

## EASTERN SHORE BASEBALL FOUNDATION, INC.

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# COVERING THE BASES APRIL 2015

#### FROM THE CHAIR

After a long, cold, snow-filled winter, I'm sure you're looking forward to getting out and enjoying some nice spring weather. And baseball is the perfect remedy! I encourage our Eastern Shore Baseball Foundation members to get out early and often to Arthur W. Perdue Stadium to take in a few Delmarva Shorebirds games and visit the Hall of Fame Museum. The museum displays have been updated and our newest inductees are now enshrined in Miss Ella's Dugout. In addition to the updated displays, the Foundation is proud to announce we are continuing our monthly special events again this season. In April, we start out by recognizing the 2014 Hall of Fame inductees in an on-field ceremony. Following months will include events highlighting Fair Play (the old-time style of baseball), the Negro Leagues, a benefit auction in honor of Kenny Green, and our annual members night recognition. As a reminder, I encourage Foundation members to give us feedback or suggestions to improve YOUR organization – whether it's regarding the museum, the website or the membership. With the start of baseball season is upon us, I look forward to seeing you at the museum soon!

#### A Word from our Curator

We are putting the finishing touches to the new display in the museum! The display will give the history of this professional league displaying teams, statistics and other memorabilia. Teams like that the Salisbury Indians who were the 1937 League Champions. Despite having to forfeit 21 games because of ineligible players, they were still able to win 59 games and the championship....

There will be displays of old

ballparks...



And old signs....



And baseballs, stock certificates and contracts of players....



Come and see the finished wall Opening Day!

## Contributions Still Needed!

Thanks to all of you that have made contributions in the memory of someone special or "just because" you love baseball. The contributions are the lifeblood of this Foundation.

If you haven't already done so, please consider making either an individual or corporate donation by contacting us at <a href="mailto:info@esbhalloffame.org">info@esbhalloffame.org</a> or checking out our website for a form to submit.



#### **Save the Dates!**

Once again this year we are going to have special event nights at particular home games. Here's the schedule so you can mark your calendars now!

Apr 12	Hall of Fame			
(Sun)	Recognition			
	Night			
May 9	Fair Play Night			
(Sat)				
Jun 14	Negro League			
(Sun)	Day			
Jul 31	Kenny Green			
(Fri)	Benefit			
	Auction Night			
Aug 21	Members Night			
(Fri)				
Nov 14	ESBF Hall of			
(Sat)	Fame Induction			
	Banquet			

### Membership Card Update

We have printed the 2015 membership cards and are mailing them during the first week of April. If you do not receive your card(s) by April 10, please give us a call or drop us an email so we arrange to get them to you.

#### **Website**

Please keep sending us stories! We have been getting emails from family and friends of former players. Keep them coming!

#### Heads Up!

Hall of Fame Nominations are due **July 15, 2015**. See next page for details and exciting changes!



#### IT'S TIME TO THINK ABOUT NOMINATIONS FOR THE HALL OF FAME...

Included with this newsletter is a nomination form for induction into the Hall of Fame. While we encourage people to submit nominations using the enclosed form, we suggest that the nominator include MORE than the form. The more information the better. Induction is SELECTIVE and distinguishing a person by submitting supporting information will definitely help the nomination.

Here are some suggestions:

- Be SPECIFIC about what the person did
- Give as much DETAIL as possible
- Provide as much DOCUMENTATION as possible (newspaper articles, etc.)

#### **VOTING CHANGES**

This year we are allowing Hall of Fame inductees to VOTE for new inductees. The Board hopes this new procedure will get current Hall of Fame members involved in the process that honors them as well as all potential new inductees. The number of votes to enter the Hall of Fame will be determined by receiving a majority of ballots cast. Numbers can vary from year to year but will always be determined by the number of ballots cast, then one (1) vote more than half could win induction. Any Hall of Fame member is eligible to cast a ballot. More details will follow.

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<ul><li>☐ Annual Single Membership \$25</li><li>☐ Lifetime Single Membership \$250</li></ul>		☐ Annual Doubl	e Membership \$35	☐ Annu	☐ Annual Home Run Membership \$50		
		☐ Lifetime Doub	ole Membership \$350	☐ Lifetime Home Run Membership \$500			
☐ Extra Cash Donation _							
Name – Member 1	Name -	- Member 2 (if applicable)	Name – Member 3 (if applicabl	e)	Name – Member 4 (if applicable)		
Street Address							
City, State, Zip Code							
Phone			E-Mail				



#### 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 July 15 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 Addre	ss:					
Present Address: Year of Birth: Year of Birth:						
Check One:	Living:	Dece	Deceased:			
Category:	Player:	Manager:	Umpire:	Sportswriter:	Booster:	
Total #/Yrs	Player:	Manager:	Umpire:	Sportswriter:	Booster:	
Year Playing	Career Ended:_					
Baseball Histo	ory (give record	s and dates):				
Induction is So	elective. Why s	should this nominee	be considered for i	nduction?		
Name of Nominator:			No	Nominator Phone:		
Address of No	ominator:					
Signature of N	Nominator:					
Date Submitte	ed:					

Send All Nominations to: Eastern Shore Baseball Foundation, Inc. Attn: Nominating Committee P.O. Box 2071 Salisbury, MD 21802 **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: JULY 15** 

#### Arthur W. Perdue

Open One Hour Before
Delmarva Shorebirds Home Games and
by Appointment
410-546-4444 (leave message)
info@esbhallof fame.org

## EASTERN SHORE BASEBALL FOUNDATION, INC.

An organization dedicated to the history, preservation, and ecognition of baseball activities on the Del-Mar-Va Peninsula through the Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame museum.

P.O. Box 2071 Salisbury, MD 21802

**Free Admission** 

#### **Museum Logo Merchandise**

One way to support the Eastern Shore Baseball Foundation is by purchasing Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame logo merchandise. Whether it's polo-style shirts, wind shirts, tee shirts, or other museum souvenirs, your purchase directly supports the ESBF and helps get the word out about our organization. The merchandise can be purchased at the museum and can be viewed on the ESBF website. The following are the items currently available with Member's prices. All prices include Maryland Sales Tax.

Wind Jacket (L, XL, 2XL)	\$35
ESBF Old-Style Jacket (M, L)	
Polo Shirt – Navy Blue (M, L, XL, 2XL)	\$25
Polo Shirt – Light Blue (M, L, XL, 2XL)	\$25
T-Shirt – White (S, M, L, XL)	\$12
T-Shirt – White (2XL)	\$16
T-Shirt – Gray (S, M, L, XL)	\$12
T-Shirt – Gray (2XL)	\$16
Hat	\$15
18" Mini-Bat	\$10
Baseball	\$8
Bat Key Chain	\$3
Bat Ink Pen	\$3
2x2 Logo Magnet	\$1
Lanyard	

