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With the election of **Derek Jeter** and **Larry Walker** by the Baseball Writers' Association of America, the Class of 2020 is now set at the Baseball Hall of Fame... The two BBWAA electees will be inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame at 1:30 p.m. ET on Sunday, July 26 on the grounds of the Clark Sports Center in Cooperstown along with Modern Baseball Era electees Marvin Miller and Ted Simmons, who were elected in December... 2020 Ford C. Frick Award winner Ken Harrelson and 2020 Spink Award winner Nick Cafardo will be honored during Induction Weekend at the *Awards Presentation* on Saturday, July 25 in Cooperstown.

**MEET THE ELECTEE(S):** A press conference with 2020 BBWAA electees Derek Jeter and Larry Walker and Hall of Fame officials will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22 at the St. Regis Hotel in New York City... **CREDENTIALS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND THE PRESS CONFERENCE** and the press conference is open only to working media members... **PLEASE RSVP TO HALL OF FAME DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS CRAIG MUDER AT [cmuder@baseballhall.org](mailto:cmuder@baseballhall.org)**... The press conference will be televised live on MLB Network.

**THE 2020 BALLOT:** The BBWAA ballot featured 32 players, including 18 new candidates and 14 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... Fourteen players will return for consideration in 2021... A total of 397 votes were cast, with 298 votes necessary for election and 20 votes necessary to remain on the ballot... Derek Jeter became the 57<sup>th</sup> player elected to the Hall on his first BBWAA ballot... Larry Walker became the sixth player elected to the Hall in his final year eligible on the BBWAA ballot... The final results, in order of percentage received with number of years on the ballot:

| NAME                | YR        | 2020         | NAME                   | YR | 2020  | NAME                 | YR | 2020 |
|---------------------|-----------|--------------|------------------------|----|-------|----------------------|----|------|
| <b>Derek Jeter</b>  | <b>1</b>  | <b>99.7%</b> | Andruw Jones           | 3  | 19.4% | <i>J.J. Putz</i>     | 1  | 0.3% |
| <b>Larry Walker</b> | <b>10</b> | <b>76.6%</b> | Sammy Sosa             | 8  | 13.9% | <i>Josh Beckett</i>  | 1  | 0.0% |
| Curt Schilling      | 8         | 70.0%        | Andy Pettitte          | 2  | 11.3% | <i>Heath Bell</i>    | 1  | 0.0% |
| Roger Clemens       | 8         | 61.0%        | Bobby Abreu            | 1  | 5.5%  | <i>Chone Figgins</i> | 1  | 0.0% |
| Barry Bonds         | 8         | 60.7%        | <i>Paul Konerko</i>    | 1  | 2.5%  | <i>Rafael Furcal</i> | 1  | 0.0% |
| Omar Vizquel        | 3         | 52.6%        | <i>Jason Giambi</i>    | 1  | 1.5%  | <i>Carlos Peña</i>   | 1  | 0.0% |
| Scott Rolen         | 3         | 35.3%        | <i>Alfonso Soriano</i> | 1  | 1.5%  | <i>Brian Roberts</i> | 1  | 0.0% |
| Billy Wagner        | 5         | 31.7%        | <i>Eric Chávez</i>     | 1  | 0.5%  | <i>José Valverde</i> | 1  | 0.0% |
| Gary Sheffield      | 6         | 30.5%        | <i>Cliff Lee</i>       | 1  | 0.5%  |                      |    |      |
| Todd Helton         | 2         | 29.2%        | <i>Adam Dunn</i>       | 1  | 0.3%  |                      |    |      |
| Manny Ramírez       | 4         | 28.2%        | <i>Raúl Ibañez</i>     | 1  | 0.3%  |                      |    |      |
| Jeff Kent           | 7         | 27.5%        | <i>Brad Penny</i>      | 1  | 0.3%  |                      |    |      |

**THE VOTING ELECTORATE:** Of the 409 Hall of Fame ballots distributed to BBWAA voters for the 2020 election, 397 were returned, a return rate of 97.1 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.

**CREDIT AN ASSIST:** Thanks to the firm of Ernst and Young for its assistance in verifying the vote, year-in and year-out.

**CAREFUL SELECTION:** 2020 marked the 76<sup>th</sup> Hall of Fame election held by the BBWAA...Starting in 1936, the BBWAA has elected someone 68 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 76 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       | 8     | 2013 | ----                                   |

**20/20 VISION:** With the election of Derek Jeter and Larry Walker, the BBWAA has 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 marks the first time the BBWAA has elected two-or-more candidates in seven consecutive years.

