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# **AROUND THE HORN**

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# CHAMPIONS TO BE HONORED

The 2016 World Series champions will be celebrated in Cooperstown in *Autumn Glory*, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum's exhibit that chronicles the postseason...The 2016 edition of *Autumn Glory* will be unveiled in November on the Museum's third floor and feature artifacts from the 2016 postseason...The exhibit will run through the 2017 Major League Baseball postseason...Artifacts from the 2015 postseason, like the catcher's mitt used by Most Valuable Player Salvador Perez and the jersey worn by the Royals' Eric Hosmer during his daring dash for home plate in Game 5, are currently on exhibit in *Autumn Glory*...The Museum collections contain many artifacts documenting the entire history of World Series and postseason play, including Don Larsen's cap and Yogi Berra's mitt from Larsen's 1956 perfect game; Joe Carter's bat from his 1993 Series-ending blast; and World Series rings from the last century of Fall Classic competition.

<u>CLEVELAND ROCKS</u>: The Indians are making their sixth appearance in the World Series and first since 1997...The Indians previously won the World Series in 1920 and 1948...The Museum contains several artifacts from the Indians' previous World Series champions, including home plate used at Cleveland Stadium during the 1948 World Series and tickets from the 1920 and 1948 World Series...The Museum also has artifacts from the 1995 and 1997 American League champion Indians, including spikes Kenny Lofton wore during the 1995 World Series and a bat used by Marquis Grissom in the 1997 World Series.

**BEARING UP**: The Cubs are making their 11<sup>th</sup> appearance in the modern World Series and first since 1945...The Cubs previously won the World Series in 1907 and 1908...The Museum contains artifacts from the Cubs' appearance in the 1945 World Series, including a press pin and the glove used by Cubs third baseman Stan Hack; and a gold fob pendant presented to Mordecai "Three Finger" Brown celebrating the Cubs' World Series wins in 1907 and 1908.

<u>MEMBERS OF TEAMS WITH ARTIFACTS AT MUSEUM</u>: Several members of the 2016 Cubs and Indians are represented in the Museum's collection beyond those listed above, including:

- Corey Kluber, who donated his Indians jersey from Sept. 6, 2014 when he notched his 14<sup>th</sup> win of the season en route to the American League Cy Young Award.
- Mike Napoli, who donated his Red Sox jersey following Game 6 of the 2013 American League Championship Series.
- Jason Kipnis, who donated a game-worn Indians jersey and a bat from the 2015 season.
- Lonnie Chisenhall, who donated a bat he used to record five hits and nine RBI in a game on June 9, 2014 vs. the Rangers.
- Jake Arrieta, who donated his cap worn during his 20<sup>th</sup> win of the season on Sept. 22, 2015 as well as his cap from his 2016 no-hitter.
- Kyle Schwarber, who donated his bat from the 2015 Futures Game where he was named MVP.
- John Lackey, who donated his cap from his start in Game 7 of the 2002 World Series with the Angels.
- Jon Lester, who donated his cap from Game 4 of the 2007 World Series and spikes from his no-hitter on May 19, 2008.
- David Ross, who donated his catcher's mask from the 2013 World Series when he was with the Red Sox.
- Aroldis Chapman, who donated Reds caps from 2014 when he established a new record of 40 consecutive games with a strikeout and from 2015 when he set a new record for saves by a native of Cuba.

## THE FALL CLASSIC

**<u>21</u><sup>ST</sup> CENTURY FALL CLASSIC GEMS IN COOPERSTOWN:</u> The Museum collections contain many artifacts documenting the history of World Series and postseason play...Among the most recent: From 2015, the catcher's mitt used by World Series MVP Salvador Perez and the jersey worn by the Royals' Eric Hosmer during his daring dash for home plate in Game 5; From 2014, the cap worn by World Series MVP Madison Bumgarner** and the spikes worn by the Giants' Game 7 winner Jeremy Affeldt; From 2013, the bat used by World Series MVP David Ortiz of the Red Sox in Game 5 and the spikes worn by Boston's Koji Uehara throughout the World Series; From 2012, the bat used by the Giants' Pablo Sandoval to hit the first two of his three home runs in Game 1; From 2011, the game-worn Game 6 jersey from World Series MVP David Freese along with the bat the Cardinals' third baseman used to hit his game-winning home run in Game 6, and the spikes worn by the St. Louis' Albert Pujols when he hit three home runs in Game 3; And from 2010, the road jersey from the Giants' Tim Lincecum from Game 5, and the bat used by World Series MVP Edgar Renteria to hit his game-winning home run in Game 5.

