Christy Mathewson	1983	Brooks Robinson	1999	Robin Yount	2015	Pedro Martínez
1936	Walter Johnson	1985	Lou Brock	2001	Kirby Puckett	2015	John Smoltz
1962	Jackie Robinson	1986	Willie McCovey	2001	Dave Winfield	2016	Ken Griffey Jr.
1962	Bob Feller	1988	Willie Stargell	2002	Ozzie Smith	2017	Iván Rodríguez
1966	Ted Williams	1989	Johnny Bench	2003	Eddie Murray	2018	Chipper Jones
1969	Stan Musial	1989	Carl Yastrzemski	2004	Dennis Eckersley	2018	Jim Thome
1972	Sandy Koufax	1990	Joe Morgan	2004	Paul Molitor	2019	Roy Halladay
1973	Warren Spahn	1990	Jim Palmer	2005	Wade Boggs	2019	Mariano Rivera
1974	Mickey Mantle	1991	Rod Carew	2007	Cal Ripken Jr.	2020	Derek Jeter
1977	Ernie Banks	1992	Tom Seaver	2007	Tony Gwynn		
1979	Willie Mays	1993	Reggie Jackson	2009	Rickey Henderson		
1980	Al Kaline	1994	Steve Carlton	2014	Greg Maddux		

TRY AND TRY AGAIN: The 75 men not elected by the BBWAA in their first year eligible were done so on a later ballot, taking from two to 16 elections...The length of time a player could stay on the BBWAA ballot has varied throughout history...From 1946-56, the rule was that a player must have been active at some point in the 25 years prior to the election – it was increased to 30 years from 1956-62, was 20 years from 1963-2014 and is now 15 years...When one walks through the Hall of Fame Gallery, though, the year or method by which players were elected are not noted...The 75 non-first year BBWAA electees: **2nd election** (Alomar, Berra, Fingers, Fisk, Ford, Guerrero, Lajoie, Speaker, Young); **3rd election** (Alexander, Biggio, Grove, Hoffman, Hubbell, Hunter, Jenkins, Larkin, Marichal, Ott, Perry, Sandberg); **4th election** (E.Collins, DiMaggio, Keeler, Killebrew, Piazza, Roberts, Sisler, Wynn); **5th election** (Campanella, Hornsby, Mathews, Niekro, Sutton); **6th election** (Aparicio, Carter, Cochrane, Frisch, Gehring, Mussina, P.Waner, B.Williams); **7th election** (Appling, Bagwell, Foxx); **8th election** (Pennock, Traynor, Wilhelm); **9th election** (Dawson, Gossage, Greenberg, Medwick, Pérez); **10th election** (Boudreau, Cronin, Dickey, Drysdale, Lyons, E Martinez, Raines, Simmons, Walker); **11th election** (Snider); **12th election** (Dean, Hartnett, Heilmann, Lemon); **13th election** (Kiner, Sutter); **14th election** (Blyleven, Maranville, Terry); **15th election** (Rice, Ruffing); **16th election** (Vance).

ONE-TEAM WONDERS: There are 55 Hall of Famers who spent their entire career with one team, with 2020 electee Derek Jeter the most recent addition to this list...The list includes: Luke Appling, Jeff Bagwell, Ernie Banks, Johnny Bench, Craig Biggio, George Brett, Roy Campanella, Roberto Clemente, Earle Combs, Bill Dickey, Joe DiMaggio, Bobby Doerr, Don Drysdale, Red Faber, Bob Feller, Whitey Ford, Lou Gehrig, Charlie Gehringer, Bob Gibson, Tony Gwynn, Carl Hubbell, Travis Jackson, Derek Jeter, Walter Johnson, Chipper Jones, Addie Joss, Al Kaline, Sandy Koufax, Barry Larkin, Bob Lemon, Ted Lyons, Mickey Mantle, Edgar Martinez, Bill Mazeroski, Bid McPhee, Stan Musial, Mel Ott, Jim Palmer, Kirby Puckett, Pee Wee Reese, Jim Rice, Cal Ripken, Mariano Rivera, Phil Rizzuto, Brooks Robinson, Jackie Robinson, Mike Schmidt, Willie Stargell, Alan Trammell, Pie Traynor, Bill Terry, Ted Williams, Carl Yastrzemski, Ross Youngs and Robin Yount.