**57 AT FIRST:** The election of Derek Jeter brings the total of first-year BBWAA inductees to 57 and marks the seventh straight year with at least one first-ballot inductee, the first such stretch since a run of eight straight years from 1988-95.

**YANKEES TOP THE LIST:** Derek Jeter’s election gives the Yankees 21 players in the Hall of Fame, breaking a tie with the New York Giants for most Hall of Fame players...For that list, games played was the deciding factor for position players to suit up for more than one club; for pitchers, games won was the yardstick used...Using that criteria, Yankees players in the Hall of Fame include: Yogi Berra, Jack Chesbro, Earle Combs, Bill Dickey, Joe DiMaggio, Whitey Ford, Lou Gehrig, Lefty Gomez, Joe Gordon, Goose Gossage, Waite Hoyt, Derek Jeter, Willie Keeler, Tony Lazzeri, Mickey Mantle, Herb Pennock, Mariano Rivera, Phil Rizzuto, Red Ruffing, Babe Ruth and Dave Winfield.

**ONE AND ONLY:** Derek Jeter is the ninth Yankees player elected to the Hall of Fame who spent his entire career with the Yankees...Fifty-five Hall of Famers spent their entire career with one team, and no other team besides the Yankees has more than five Hall of Famers who played their entire career with the same franchise.

**KEEP ON WALKING:** Larry Walker received 10.2 percent of the BBWAA vote in his fourth year on the ballot in 2014...He is the first player elected by the BBWAA who received less than 12 percent of the vote in any election during his candidacy since Bob Lemon, who was elected in 1976 and received 11.9 percent of the vote in his first year eligible in 1964.

**NORTH OF THE BORDER:** Larry Walker, a native of Maple Ridge, British Columbia, becomes the second Canadian elected to the Hall of Fame...Ferguson Jenkins, a native of Chatham, Ontario, was elected in 1991.

**FINAL ANSWER:** Larry Walker becomes the seventh player elected to the Hall of Fame by the BBWAA in his final year of eligibility, joining Red Ruffing (1967), Joe Medwick (1968), Ralph Kiner (1975), Jim Rice (2009), Tim Lincecum (2017) and Edgar Martinez (2019).

**TEAMING UP:** With Larry Walker’s election, each of the current 30 MLB teams have featured a Hall of Famer on their roster at some point...Prior to the 2020 BBWAA election, the Rockies were the only team that never had a future Hall of Famer appear in a regular season game.

**HIGH JUMP:** Larry Walker added 22 points to his 2020 voting percentage from his 2019 voting percentage...The Top 5 jumps in BBWAA voting history among players elected to the Hall of Fame in that year, compared to their previous year’s percentage: Frankie Frisch: 59 percent jump from 1946-47; Carl Hubbell: 58.5 percent jump from 1946-47; Mickey Cochrane: 54.8 percent jump from 1946-47; Lefty Grove: 53.2 percent jump from 1946-47; Cy Young: 27 percent jump from 1936-37.

**CAPTAIN FANTASTIC:** Derek Jeter played 20 seasons, all for the New York Yankees, and led the Yankees to five World Series titles, winning World Series MVP honors in 2000...He was named 1996 American League Rookie of the Year after hitting .314, scoring 104 runs and helping Yankees win their first World Series title in 18 seasons...A 14-time All-Star who finished in the Top 10 of the AL Most Valuable Player voting eight times, Jeter was named 2000 All-Star Game Most Valuable Player...He led the American League in hits twice (1999, 2012) and runs scored once (1998)...A five-time Gold Glove Award winner at shortstop, Jeter never played a position other than short in his 2,674 games in the field, which ranks second all-time among shortstops...Jeter was named eighth captain in Yankees history in 2003...He scored 100-or-more runs 13 times, hit .300-or-better 12 times and stole 30-or-more bases four times...Jeter reached the 200-hit plateau in eight seasons, third-most such seasons all time and the most of any shortstop...Jeter ranks sixth all-time in hits (3,465), seventh in at-bats (11,195), 11th in runs scored (1,923), 23rd in total bases (4,921), 29th in games played (2,747) and 35th in doubles (544)...He appeared in 33 Postseason series over 16 seasons, the most Postseason series of any player in history...Over a record 158 Postseason games, he hit .308 with 111 runs scored, 200 hits, 32 doubles, 20 homers, 61 RBI and 66 walks.

