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HALL OF FAME WEEKEND, JULY 22-25

HALL OF FAME WEEKEND 2022: The 2022 edition of Hall of Fame Weekend will take place July 22-25, with the Induction Ceremony occurring on Sunday, July 24, at 1:30 p.m. EDT...Baseball Writers' Association of America electee David Ortiz will join Era Committee electees Bud Fowler, Gil Hodges, Jim Kaat, Minnie Miñoso, Tony Oliva and Buck O'Neil to be inducted as the Class of 2022...Admission to the ceremony at the Clark Sports Center is free...MLB Network and MLB Network Radio on Sirius XM will carry the Induction Ceremony live...It will also be simulcast at <u>baseballhall.org</u>...Saturday, July 23, will feature the Hall of Fame Awards Presentation at 3 p.m. in a private event that will be simulcast live at Doubleday Field...Tim Kurkjian of ESPN will receive the BBWAA Career Excellence Award for

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meritorious contributions to baseball writing and Jack Graney will be posthumously honored as the Ford C. Frick Award winner for excellence in broadcasting...For a complete schedule of Weekend events, see the list below or visit baseballhall.org/hofweekend.

54 REALLY GOOD REASONS TO RETURN TO COOPERSTOWN: Fifty-four of the 75 living Hall of Famers, including the Class of 2022 (in **boldface**), are planning to return to Cooperstown for Hall of Fame Weekend... Those planning to attend as of July 15 include:

Jeff Bagwell Goose Gossage Harold Baines Ken Griffey Jr. Vladimir Guerrero Johnny Bench Craig Biggio Bert Blyleven Trevor Hoffman Wade Boggs **Reggie Jackson** George Brett Fergie Jenkins Rod Carew Derek Jeter Orlando Cepeda Jim Kaat Andre Dawson Sandy Koufax **Dennis Eckersley** Juan Marichal **Rollie Fingers** Edgar Martinez Pat Gillick Pedro Martínez

Jack Morris **Rickey Henderson** Jim Palmer Tony Pérez Jim Rice Cal Ripken

Paul Molitor Mike Schmidt John Schuerholz **Bud Selig** Eddie Murray Mike Mussina Ted Simmons **Tony Oliva** Lee Smith **David Ortiz** Ozzie Smith John Smoltz Bruce Sutter Jim Thome Joe Torre Mariano Rivera Alan Trammell Larry Walker Iván Rodríguez Billy Williams Ryne Sandberg

Dave Winfield Robin Yount

BOOK NOW FOR FUTURE WEEKENDS: Hall of Fame Weekend is typically scheduled for the last weekend in July, though there are exceptions...The 2023 Induction Weekend is scheduled for July 21-24, with the Induction on July 23...Future Induction Ceremony dates include July 21, 2024; July 27, 2025; and July 26, 2026...A partial list of eligible first-time players for upcoming Hall of Fame elections includes: 2023: Carlos Beltran, John Lackey, Francisco Rodríguez, Jayson Werth; 2024: Adrían Beltré, Joe Mauer, Chase Utley, David Wright; 2025: Brian McCann, CC Sabathia, Ichiro Suzuki, Troy Tulowitzki; 2026: Ryan Braun, Edwin Encarnación, Matt Kemp, Nick Markakis; 2027: Jay Bruce, Jon Lester, Buster Posey, Kyle Seager.

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION: The 2022 Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will once again be held on the grounds of the Clark Sports Center, located one mile south of the Museum on Susquehanna Avenue...This marks the 30th year at that location for the event...From 1966-1991 (26 years) except 1967, the ceremony was held in Cooper Park, on the east side of the Museum...Ceremonies were originally held on Main Street in front of the main entrance to the Hall of Fame, from 1939-1965 and in 1967.