**20th and 19th CENTURY FALL CLASSIC ARTIFACTS HERE TOO:** The Museum collections contain many artifacts documenting the entire history of World Series and postseason play...The first and last pitched baseballs from the original modern day World Series in 1903; **Don Larsen's** cap and **Yogi Berra's** mitt from Larsen's '56 gem; **Joe Carter's** (1993) bat from his Series-ending blast...The gloves worn by **Al Gionfriddo** (1947), **Willie Mays** (1954) and **Brooks Robinson** (1970)...**Babe Ruth's** bat from one of his two 3-HR games (1928) and the radio given to the **1940 Reds** as the World Series share for winning...The **Temple Cup**, presented to the top two NL teams from 1894-97, is in Cooperstown, as is the **Hall Championship Cup**, presented to the 1888 World Champion New York Baseball Club.

**ERNIE BANKS IS NOT ALONE**: Of the 51 Hall of Fame major league players who did not appear in a World Series, 23 played prior to the first Fall Classic in 1903...The other 28 played at least five years after 1902...The unlucky 28 by position: **C**: Rick Ferrell...**1B**: Jake Beckley, George Sisler, Frank Thomas...**2B**: Rod Carew, Nap Lajoie, Ryne Sandberg...**SS**: Luke Appling, Ernie Banks, Bobby Wallace...**3B**: George Kell, Ron Santo...**LF**: Joe Kelley, Ralph Kiner, Billy Williams...**CF**: Ken Griffey Jr....**RF**: Andre Dawson, Elmer Flick, Harry Heilmann, Willie Keeler...**Pitchers**: Jim Bunning, Jack Chesbro, Ferguson Jenkins, Addie Joss, Ted Lyons, Phil Niekro, Gaylord Perry and Rube Waddell.

**LEADERS OF THE PACK**: Among the 118 Hall of Fame position players with World Series experience, the career leaders in batting and service categories...**Yogi Berra**: years (14), games (75), at-bats (259), hits (71), singles (49) and doubles (10, tied with **Frankie Frisch**); **Joe DiMaggio**: most Series playing in all games (10); **Mickey Mantle**: HR (18), RBI (40), extra base hits (26), walks (43), total bases (123) and runs (42); **Tris Speaker:** triples (4 – tied); **Lou Brock**: steals (14, tied with **Eddie Collins**).

**FORD TOUGH**: Among the 53 Hall of Famers to pitch in the World Series, **"The Chairman of the Board," Whitey Ford**, leads in virtually every career category including innings (146), wins (10), strikeouts (94), years (11) and consecutive scoreless innings (33)...**Christy Mathewson** leads in CG (10), SHO (4) and consecutive scoreless innings in one series (27.0).

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**: Did you know that the all-time leader in World Series games played at four positions are Hall of Fame members?...**Yogi Berra** (C); **Frankie Frisch** (2B); **Phil Rizzuto** (SS) and **Mickey Mantle** (OF).

# TODAY'S GAME ERA VOTE ON DECK

Five former big league players, three executives and two managers were named Oct. 3 to the Hall of Fame's Today's Game Era Ballot...The 10 finalists on the 2017 Today's Game Era Ballot include: **Harold Baines, Albert Belle, Will Clark, Orel Hershiser, Davey Johnson, Mark McGwire, Lou Piniella, John Schuerholz, Bud Selig** and **George Steinbrenner**. Baines, Belle, Clark, Hershiser and McGwire are included for their contributions as players, while Johnson and Piniella are included for their work as managers and Schuerholz, Selig and Steinbrenner are inclusions for their off-field careers...All candidates except for Steinbrenner are living...Any candidate to receive votes on 75 percent of the ballots cast by the 16-member Today's Game Era Committee will earn election to the National Baseball Hall of Fame and will be inducted in Cooperstown on July 30, 2017, along with any electees who emerge from the 2017 Baseball Writers' Association of America election, to be announced on Jan. 18, 2017...Members of the Today's Game Era Committee will be announced later this fall.

**WHO'S ELIGIBLE**: The Today's Game Era covers candidates among managers, umpires, executives and long-retired players whose most significant career impact was realized from 1988 through the present day...Eligible candidates include: Players who played in at least 10 major league seasons, who are not on Major League Baseball's ineligible list, and have been retired for 15 or more seasons; 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.