**HELLO LARRY:** Larry Walker played 17 seasons for the Expos, Rockies and Cardinals...A seven-time Gold Glove Award winner in right field and a five-time All-Star, Walker won three National League batting titles and led the NL in on-base percentage twice and slugging percentage twice... Walker’s .565 career mark ranks 12<sup>th</sup> all-time and his career OPS of .965 ranks 15<sup>th</sup> all-time... Walker won 1997 National League Most Valuable Player Award, hitting .366 with NL-leading totals in home runs (49), total bases (409, the 18th-best single-season total in history), on-base percentage (.452) and slugging percentage (.720)... Walker won three Silver Slugger Awards as an outfielder...He posted 30-homer/30-steal season in 1997 with 49 home runs and 33 stolen bases, becoming just the 14th different NL player to reach that milestone...Walker drove in at least 100 runs in five seasons, hit better than .300 in nine seasons and scored 100-or-more runs in four seasons... Walker is one of four players in history – along with Hank Aaron, George Brett and Willie Mays – with at least a .300 batting average, 300 home runs and 200 stolen bases.

**NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE:** A partial list of eligible first-time players for upcoming Hall of Fame elections includes: **2021:** Tim Hudson, Torii Hunter, Aramis Ramirez, Barry Zito; **2022:** Prince Fielder, David Ortiz, Alex Rodríguez, Mark Teixeira; **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.

**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 235 former major league players, 31 executives, 35 Negro Leaguers, 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...There are currently 82 living members, the most at any point in Hall of Fame history.

**82 AMBASSADORS:** The 82 living members of the Hall of Fame are: Henry Aaron, Roberto Alomar, Luis Aparicio, Jeff Bagwell, Harold Baines, Johnny Bench, Craig Biggio, Bert Blyleven, Wade Boggs, George Brett, Lou Brock, Rod Carew, Steve Carlton, Orlando Cepeda, Bobby Cox, Andre Dawson, Dennis Eckersley, Rollie Fingers, Carlton Fisk, Whitey Ford, Bob Gibson, 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, Al Kaline, Sandy Koufax, Barry Larkin, Tony La Russa, Tom Lasorda, Greg Maddux, Juan Marichal, Edgar Martinez, Pedro Martínez, Willie Mays, Bill Mazeroski, Paul Molitor, Joe Morgan, Jack Morris, Eddie Murray, Mike Mussina, Phil Niekro, 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, Tom Seaver, Bud Selig, Ted Simmons, Lee Smith, Ozzie Smith, John Smoltz, Bruce Sutter, Don Sutton, Frank Thomas, Jim Thome, Joe Torre, Alan Trammell, Larry Walker, Billy Williams, Dave Winfield, Carl Yastrzemski and Robin Yount.

**CONNECTING GENERATIONS:** **Tommy Lasorda**, born Sept. 22, 1927, is currently the oldest living Hall of Famer at 92...**Vladimir Guerrero**, who was born on Feb. 9, 1975, is the youngest living Hall of Famer at 44 years of age.

**BETWEEN THE LINES:** Including Negro League players, the following is a breakdown by position of the 264 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.

|                                     |                                   |                                    |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Pitchers</b> ..... 83 (45)       | <b>Second Baseman</b> ..21 (11)   | <b>Left Fielders</b> .....22 (12)  |
| <b>Catchers</b> ..... 19 (10)       | <b>Third Baseman</b> ..... 17 (8) | <b>Center Fielders</b> .....24 (8) |
| <b>First Baseman</b> ..... 24 (12)  | <b>Shortstops</b> .....26 (12)    | <b>Right Fielders</b> .....26 (15) |
| <b>Designated Hitter</b> .... 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, 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, Gehringer, Mussina, P.Waner, B.Williams); **7th election** (Appling, Bagwell, Foxx); **8th election** (Pennock, Traynor, Wilhelm); **9th election** (Dawson, Gossage, Greenberg, Medwick, Perez); **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:** Derek Jeter became the 35<sup>th</sup> 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:

| <b>YEAR</b> | <b>PLAYER</b>     | <b>BALLOTS CAST</b> | <b>VOTES RECEIVED</b> | <b>% RECEIVED</b> | <b>OMITTED BALLOTS</b> |
|-------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 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, 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     |

