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# NEWS

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## AROUND THE HORN

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### START OF SOMETHING BIG

Baseball's newest stars are gearing up for the 2020 season at Spring Training camps in Arizona and Florida, but the National Baseball Hall of Fame is prepping for the game's biggest annual celebration when four legends will be inducted as the Class of 2020 this July in Cooperstown... With the election of Derek Jeter and Larry Walker by the Baseball Writers' Association of America on Jan. 21, the Class of 2020 brings the total number of BBWAA electees in the last seven elections to 22... Jeter and Walker will be inducted with Modern Baseball Era Committee electees Marvin Miller and Ted Simmons at 1:30 p.m. ET on Sunday, July 26 at the Clark Sports Center in Cooperstown... 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 at Doubleday Field in Cooperstown.

**HOF WEEKEND CREDENTIALS:** Hall of Fame Weekend 2020 will be held July 24-27 with the annual *Induction Ceremony* scheduled to take place on Sunday, July 26... The Weekend will feature the annual *Awards Presentation* at Doubleday Field on Saturday, July 25 at 4:30 p.m.... The 11<sup>th</sup> annual Hall of Fame *Parade of Legends* will follow the *Awards Presentation* along Main Street... Media credentials for Hall of Fame Weekend will be accepted starting May 1 at [credentials.mlb.com](http://credentials.mlb.com)... For more information, please visit [baseballhall.org/media-info](http://baseballhall.org/media-info).

### THE CLASS OF 2020

**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.

**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 – and the first catcher to start the All-Star Game for both the National League (1978) and the American League (1983) – 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.

**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 12th all-time and his career OPS of .965 ranks 15th 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.

## 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...He 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.

## VOTING RECAP

**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 seventh 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>	Andrew 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 who suited 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.

**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, Tommy 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 45 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, A.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:

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, 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

## HALL OF FAME CLASSIC WEEKEND, MAY 22-24

Celebrate the National Pastime with a trip to the Hall of Fame Classic this Memorial Day Weekend...The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum hosts the return of a new tradition on Saturday, May 23, with the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Hall of Fame Classic...The Hall of Fame Classic will be played on the Saturday before Memorial Day, with family-friendly activities in Cooperstown all weekend long...The Classic, which begins at 1:05 p.m., will feature representatives from all 30 big league teams as well as Hall of Famers Wade Boggs, Rollie Fingers, Goose Gossage, Fergie Jenkins, Tim Lincecum and Ozzie Smith...The full weekend of events will feature the Hall of Fame Classic Weekend Golf Tournament, the pregame Home Run Contest and the May 23 *Night at the Museum* event featuring a meet and greet with Hall of Fame Classic participants from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.... Ticket packages for the Hall of Fame Classic go on sale on March 9 for participants in the Museum’s Membership Program and March 16 for the general public...Tickets are available via phone at (607) 207-9519 and at [baseballhall.org](http://baseballhall.org)...Tickets are \$15 for grandstand seats, \$12.50 for first base seats and \$11 for outfield seats.

**A NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM:** Saturday evening, May 23, features the eighth annual edition of *Night at the Museum*...Hall of Famers and former big leaguers will meet and greet fans at the Hall of Fame from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m....A ticket is required for entrance to this event...Tickets are priced at \$50 for participants in the Museum’s Membership Program and \$100 for non-Members... For information on Museum Membership, please visit [baseballhall.org/join](http://baseballhall.org/join).

**GOLF CLASSIC:** The Hall of Fame is giving fans yet another reason to return to baseball’s home as the Museum presents the annual Hall of Fame Classic Weekend Golf Tournament...Hall of Fame legends will team up with fans for an experience of a lifetime at picturesque Leatherstocking Golf Course in Cooperstown on Sunday, May 24 – the day after the annual Hall of Fame Classic at Doubleday Field...A perfect gift or a chance to play with your favorite foursome, the Hall of Fame Classic Weekend Golf Tournament will feature a scramble format comprised of only 24 golfers...A fundraiser for the Museum, the tournament will be played on the same course Hall of Famers play during Induction Weekend...The festivities begin Friday night, with an exclusive cocktail reception in the Hall of Fame Gallery, featuring your chance to meet the Hall of Famers...A behind-the-scenes archival tour follows, taking you into the heart of the Museum’s collections...On Sunday morning, a private breakfast precedes the tournament...All golfers will get the chance to golf with a Hall of Fame member...Each golfer also receives a Hall of Fame goodie bag, a golf shirt and a foursome photo along with two Grandstand seats for Saturday’s Hall of Fame Classic...An awards luncheon concludes the event...For more information, call 607-547-0310.



## MUSEUM NEWS FROM COOPERSTOWN

**NATIONALS EXHIBIT OPENS IN AUTUMN GLORY:** The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum's exhibit honoring the 2019 World Series champion Washington Nationals, which is part of the permanent *Autumn Glory* exhibit is now open and features artifacts, photographs and ephemera detailing the Nationals' first-ever World Series title...Artifacts in the exhibit include:

- The ball hit by Howie Kendrick off the right field foul pole for the go-ahead home run in Game 7
- A jersey worn by World Series MVP Stephen Strasburg in his Game 6 victory
- A cap worn by starting pitcher Max Scherzer in Game 7
- The ball hit by Juan Soto for his Game 1 home run
- A hoodie worn by manager Dave Martinez
- A bat used by Anthony Rendon
- The spikes worn by Kurt Suzuki
- The glove used by reliever Fernando Rodney
- A "Baby Shark" plush toy from Gerardo Parra
- The bat used by Howie Kendrick to hit his grand slam in Game 5 of the NLDS

Also included in the exhibit will be 2019 World Series tickets, press pins and a program, along with the following artifacts representing the American League champion Houston Astros:

- The batting helmet worn by ALCS MVP José Altuve throughout the postseason, including when he hit his series-ending, walk-off home run in Game 6 of the ALCS
- The glove used Michael Brantley throughout the 2019 season, including for his diving catch in Game 6 of the ALCS

*Autumn Glory* will feature the 2019 Nationals artifacts through the end of the 2020 World Series, when artifacts from the most recent Fall Classic will be put on exhibit.

## COOPERSTOWN CONNECTION

**MUSEUM DEBUTS STARTING NINE EXPERIENCE:** The National Pastime's perfect number has come to Cooperstown: Nine innings, nine fielders – and now the *Starting Nine* experience at the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum...The Hall of Fame is introducing *Starting Nine: The Must-See Artifacts from Your Team* for Museum visitors in 2020...This team-themed experience highlights nine amazing pieces for each team among the vast collection of tens of thousands of treasured artifacts preserved in Cooperstown...The Museum's curators spent countless hours mining the collection for special objects that represent each major league team, providing a new and extraordinary visitor experience tailored to each baseball fan...A lineup card – available at the Hall of Fame or on its mobile website – identifies nine must-see artifacts for each of the 30 Major League Baseball teams...From the helmet Cal Ripken Jr. wore during his 2,130th consecutive game played to the spikes that sparked the end to a franchise's 86-year title drought, or the bat used to hit a World Series-clinching home run, the Baseball Hall of Fame *Starting Nine* experience has the must-sees for fans of every team – with visitors able to stand inches from iconic pieces of baseball history...*Starting Nine* will be available for a limited time from late March through December 2020...Fans can follow the Baseball Hall of Fame's social media channels, @baseballhall, as each team's *Starting Nine* list is revealed, one per weekday, from Feb. 17 through MLB's Opening Day on March 26.

**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.