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**THE BBWAA HISTORICIAL OVERVIEW COMMITTEE:** The Today's Game Era ballot was determined this fall by the Historical Overview Committee, comprised of 11 veteran historians: **Bob Elliott** (*Toronto Sun*); **Jim Henneman** (formerly *Baltimore Sun*); **Rick Hummel** (*St. Louis Post-Dispatch*); **Steve Hirdt** (*Elias Sports Bureau*); **Bill Madden** (formerly *New York Daily News*); **Jack O'Connell** (BBWAA); **Jim Reeves** (formerly *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*); **Tracy Ringolsby** (MLB.com); **Glenn Schwarz** (formerly *San Francisco Chronicle*); **Dave van Dyck** (*Chicago Tribune*); and **Mark Whicker** (*Los Angeles News Group*)...The HOC annually sets ballots for the Era Committee elections.

**FUTURE ELECTIONS**: Four eras for committee consideration have been identified following the Hall of Fame Board of Directors meeting in July: *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 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 will be 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...Eras considered for yearly induction are as follows: **2017** – Today's Game; **2018** – Modern Baseball; **2019** – Today's Game; **2020** – Modern Baseball; **2021** – Both Golden Days and Early Baseball; **2022** – Today's Game; **2023** – Modern Baseball; **2024** – Today's Game; **2025** – Modern Baseball; **2026** – Golden Days. *The Early Baseball era returns for induction consideration in 2031*.

**VETERANS VOTING HISTORY**: 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 165 individuals (96 major leaguers, 28 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 after 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...No player reached the 75 percent threshold needed for election on the post-1942 players ballot, which was comprised solely of the 64 living Hall of Famers at that time...In the fall of 2009, the managers/umpires and the executives/pioneers ballot, which was comprised solely of the 64 living Hall of Famers at that time...In the fall of 2009, the managers/umpires and the executives/pioneers ballot, which was comprised for the managers/umpires ballot...No candidate received the necessary 75 percent of the vote to earn election from the executives/pioneers ballot...No candidate received the necessary 75 percent of the vote to earn election from the executives/pioneers ballot...No the managers/umpires ballot...No the managers/umpires ballot...No candidate received the necessary 75 percent of the vote to earn election from the executives/p

<u>A NEW ERA</u>: 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 to be included with the Class of 2016.

**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.

# 2017 BBWAA ELECTION

**2017 BALLOT TO BE ANNOUNCED:** The BBWAA will announce the candidates for 2017 Hall of Fame election later this fall...Any candidate who received 5% or more of ballots cast in 2016 will return...First-year eligible candidates must have last appeared in a major league game in the 2011 season and have received support through the BBWAA's Screening Committee in order to appear on the ballot...Any candidates who receive 75% or more of votes on ballots cast will earn election to Cooperstown.

**2017 RESULTS ANNOUNCED JAN. 18:** The Hall of Fame and BBWAA will announce the results of the 2017 election on Wednesday, Jan. 18...The results will be delivered live on MLB Network by Hall of Fame President Jeff Idelson and will also be released on the respective websites of the two organizations, <u>baseballhall.org</u> and <u>bbwaa.com</u>.

# **BBWAA BALLOTING RECAP**

**THE 2016 BALLOT:** The BBWAA ballot featured 32 players, including 15 new candidates and 17 returnees...Candidates appearing on the necessary 75 percent of all ballots cast to earn election appear in bold below...Candidates receiving less than five percent of the vote are no longer eligible for BBWAA consideration and appear in italics below...Fifteen players will return for consideration in 2017...A total of 440 votes were cast, with 330 votes necessary for election and 22 votes necessary to remain on the ballot...Ken Griffey Jr. became the 51<sup>st</sup> player elected to the Hall on his first BBWAA ballot and set a new record by receiving 99.32 percent of the overall vote...Alan Trammell received 40.9 percent of the vote, and Mark McGwire received 12.3 percent in their final years of eligibility on the BBWAA ballot...The final results, in order of percentage received with number of years on the ballot:

NAME	YR	2016	NAME	YR	2016	NAME	YR	2016
Ken Griffey Jr.	1	99.3%	Fred McGriff	7	20.9%	Garret Anderson	1	0.2%
Mike Piazza	4	83.0%	Jeff Kent	3	16.6%	Brad Ausmus	1	0.0%
Jeff Bagwell	6	71.6%	Larry Walker	6	15.5%	Luis Castillo	1	0.0%
Tim Raines	9	69.8%	Mark McGwire	10	12.3%	Troy Glaus	1	0.0%
Trevor Hoffman	1	67.3%	Gary Sheffield	2	11.6%	Mark Grudzielanek	1	0.0%
Curt Schilling	4	52.3%	Billy Wagner	1	10.5%	Mike Hampton	1	0.0%
Roger Clemens	4	45.2%	Sammy Sosa	4	7.0%	Mike Lowell	1	0.0%
Barry Bonds	4	44.3%	Jim Edmonds	1	2.5%	Randy Winn	1	0.0%
Edgar Martínez	7	43.4%	Nomar Garciaparra	2	1.8%			
Mike Mussina	3	43.0%	Mike Sweeney	1	0.7%			
Alan Trammell	15	40.9%	David Eckstein	1	0.5%			
Lee Smith	14	34.1%	Jason Kendall	1	0.5%			