NINE TENTHS OF THE LAW: In 2020, Derek Jeter became the 35th player to earn at least 90 percent in any one BBWAA election...The 35 players with at least 90% of votes cast in their favor:

YEAR	PLAYER	BALLOTS CAST	VOTES RECEIVED	% RECEIVED	OMITTED BALLOTS
2019	Mariano Rivera	425	425	100%	0
2020	Derek Jeter	397	396	99.75%	1
2016	Ken Griffey Jr.	440	437	99.32%	3
1992	Tom Seaver	430	425	98.84%	5
1999	Nolan Ryan	497	491	98.79%	6
2007	Cal Ripken	545	537	98.53%	8
1936	Ty Cobb	226	222	98.23%	4
1999	George Brett	497	488	98.19%	9
1982	Hank Aaron	415	406	97.83%	9
2007	Tony Gwynn	545	532	97.60%	13
2015	Randy Johnson	549	534	97.27%	15
2014	Greg Maddux	571	555	97.20%	16
2018	Chipper Jones	422	410	97.16%	12
1995	Mike Schmidt	460	444	96.52%	16
1989	Johnny Bench	447	431	96.42%	16
1994	Steve Carlton	456	436	95.61%	20
1936	Honus Wagner	226	215	95.13%	11
1936	Babe Ruth	226	215	95.13%	11
2009	Rickey Henderson	539	511	94.81%	28
1979	Willie Mays	432	409	94.67%	23
1989	Carl Yastrzemski	447	423	94.63%	24
1962	Bob Feller	160	150	93.75%	10
1993	Reggie Jackson	423	396	93.62%	27
1966	Ted Williams	302	282	93.37%	20
1969	Stan Musial	340	317	93.23%	23
2018	Vladimir Guerrero	392	422	92.89%	30
1990	Jim Palmer	444	411	92.57%	33
1983	Brooks Robinson	374	344	91.97%	30
2014	Tom Glavine	571	525	91.94%	46
2005	Wade Boggs	516	474	91.86%	42
2002	Ozzie Smith	472	433	91.74%	39
2015	Pedro Martínez	549	500	91.07%	49
1936	Christy Mathewson	226	205	90.70%	21
1991	Rod Carew	443	401	90.50%	42
2011	Roberto Alomar	581	523	90.02%	58

CLOSE, BUT NO CIGAR: Several individuals have come close to being elected to the Hall of Fame, but have missed by the slimmest of margins in a given year:

YEAR	PLAYER	BALLOTS CAST	VOTES RECEIVED	NEEDED/ELECTION	SHORT BY
2014	Craig Biggio	571	427	429	2
1985	Nellie Fox	395	295	297	2
1947	Pie Traynor	161	119	121	2
1986	Billy Williams	425	315	319	4
1988	Jim Bunning	427	317	321	4
2010	Bert Blyleven	539	400	405	5
2017	Trevor Hoffman	442	327	332	5
1994	Orlando Cepeda	455	335	342	7
1967	Joe Medwick	292	212	219	7
1945	Frank Chance	247	179	186	7
1953	Bill Terry	264	191	198	7
1982	Juan Marichal	415	305	312	7
1951	Paul Waner	226	162	170	8
1968	Roy Campanella	283	205	213	8
2010	Roberto Alomar	539	397	405	8
1975	Robin Roberts	362	263	272	9
1997	Don Sutton	473	346	355	9
2002	Gary Carter	472	343	354	11

CLOSE, AND CIGAR: Twenty-seven Hall of Famers have earned election by 10 votes or less:

YEAR	PLAYER	VOTES NEEDED	RECEIVED	MARGIN
1939	Willie Keeler	206	207	1
1953	Al Simmons	198	199	1
1975	Ralph Kiner	272	273	1
1991	Ferguson Jenkins	333	334	1
1937	Cy Young	151	153	2
1947	Lefty Grove	121	123	2
1948	Pie Traynor	91	93	2
1948	Herb Pennock	91	94	3
1962	Jackie Robinson	120	124	4
2017	Iván Rodríguez	332	336	4
1972	Early Wynn	297	301	4
1987	Jim “Catfish” Hunter	310	315	5
1954	Bill Terry	189	195	6
1955	Gabby Hartnett	189	195	6
2005	Ryne Sandberg	387	393	6
2020	Larry Walker	298	304	6
1939	Eddie Collins	206	213	7
1942	Rogers Hornsby	175	182	7
1947	Mickey Cochrane	121	128	7
1956	Joe Cronin	145	152	7
1970	Lou Boudreau	225	232	7
2009	Jim Rice	405	412	7
2019	Mike Mussina	319	326	7
1951	Jimmie Foxx	170	179	9
1991	Gaylord Perry	333	342	9
1974	Whitey Ford	274	284	10
2000	Tony Pérez	375	385	10