## MODERN BASEBALL ERA COMMITTEE ELECTION

**MODERN BASEBALL ERA COMMITTEE RESULTS:** Two electees emerged from voting by the Modern Baseball Era Committee on Dec. 8 at the Winter Meetings in San Diego...**Marvin Miller**, the Executive Director of the Major League Baseball Players Association from 1966-82, and **Ted Simmons**, an eight-time All-Star catcher for the Cardinals, Brewers and Braves, each reached the 75-percent-of-the-vote threshold necessary for election...Both will be inducted at the 2020 Induction Ceremony on July 26 in Cooperstown...**RESULTS OF TODAY’S GAME ERA COMMITTEE ELECTION (12 NEEDED FOR ELECTION):** Ted Simmons (13 votes, 81.3%), Marvin Miller (12 votes, 75%), Dwight Evans (8 votes, 50%); Dave Parker (7 votes, 43.8%); Steve Garvey (6 votes, 37.5%); Lou Whitaker (6 votes, 37.5%); Tommy John, Don Mattingly, Thurman Munson and Dale Murphy each received three-or-fewer votes.

**MARVIN’S GARDENS:** Marvin Miller was elected as the head of the Major League Baseball Players Association in 1966 and quickly turned the union into a powerhouse...By 1968, he had negotiated the first collective bargaining agreement between the owners and players and increased the minimum salary by more than 40 percent...By 1970, he had secured the right to independent arbitration to resolve player grievances...Through that arbitration process, Miller won free agency for the players when Dave McNally and Andy Messersmith played out their contracts following the 1975 season...By the time Miller retired in 1982, the average player salary was approximately 20 times what it was when he took over...Miller passed away on Nov. 27, 2012.

**TED TALK:** Ted Simmons played for 21 seasons for the Cardinals, Brewers and Braves, totaling a .285 batting average, 2,472 hits, 483 doubles, 248 home runs and 1,389 RBI...An eight-time All-Star, he garnered MVP votes seven times in his career and finished among his league’s top 10 players in batting average six times...His 193 hits in 1975 are the most of any catcher who caught at least 150 games in a season, and his 192 hits in 1973 rank second on that same list...Among those who played at least 50 percent of their games at catcher, Simmons ranks second in hits, second in doubles, second in RBI and fifth in runs scored...Simmons never struck out more than 57 times in a season, and he is one of only 12 players in history with at least 240 home runs and fewer than 700 strikeouts...Simmons is one of only six catchers with at least two seasons of appearing in at least 150 games at catcher (1973, 1975), and Simmons ranked eighth all-time in games caught (1,771) at the time of his retirement.

**TRIPLE PLAY:** For the third straight year, a Hall of Fame veterans committee elected at least one living former big league player, with the election of Ted Simmons by the Modern Baseball Era Committee coming on the heels of the election of Harold Baines and Lee Smith by the Today's Game Era Committee in 2018 and Jack Morris and Alan Trammell by the Modern Baseball Era Committee in 2017...The last time a veterans committee chose at least one living former big league player in three straight years was 1984-86, when Rick Ferrell and Pee Wee Reese were elected in 1984, Enos Slaughter was elected in 1985 and Bobby Doerr was elected in 1986.

**THE MODERN BASEBALL ERA ELECTORATE:** The 16-member Modern Baseball Era electorate features Hall of Fame members **George Brett, Rod Carew, Dennis Eckersley, Eddie Murray, Ozzie Smith** and **Robin Yount**; major league executives **Sandy Alderson** (Athletics), **Dave Dombrowski, David Glass** (Royals), **Walt Jocketty** (Reds), **Doug Melvin** (Brewers) and **Terry Ryan** (Phillies); and veteran media members/historians **Bill Center, Steve Hirdt, Jack O'Connell** and **Tracy Ringolsby**...The Modern Baseball 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** (formerly Elias Sports Bureau); **Rick Hummel** (*St. Louis Post-Dispatch*); **Bill Madden** (*New York Daily News*); **Jack O'Connell** (BBWAA); **Jim Reeves** (formerly *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*); **Tracy Ringolsby** (*InsideTheSeams.com*); **Glenn Schwarz** (formerly *San Francisco Chronicle*); **Dave Van Dyck** (formerly *Chicago Tribune*); and **Mark Whicker** (*Southern California News Group*)...The HOC annually sets ballots for the Era Committee elections.