**THE VOTING ELECTORATE:** Of the 472 Hall of Fame ballots distributed to BBWAA voters for the 2016 election, 440 (93.2 percent) were returned...The most ballots ever cast in one BBWAA Hall of Fame election came in 2011 with 581...The last time a BBWAA Hall of Fame election featured fewer than 500 votes was in 2000 when 499 votes were cast...The last time as few as 440 votes were cast was in 1993 when 423 votes were cast...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:** 2016 marked the 72nd Hall of Fame election held by the BBWAA...Starting in 1936, the BBWAA has elected someone 64 times and on eight occasions it did not elect anyone (1945, 1946, 1950, 1958, 1960, 1971, 1996, 2013)...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 72 elections...As quantified in the chart below, the BBWAA has voted in either one or two players more than any other quantity (26 times).

ELECTED	TIMES	LAST	CLASS
5	1	1936	Cobb, Johnson, Mathewson, Ruth, Wagner
4	3	2015	Biggio, Johnson, Martínez, Smoltz
3	8	2014	Glavine, Maddux, Thomas
2	26	2016	Griffey Jr., Piazza
1	26	2012	Larkin
0	8	2013	

**<u>RULES FOR ELECTION</u>**: Voting criteria for BBWAA electors can be found at <u>http://baseballhall.org/hall-famers/rules-election/bbwaa</u>...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 ALL-TIME GREATS:** The Hall of Fame is comprised of 312 elected members...Included are 217 former major league players, 28 executives, 35 Negro Leaguers, 22 managers and 10 umpires...The BBWAA has elected 121 candidates to the Hall while the veterans committees (in all forms) have chosen 165 deserving candidates (96 major leaguers, 28 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...There are currently 69 living members.

**LIVING HISTORY:** There are 69 living members of the Hall of Fame...The all-time mark for the most living members ever at any one point in history since elections began in 1936 is 70, reached in both early 2015 and 2016.

**69 AMBASSADORS**: The 69 living members of the Hall of Fame are: Hank Aaron, Roberto Alomar, Luis Aparicio, Johnny Bench, Craig Biggio, Bert Blyleven, Wade Boggs, George Brett, Lou Brock, Jim Bunning, Rod Carew, Steve Carlton, Orlando Cepeda, Bobby Cox, Andre Dawson, Bobby Doerr, Dennis Eckersley, Rollie Fingers, Carlton Fisk, Whitey Ford, Bob Gibson, Pat Gillick, Tom Glavine, Goose Gossage, Ken Griffey Jr., Doug Harvey, Rickey Henderson, Whitey Herzog, Reggie Jackson, Ferguson Jenkins, Randy Johnson, Al Kaline, Sandy Koufax, Barry Larkin, Tony La Russa, Tom Lasorda, Greg Maddux, Juan Marichal, Pedro Martínez, Willie Mays, Bill Mazeroski, Willie McCovey, Paul Molitor, Joe Morgan, Eddie Murray, Phil Niekro, Jim Palmer, Tony Pérez, Gaylord Perry, Mike Piazza, Jim Rice, Cal Ripken, Brooks Robinson, Frank Robinson, Nolan Ryan, Ryne Sandberg, Mike Schmidt, Red Schoendienst, Tom Seaver, Ozzie Smith, John Smoltz, Bruce Sutter, Don Sutton, Frank Thomas, Joe Torre, Billy Williams, Dave Winfield, Carl Yastrzemski and Robin Yount.

**<u>CONNECTING GENERATIONS</u>**: At 98, Bobby Doerr is the oldest living Hall of Famer in history, having surpassed Al Lopez (97 years, 71 days) on June 18, 2015...Doerr was born on April 7, 1918, while World War I was still raging around the globe...Pedro Martínez, who was born on Oct. 25, 1971, is the youngest living Hall of Famer at 45 years of age.

**<u>BETWEEN THE LINES</u>**: Including Negro League players, the following is a breakdown by position of the 246 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 parenthesis indicate Hall of Famers elected by the BBWAA at each position.