MUSEUM NEWS FROM COOPERSTOWN

AUTUMN GLORY: Artifacts from the Atlanta Braves’ world championship have arrived in Cooperstown and will soon be on display in the Museum’s *Autumn Glory* exhibit...The artifacts from the 2021 postseason will be on display through the 2022 postseason in *Autumn Glory*, the Museum’s exhibition celebrating the postseason...Artifacts include:

- The pearl necklace worn by Joc Pederson throughout the Postseason
- Spikes worn by Braves Game 6 starter Max Fried, who pitched six shutout innings to earn the victory
- Batting helmet worn by World Series MVP Jorge Soler
- Bat used by Braves first baseman Freddie Freeman in Game 6 when he doubled and homered
- Glove used by NLCS MVP Eddie Rosario
- Cap worn by Braves Game 3 starter Ian Anderson, who did not allow a hit over five innings, and a ball he threw during that game
- Spikes worn in Game 6 by Braves reliever Will Smith, who did not allow a run in 11 Postseason appearances
- Cap worn in Game 6 by Braves shortstop Dansby Swanson
- Jersey worn in Game 1 by Braves manager Brian Snitker
- Cap worn by Astros manager Dusty Baker during the regular season
- Batting helmet worn by ALCS MVP Yordan Álvarez during the Postseason

COOPERSTOWN CONNECTION

MUSEUM DEBUTS HALL OF FAME CONNECTIONS YOUTUBE SERIES: Through its new YouTube series *Hall of Fame Connections*, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum is sharing the fascinating connections that link early baseball with today’s game...Produced by MLB Network and made possible by a grant from New York State’s Division of Tourism, the series looks at the Hall of Fame’s collection from a new and exciting angle, with each episode telling a different story of how two seemingly unrelated artifacts in the Museum’s vast collection connect to each other, crossing through generations of baseball history...Each two-part episode features both a narrative storytelling element that weaves through the history of some of the Museum’s most iconic artifacts, and the Hall of Fame’s curators conversing about those artifacts and stories with MLB Network personalities Carlos Peña, a former MLB All-Star, and sports journalist Lindsay Berra, the granddaughter of Hall of Fame catcher Yogi Berra...The series consists of 13 episodes, all available to stream for free through the Hall of Fame’s YouTube channel at youtube.com/baseballhall.

APPLICATIONS FOR 2022 FRANK AND PEGGY STEELE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM DUE JAN. 31: The chance to spend the summer in Cooperstown is every baseball fan's dream...For college students aspiring to land a once-in-a-lifetime summer experience in the National Baseball Hall of Fame's 2022 internship program, only a handful of weeks remain before applications are due January 31...The 2022 Frank and Peggy Steele Internship Program for Youth Leadership Development will provide students the chance to join the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum team in a 10-week paid summer internship, offering meaningful, hands-on training in numerous professional career fields for those who are chosen from the hundreds of applications received in Cooperstown each year...In addition, interns learn and work in the company of baseball's best-known personalities during the annual Hall of Fame Weekend and Induction Ceremony...To be considered for the program, students must be enrolled in a bachelor's or master's degree program at a college or university, having completed at least their sophomore year of studies, or must have just graduated in May of the year of their internship...Intern positions for 2022 are available in the following fields: Collections, Communications, Curatorial, Development/Membership, Education, Library Research, Licensing & Sales, Manuscript Archives, Photo Archives & Digital Collections, Public Programs, Social Media and Special Events...Nineteen internships will be awarded...All applications must be completed online at baseballhall.org/intern...Applications must be received no later than Jan. 31, 2022.

TIME TO VISIT: The Museum is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. until Memorial Day Weekend, when summer hours resume...The Museum is open every day of the year, except for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day...Ticket prices are \$25 for adults (13 and over), \$20 for seniors (65 and over), \$18 for those holding current memberships in the VFW, Disabled American Veterans, American Legion and AMVets organizations, and \$15 for juniors (ages 7-12)...Members and active or career retired military personnel are always admitted free of charge and there is no charge for children 6 years of age or younger...For more information, visit our website at www.baseballhall.org or call (607) 547-7200.