**WHO'S ELIGIBLE:** The Modern Baseball Era covers candidates among managers, umpires, executives and long-retired players whose most significant career impact was realized from 1970-87...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...Eras considered for yearly induction will be as follows: **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.*

## 2020 AWARD WINNERS

Ken Harrelson, the 2020 winner of the Ford C. Frick Award for broadcasters, and Nick Cafardo, the 2020 winner of the Baseball Writers' Association of America's J.G. Taylor Spink Award, will be honored at the 2020 Hall of Fame Awards Presentation on Saturday, July 25 in Cooperstown.

**HAWK'S PRIDE:** Ken Harrelson, who became a Chicago icon while calling White Sox games for 34 of his 43 years behind the mic, has been selected as the 2020 recipient of the Ford C. Frick Award, presented annually for excellence in broadcasting by the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum...Born Sept. 4, 1941, in Woodruff, S.C., and raised in Savannah, Ga., Harrelson was a star amateur athlete in several sports before signing with the Kansas City Athletics in 1959 following a heated bidding war...A series of deals in the 1967 season brought Harrelson to Boston, where he helped the "Impossible Dream" Red Sox win the American League pennant...In 1968, Harrelson had his best season, hitting 35 home runs to go with an AL-best 109 RBI during the Year of the Pitcher...A broken leg in Spring Training of 1970 hastened the end of his playing career, and, after a stint as a pro golfer, Harrelson turned to broadcasting...H called games on television and radio for the Red Sox from 1975-81, then moved to the White Sox in 1982...He was hired as the White Sox's general manager following the 1985 campaign, and after one season in the front office returned to the broadcast booth with the Yankees in 1987...Harrelson rejoined the White Sox's booth in 1989, remaining with the team for the next three decades before retiring after the 2018 season...A five-time Emmy Award winner, Harrelson's trademark calls of "You can put it on the board...Yes!" and "Mercy!" became the nightly soundtrack for multiple generations of White Sox fans...Harrelson is the 44<sup>th</sup> winner of the Frick Award.

**NICK OF TIME:** Nick Cafardo, whose tireless reporting and discerning writing brought Red Sox baseball to millions of New Englanders, has been named the winner of the 2020 J.G. Taylor Spink Award in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America...A Weymouth Mass., native and Suffolk University graduate, Cafardo joined the *Boston Globe* as baseball columnist in 1989 and took over the Globe's venerable Sunday notes column...The author of four baseball books and the winner of the Massachusetts Sportswriter of the Year Award in 2014, Cafardo covered the Red Sox's World Series wins in 2004, 2007, 2013 and 2018...Cafardo, who passed away while still on the job on Feb. 21, 2019, is the 71<sup>st</sup> winner of the Spink Award.

## COOPERSTOWN CONNECTION

**APPLICATIONS FOR CLASS OF 2020 INTERNS 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 2020 internship program, only a handful of weeks remain before applications are due Jan. 31...The 2020 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...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...All applications must be completed online at [baseballhall.org/intern](http://baseballhall.org/intern)...In order to complete an application, candidates must attach a cover letter and resume to the online application...Only completed applications will be reviewed for acceptance into the program...Applications must be received no later than Jan. 31, 2020...Now in its 20<sup>th</sup> year, the Frank and Peggy Steele Internship Program has welcomed more than 350 interns in its first 19 years, equipping college students with the knowledge and experience necessary to work in their field of study.

**HALL OF FAME FEATURED IN 'THE GREAT COURSES':** The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum has teamed up with The Great Courses to tell the story of baseball, which dates back hundreds of years...In 24 lectures that paint a portrait of the sport's remarkable past, taking you from the decades before the Civil War to the pivotal year of 1920, *Play Ball! The Rise of Baseball as America's Pastime* strikes a perfect balance between sports lore and cultural history...For more information, please visit [TheGreatCourses.com/BHOF](http://TheGreatCourses.com/BHOF).

**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 **March 12-13, April 16-17, Sept. 10-11** and **Nov. 5-6**...For more information, please visit [baseballhall.org/visit/vip-experience](http://baseballhall.org/visit/vip-experience) or call 607-547-0249.

**TIME TO VISIT:** The Museum resumed regular hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily on Labor Day... 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](http://www.baseballhall.org) or call or (607) 547-7200.