Pitchers	<b>Second Baseman</b> 21 (11) <b>Third Baseman</b> 16 (6) <b>Shortstops</b> 24 (11)	Left Fielders21 (11) Center Fielders24 (8) Right Fielders24 (13)
<b>Designated Hitter</b> 1 (1)	DH: Thomas (2014)	Night Flenters
PITCHER: Johnson, Martínez, Smoltz (2015) CATCHER: Piazza (2016) FIRST BASE: Murray (2003)	SECOND BASE: Biggio (2015) THIRD BASE: White (2013) SHORTSTOP: Larkin (2012)	LEFT FIELD: Henderson, Rice (2009) CENTER FIELD: Griffey Jr. (2016) RIGHT FIELD: Dawson (2010)

**FIRST THINGS FIRST**: With the election of Ken Griffey Jr., 51 players have now been elected in their first year of eligibility (16 pitchers, seven RF, six LF, five CF, five SS, five 3B, three 2B, two 1B, one DH and one catcher; position based on where electee played the majority of his big league games)...In 10 of the last 16 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 50.

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

**TRY AND TRY AGAIN**: The 68 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 68 non-first year BBWAA electees: **2nd election** (Alomar, Berra, Fingers, Fisk, Ford, Lajoie, Speaker, Young); **3rd election** (Alexander, Biggio, Grove, 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, Gehringer, P.Waner, B.Williams); **7th election** (Boudreau, Cronin, Dickey, Drysdale, Lyons, Simmons); **11th election** (Snider); **12th election** (Dean, Hartnett, Heilmann, Lemon); **13th election** (Kiner, Sutter); **14th election** (Blyleven, Maranville, Terry); **15th election** (Rice, Ruffing); **16<sup>th</sup> election** (Vance).

**ONE-TEAM WONDERS**: There are 49 Hall of Famers who spent their entire career with one team...2015 inductee Craig Biggio is the most recent addition to that list...The others: Luke Appling, Ernie Banks, Johnny Bench, 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, Walter Johnson, Addie Joss, Al Kaline, Sandy Koufax, Barry Larkin, Bob Lemon, Ted Lyons, Mickey Mantle, Bill Mazeroski, Bid McPhee, Stan Musial, Mel Ott, Jim Palmer, Kirby Puckett, Pee Wee Reese, Jim Rice, Cal Ripken, Phil Rizzuto, Brooks Robinson, Jackie Robinson, Mike Schmidt, Willie Stargell, Pie Traynor, Bill Terry, Ted Williams, Carl Yastrzemski, Ross Youngs and Robin Yount.

**<u>NINE TENTHS OF THE LAW</u>**: No individual has been elected to the Hall of Fame by the BBWAA as a unanimous choice, though there have been many close calls....Ken Griffey Jr. became the 31<sup>st</sup> player to earn at least 90 percent of the BBWAA vote in any one election...Griffey, who received 99.32% of the vote in 2016, set a record for highest vote percentage received in a BBWAA election...The 31 players with at least 90% of votes cast in their favor:

YEAR	PLAYER	BALLOTS CAST	<b>VOTES RECEIVED</b>	% RECEIVED	OMITTED BALLOTS
2016	Ken Griffey Jr.			99.32%	3
1999	Nolan Ryan				6
2007	Cal Ripken				8
1936	Ty Cobb				4
1999	George Brett				9
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2007	Tony Gwynn				
2015	Randy Johnson .				15
2014	Greg Maddux				16
1989	Johnny Bench				16
1936	Honus Wagner				11
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2009	Rickey Henders	on539		94.81%	
1993	Reggie Jackson.				27
					20
					23
	Jim Palmer				
2005	Wade Boggs				
1936	Christy Mathew	son 226			21
2011	Roberto Alomar				

# HALL OF FAME WEEKEND RECAP

The induction of Class of 2016 members **Ken Griffey Jr.** and **Mike Piazza** brings the total number of Hall of Famers to 312, including 69 living members...Award winners **Graham McNamee** (Ford C. Frick Award for broadcast excellence) and **Dan Shaughnessy** (J.G. Taylor Spink Award for writing) were honored at the July 23 Awards Presentation at Doubleday Field.

<u>A STAGE FILLED WITH HEROES</u>: Fifty of the 69 living Hall of Famers attended the July 24 Induction Ceremony at the Clark Sports Center:

Luis Aparicio	Carlton Fisk	Tommy Lasorda	Ozzie Smith
Johnny Bench	Whitey Ford	Juan Marichal	John Smoltz
Craig Biggio	Pat Gillick	Pedro Martínez	Bruce Sutter
Bert Blyleven	Tom Glavine	Eddie Murray	Frank Thomas
Wade Boggs	Goose Gossage	Phil Niekro	Joe Torre
George Brett	Ken Griffey Jr.	Jim Palmer	Billy Williams
Jim Bunning	Rickey Henderson	Tony Pérez	Dave Winfield
Rod Carew	Reggie Jackson	Gaylord Perry	Robin Yount
Steve Carlton	Fergie Jenkins	Mike Piazza	
Orlando Cepeda	Randy Johnson	Jim Rice	
Bobby Cox	Al Kaline	Cal Ripken	
Andre Dawson	Sandy Koufax	Brooks Robinson	
Dennis Eckersley	Tony La Russa	Ryne Sandberg	
Rollie Fingers	Barry Larkin	Mike Schmidt	

