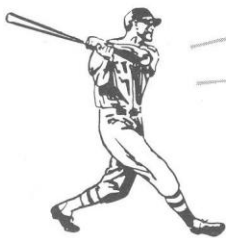


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March 2014

From the Chairperson

With the changing of the seasons, excitement is building for the upcoming baseball season. Whether it's little league, high school, college, or the Delmarva Shorebirds, players, parents, and fans are gearing up to participate in the national pastime. The Eastern Shore Baseball Foundation is also preparing for the upcoming season. If you have memorabilia related to the heritage of baseball here on the shore, please consider donating or loaning it to the museum. Forms and contact information can be found on our website (<http://www.esbhalloffame.org>). I look forward to seeing you at the museum soon!

Membership Cards

If we have received your payment for 2014 membership at the time of this mailing, your personalized membership card(s) are enclosed. Thank you! Upon presenting your membership card, you will receive a \$1 discount on all 2014 Delmarva Shorebirds general admission tickets and a members discount on museum merchandise purchases. For our monthly events (more info below), your membership card will entitle you to half price general admission tickets for the Shorebirds game that day.

Monthly Events

Again, this season in conjunction with the Shorebirds, we will have a monthly Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame event to showcase the museum and/or celebrate our baseball legacy. Each monthly event will include a reception in the museum one hour before the game followed by pre-game activities on the field. The 2014 schedule is as follows (the enclosed card and magnet are provided for your convenience):

Sunday, April 13 (1:05 reception, 2:05 game) – Hall of Fame

Recognition: In an on-field ceremony, we will recognize all Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame inductees in attendance, and introduce our class of 2013. To ensure that we do not overlook any inductees in attendance, please let us know if you can attend by e-mail (info@esbhalloffame.org) or leaving a message at 410-546-4444.

Friday, May 9 (6:05 reception, 7:05 game) – Eastern Shore

Baseball League Recognition: We will recognize the modern-day Eastern Shore Baseball League and its teams as they prepare for the 2014 season.

Sunday, June 22 (4:05 reception, 5:05 game) – Negro Leagues

Recognition: We will honor the significant contribution of the Negro Leagues to all of baseball.

Saturday, July 5 (6:05 reception, 7:05 game) – Fair Play

Baseball Recognition: We will recognize the Talbot County Fair Play baseball club which plays baseball as it was played in the 1860's.

Friday, August 1 (6:05 reception, 7:05 game) – Member's Night:

As in the past, a night at the ballpark exclusively for members with dinner at the Shorebirds Hard Ball Café. As an extra bonus, the Shorebirds' promotion that night is a Manny Machado jersey giveaway.

Hall of Fame Nominations

Hall of Fame Inductee nominations can be received up until August 31, 2014 but we encourage any nominations to be made as soon as possible for processing the information needed to prepare folders for the voting that takes place in September. Our revised nomination form is enclosed and is also available on our website (<http://www.esbhalloffame.org>) and in the museum. It is important to note that if you feel someone is deserving of being in the Hall, you should nominate and let the committee determine eligibility if there is any question. Players, managers, umpires, sports writers and boosters are all eligible. We especially encourage members who live in the areas away from the immediate museum area on the upper and lower Peninsula or outside DelMarVa to be involved in nominating those they feel are deserving.

Help Wanted

If you have the time, energy and interest in helping out at the museum in any capacity, please contact us. We are also looking for individuals or companies willing to donate their services and expertise for cleaning, maintenance, and small construction projects such as creating and building museum exhibits. Any help is greatly appreciated!

Museum Logo Merchandise

Show your support in our museum with merchandise bearing the museum logo, which are available for sale in the museum with discounts for members. Items include, hats, jackets, tee shirts, wind shirts, silk touch shirts, mini-bats, magnets, key chains, baseballs, and ink pens.

Website

For the most up-to-date information on museum news and events, please check out the Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame Museum's website at <http://www.esbhalloffame.org> and feel free to send us suggestions. The email address to contact us is info@esbhalloffame.org.

Memberships and Contributions

We are extremely grateful for the memberships and contributions we have already received this year, as the vast majority of the funds necessary for museum operations and improvements come from memberships and contributions. Therefore, if you haven't already done so, please consider renewing or becoming a member, and of course, any contribution, large or small, is greatly appreciated.

Board of Directors

Patrick Murray has been elected as Vice-Chairperson to fill the position vacated by Craig Shreeves becoming Chairperson.

The Way Ahead

The Board of Directors recently met with Barry Kinsler, former director of the Indiana State museum system. He recommended a new approach to how your museum is being run. Among the things he mentioned was improving the "flow" of our current exhibits and gathering input from membership through a questionnaire that could allow for ideas from many sources to create improved services. He also recommended we make a plan to answer: what we are, who we exist for, how to carry on the plan, and how to maximize our resources through corporate sponsorship and state, federal, and private grants. We will be developing a questionnaire but hope those of you who already have ideas in creating a better museum asset would come forward and let us hear from you. Meantime, we are continuing a search for a curator and encourage any of you who may be interested to contact us.

Play



EASTERN SHORE BASEBALL HALL OF FAME

Nomination Sheet

To be eligible for induction in the Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame, an individual must have been active and domiciled on the Delmarva Peninsula (from the C&D Canal to Kiptopeke, VA) for at least five years as a player, manager, umpire, sports writer or booster. Individuals born on the Delmarva Peninsula who played baseball professionally are also eligible. Each year, all nominations received by the August 31 selection deadline are considered by the Eastern Shore Baseball Foundation Board of Directors. Those elected must receive a majority vote, with no more than eight inductees each year. Those persons receiving at least three votes will be eligible for election for the next three years (a new nomination is not required.) Those persons receiving less than three votes must be re-nominated. All nominators and nominees will be notified of their selection status. Induction is extremely selective, so please provide as much detailed information as possible, attaching additional pages or materials if necessary. A separate submission is required for each individual nominated but separate submissions are not necessary for an individual with multiple categories.

Name of Nominee: _____ Nominee Phone: _____

Present Address: _____

Place of Birth: _____ Year of Birth: _____

Check One: Living: _____ Deceased: _____

Category: Player: _____ Manager: _____ Umpire: _____ Sportswriter: _____ Booster: _____

Total #/Yrs Player: _____ Manager: _____ Umpire: _____ Sportswriter: _____ Booster: _____

Year Playing Career Ended: _____

Baseball History (give records and dates): _____

Induction is Selective. Why should this nominee be considered for induction? _____

Name of Nominator: _____ Nominator Phone: _____

Address of Nominator: _____

Signature of Nominator: _____

Date Submitted: _____

Send All Nominations to:
Eastern Shore Baseball Foundation, Inc.
Attn: Nominating Committee
P.O. Box 2071
Salisbury, MD 21802

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: AUGUST 31