**<u>COME ONE, COME ALL</u>**: An estimated crowd of 50,000 fans attended the July 24 Induction Ceremony, the second-highest total in the history of the event...In 2007, an estimated 82,000 fans packed Cooperstown, honoring the Hall of Fame induction of Cal Ripken Jr. and Tony Gwynn and setting a Hall of Fame Weekend attendance record...Following 2007, the top eight estimated crowds for Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies: 50,000 (**1999 and 2016**); 48,000 (**2014**); 45,000 (**2015**); 40,000 (**1995**); 27,000 (**2001** and **2005**); and 25,000 (**2000**)... In the last three Induction Ceremonies, the average estimated attendance has been 47,667.

**THE KID COMES TO COOPERSTOWN:** The first No. 1 overall pick in the MLB Draft to be elected to the Hall of Fame, Ken Griffey Jr. lived up to expectations by becoming one of the best all-around players in the game's history...Born on Hall of Famer Stan Musial's birthday in Musial's hometown of Donora, Pa., Griffey followed his father, Ken Griffey Sr., to the big leagues...He quickly revived the Mariners franchise with power at the plate, grace in center field and charisma that sparkled throughout the baseball world...By the end of his 22-year big league career, Griffey had totaled 630 home runs, 13 All-Star Game selections, 10 Gold Glove Awards and the 1997 American League MVP Award.

**<u>CATCHING UP:</u>** Making his way from a  $62^{nd}$  round draft pick to Cooperstown, Mike Piazza traveled a road none had taken...By the time he retired, Piazza could lay claim to being one of the greatest hitting catchers in history...Piazza burst on the scene in 1993, winning National League Rookie of the Year honors after hitting .318 with 35 home runs and 112 RBI...After five stellar seasons with the Dodgers that included two runner-up finishes in the NL Most Valuable Player Award voting, Piazza was traded to the Marlins and then to the Mets, where he led New York to the 2000 National League pennant...In 16 big league seasons, Piazza hit 427 home runs – including a record 396 as a catcher...He was named to 12 All-Star Games and won 10 Silver Slugger Awards.

**BOOK NOW FOR FUTURE WEEKENDS:** Hall of Fame Weekend is typically scheduled for the last weekend in July, though there are exceptions...The 2017 Induction Weekend is scheduled for July 28-31, with the Induction on July 30...Induction Weekend 2018 is scheduled for July 27-30, with the Induction on July 29...Induction Day in 2019 will be July 20, and Induction Day in 2020 will be July 26...A partial list of eligible first-time players for upcoming Hall of Fame elections includes: **2017**: Vladimir Guerrero, Jorge Posada, Manny Ramírez, Ivan Rodríguez; **2018**: Chipper Jones, Hideki Matsui, Jim Thome, Omar Vizquel; **2019**: Roy Halladay, Todd Helton, Andy Pettitte, Mariano Rivera; **2020**: Bobby Abreu, Derek Jeter, Paul Konerko, Alfonso Soriano; **2021**: Mark Buehrle, A.J. Burnett. Tim Hudson, Torii Hunter, Aramis Ramírez; **2022**: Prince Fielder, David Ortiz, Mark Teixeira.

## 2016 AWARD WINNERS

Graham McNamee, winner of the 2016 Ford C. Frick Award for broadcasters, and Dan Shaughnessy, the 2016 winner of the Baseball Writers' Association of America's J.G. Taylor Spink Award, were honored at the 2016 Hall of Fame *Awards Presentation* on Saturday, July 23 at Doubleday Field in Cooperstown.

**BOSTON STRONG:** *Boston Globe* sports columnist Dan Shaughnessy, who has been a major voice on baseball in New England and nationally for 35 years, was elected the 2016 winner of the J.G. Taylor Spink Award in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America...Shaughnessy, born July 20, 1953 in Groton, Mass., began his career with the *Baltimore Evening Sun* in 1977 and then took a role as a national baseball writer for the *Washington Star* before settling in with the *Globe* in 1986...The Holy Cross graduate has covered more than 35 spring trainings and 25 World Series...He has also written 12 books, including nine on baseball, most notably "Curse of the Bambino"...Shaughnessy also popularized the phrase, "Red Sox Nation" which took on special meaning during the team's storybook run to the 2004 World Series championship, marking the franchise's first title in 86 years...Through his columns, Shaughnessy has taken on owners, front offices, managers, coaches and players alike in pertinent issues through good times and bad with the Red Sox...He was the last writer to interview Hall of Famer Ted Williams before the legend's passing in 2002...Shaughnessy becomes the fifth Boston-based writer to be honored, joining Harold Kaese and Tim Murnane, plus his former *Globe* colleagues Peter Gammons and Larry Whiteside...Shaughnessy is the 67<sup>th</sup> winner of the Spink Award.

**RADIO'S FIRST SUPERSTAR:** Graham McNamee, whose national play-by-play of the World Series in the earliest days of radio transformed the one-time opera singer into a household name, was selected as the 2016 recipient of the Ford C. Frick Award, presented annually for excellence in broadcasting by the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum...Born July 10, 1888 in Washington, D.C. and raised in St. Paul, Minn., McNamee aspired to be an opera singer...But during a lunch break from jury duty in 1923, McNamee strolled into radio station WEAF in New York City and auditioned for a job as an announcer...The station was impressed with his diction and voice and hired him...When the 1923 World Series arrived featuring the Yankees and the Giants, McNamee was paired with legendary sportswriter Grantland Rice on the air – and quickly demonstrated a knack for entertaining reportage of the games...McNamee's work at the World Series vaulted him to the head of the class of announcers in the fledgling world of national radio broadcasts...He helped establish NBC's role at major events, calling auto races, boxing matches, political conventions and the return of Charles Lindbergh from his transatlantic flight in 1927...Just like Lindbergh, McNamee was featured on the cover of *Time* magazine for his exploits in 1927...But it was through baseball games where McNamee reached his greatest audience...He called the World Series each year from 1923 through 1934 and also worked the first four MLB All-Star Games from 1933 through 1936...McNamee passed away in 1942 at the age of 53...He is the 40<sup>th</sup> winner of the First Award.

## MUSEUM LAUNCHES ONLINE DIGITAL ARCHIVE

The Hall of Fame Digital Archive Project launched on Sept. 7 with 25 volumes of 10 different Babe Ruth Scrapbooks in the collection available online for the first time...These one-of-a-kind scrapbooks, created by Ruth's agent Christy Walsh, provide a unique look at Ruth's career through letters, stories and photographs, and give a glimpse at the authentic Babe Ruth...Additional digitized material including photos, audio, video and text - from the Museum collection will be published regularly as the Museum adds to the PASTIME (Public Archive System To Interact with the Museum Electronically) online collection, which is available at http://collection.baseballhall.org...The next drop will occur on Nov. 2 with material available pertaining to historic baseball world tours...Many of these materials will be available to the public for the first time, allowing fans to browse the Museum collection as they plan their visit to the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum, or continue their exploration of baseball history after they tour the Museum...With more than three million Library items, a quarter of a million unique images and 40,000 three-dimensional artifacts representing baseball's illustrious history, the Museum preserves an immense physical collection that brings baseball history to life...Through the Hall of Fame Digital Archive Project, the Museum, over the next several years, will continue to digitize its collections and Library archive, making PASTIME the online resource for baseball history...The goal of the Project is to provide online access to the precious artifacts and documents that are preserved in Cooperstown for fans and researchers around the globe, while ensuring that they are digitally archived for future generations of fans...PASTIME will become the online portal for fans and students of the game to relive baseball's greatest moments through the Museum's collection...The PASTIME digital asset management system has been developed based on open source standards that will be made available so that other cultural institutions can benefit from this leap forward in digital artifact preservation...Museums and educational institutions around the world will have access to this system built by the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum.

## **MUSEUM NEWS FROM COOPERSTOWN**

COMING TO COOPERSTOWN: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum has already received many treasures from the 2016 season, including: Batting gloves and batting helmet worn by the Rockies' Trevor Story April 4-6 when he hit four home runs in his first three big league games to set a new mark...A "Smart Bat" used by Angels outfielder Mike Trout during Spring Training, created by Zepp Labs, designed to evaluate swing and measure data generated in performance...The cap worn by umpire Ramon De Jesus when he became the first native of the Dominican Republic to umpire an MLB game on April 22 at Comerica Park in Detroit...The spikes worn by the Marlins' Ichiro Suzuki when he recorded his 500<sup>th</sup> career stolen base on April 29 against the Brewers...The cap worn by the Nationals' Max Scherzer, along with a game-used ball and the game's rosin bag, from his May 11 nohitter against the Tigers...The spikes worn by the Yankees' Carlos Beltran when he hit his 400th career home run on May 15 against the White Sox...The bat used by the Rangers' Adrian Beltre when he recorded his 1,500<sup>th</sup> career RBI on May 28 against the Pirates... Batting helmet and batting gloves worn by the Braves' Freddie Freeman when he hit for the cycle against the Reds on June 15...The "W" flag flown over Wrigley Field from the Cubs' 4-3 win over the Pirates on June 18...The cap worn by the Marlins' Christian Yelich on July 3 when the Marlins defeated the Braves 5-2 in a game at Fort Bragg, and a base used in that game...The bat used by Red Sox minor leaguer Yoan Moncada when he went 2-for-5 with a single, homer and stolen base to win the game's MVP as the World Team defeated Team USA 11-3 in the All-Star Futures Game on July 10 in San Diego...The spikes worn by the Red Sox's David Ortiz during batting practice at the July 12 All-Star Game...The bat used by the Yankees' Mark Teixeira to hit his 400<sup>th</sup> career home run on July 3 against the Padres...The bat used by All-Star Game MVP Eric Hosmer of the Royals on July 12 in San Diego...The jersey, spikes, batting gloves, wrist bands, elbow guard and socks used by the Marlins' Ichiro Suzuki when he recorded his 3,000<sup>th</sup> MLB hit on Aug. 7...The bat used by the Giants' Brandon Crawford when he recorded seven hits against the Marlins on Aug. 8... The bats used by the Yankees' Tyler Austin and Aaron Judge to hit back-to-back home runs on Aug. 13 against the Rays, becoming the first pair of teammates to hit their first big league home runs in their first big league at-bats in the same game...Jersey worn by the Braves' Dansby Swanson on Aug. 18 against the Nationals, featuring a patch commemorating the final season of Turner Field...A home game jersey worn by the Red Sox's Mookie Betts against the Orioles on Sept. 13...The spikes worn by the Angels' Albert Pujols when he hit his 600th career double Sept. 16... The catcher's mask worn by Athletics bullpen catcher Phil Pohl, a Cooperstown native, throughout the 2016 season... The bat used by the Pirates' John Jaso when he hit for the cycle against the Cubs on Sept. 28...A baseball used during the Oct. 2 Red Sox vs. Blue Jays game at Fenway Park, featuring a special logo honoring David Ortiz in his last regular season game...A sliding mitt used by the Pirates' Starling Marte during the 2016 season...The helmet worn by Matt Holliday of the Cardinals on Sept. 30 when he returned from the disabled list with an emotional pinch-hit home run against the Pirates...A bat used by Indians minor leaguer Francisco Mejia during his 50-game hitting streak for Lake County and Lynchburg this summer...The jersey worn by the Twins' Brian Dozier on Sept. 22 when he set a new American League record with his 40<sup>th</sup> homer of the season as a second baseman...And a cap worn by the Orioles' Zach Britton during 2016 home games, the last one coming on Sept. 25 against the Diamondbacks when he recorded his 46<sup>th</sup> save en route to 47 saves in 47 chances for the season.

## COOPERSTOWN CONNECTION

**TRICK OR TREAT**: The baseball ghosts will come alive for one special afternoon in Cooperstown...The Museum will host local trick-or-treaters with free admission from 3:30-5 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 31 for children in costume and their parents and/or guardians...Take a trip in time through the Plaque Gallery as Hall of Fame employees dressed in old-fashioned baseball uniforms and holiday costumes will pass out candy before the annual Halloween Parade on Cooperstown's idyllic Main St...Treats will be provided through the support of Price Chopper Supermarkets...For more information, visit our website at <a href="http://www.baseballhall.org/events">http://www.baseballhall.org/events</a>.

**VIP TREATMENT:** Fans have the opportunity to explore the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum through a special program designed to give Cooperstown visitors a Hall of Fame VIP Experience...The Museum has partnered with Cooperstown accommodations to offer this unique package, which includes behind-the-scenes experiences at the Museum...This special package is only available through participating accommodations...Your VIP Experience will begin with exclusive after-hours access to the Hall of Fame on Thursday evening and wrap up on Friday with a private reception...Upcoming dates include Nov. 17-18 and March 23-24...For more information, please visit <u>www.baseballhall.org/visit/vip-experience</u> or call 607-547-0397.

**TIME TO VISIT**: The Museum is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily through Memorial Day Weekend, when summer hours begin...The Museum is open every day of the year, except for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day...Ticket prices are \$23 for adults (13 and over), \$15 for seniors (65 and over) and for those holding current memberships in the VFW, Disabled American Veterans, American Legion and AMVets organizations, and \$12 for juniors (ages 7-12)...Members 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 <u>www.baseballhall.org</u> or call 888-HALL-OF-FAME (888-425-5633) or 607-547-7200.