<u>BY</u> AIR: MLB Network will broadcast the Induction Ceremony and other events throughout the weekend from Cooperstown...The Induction Ceremony will be broadcast live exclusively on MLB Network, which has televised the event every year since its launch in 2009, on Sunday, July 24, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. EDT...MLB Network Radio on SiriusXM will cover the ceremony nationwide....The ceremony will also be streamed live at baseballhall.org.

<u>COME ONE, COME ALL</u>: More than 40,000 fans have attended five of the past seven Induction Ceremonies...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 10 estimated crowds for Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies: 55,000 (2019); 53,000 (2018); 50,000 (1999 and 2016); 48,000 (2014); 45,000 (2015); 40,000 (1995); 27,500 (2017); 27,000 (2001 and 2005).

LIFE OF BRIAN: Emmy Award-winning anchor Brian Kenny, who hosts *MLB Now* and *MLB Tonight* on MLB Network while appearing across the network's studio programming, will be the Master of Ceremonies at the Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony in 2022...In 2011, Kenny, author of the bestseller "Ahead of the Curve: Inside the Baseball Revolution," joined MLB Network, which is televising the Induction Ceremony for the 13th year.

<u>AWARDS PRESENTATION</u>: The 2022 *Awards Presentation*, hosted by MLB Network's Greg Amsinger, will take place at 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 23, as a private event and will be simulcast on television at Doubleday Field...Tim Kurkjian of ESPN will receive the BBWAA Career Excellence Award for meritorious contributions to baseball writing, while Jack Graney will be posthumously honored as the Ford C. Frick Award winner for excellence in broadcasting...Gates open at 2 p.m. at Doubleday Field and admission is free.

EXTENDED STAY: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum is open for extended hours during Hall of Fame Weekend: Friday, July 22 - 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday, July 23 - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, July 24 - 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Monday, July 25 - 9 a.m. to 7 p.m...Participants in the Hall of Fame's Membership Program can enter the Museum one hour early on Saturday, Sunday and Monday...Plan your trip to Cooperstown for Hall of Fame Weekend by visiting <u>baseballhall.org/hofweekend</u>...Special Hall of Fame Weekend travel packages are available at <u>sportstravelandtours.com</u>.

THE CLASS OF 2022

BUDDY SYSTEM: Born John W. Jackson Jr. in Fort Plain, N.Y., on March 16, 1858, Bud Fowler and his family moved to Cooperstown – located about a half hour from Fort Plain – just a few years later...A Black baseball pioneer, Fowler endured a nomadic career in search of opportunities to play baseball...He played professionally for nearly two decades and his talents earned him recognition in the baseball community...In 1894, Fowler helped form the Page Fence Giants, who would go on to become one of the all-time great Black barnstorming teams...Later on, he had a hand in establishing other barnstorming clubs, including the Smoky City Giants, the All-American Black Tourists and the Kansas City Stars, and was a strong proponent of establishing Black baseball leagues...Fowler passed away on Feb. 26, 1913.

HODGE PODGE: Gil Hodges played 18 seasons with the Dodgers and the Mets from 1943-63, earning eight All-Star Game selections and three Gold Glove Awards at first base...He topped the 20-homer mark in 11 straight seasons from 1949-59, drove in 100-or-more runs each year from 1949-55 and played on seven pennant winners and two World Series champions, ending his career with 370 home runs – the third-most by a right-handed hitter at the time of his retirement...Hodges went on to manage the Senators and Mets for nine seasons, leading New York to a memorable World Series title in 1969...Hodges passed away on April 2, 1972.

KAAT TREATS: Jim Kaat pitched for 25 seasons with the Senators, Twins, White Sox, Phillies, Yankees and Cardinals, winning 283 games...A three-time 20-game winner, three-time All-Star and 16-time Gold Glove Award winner, Kaat's 625 career games started ranks 17th all-time and his 4,530.1 innings pitched ranks 25th...He helped the Twins win the 1965 American League pennant and the Phillies win National League East titles from 1976-78 before transitioning to the bullpen, when he was a key member of manager Whitey Herzog's relief corps as the Cardinals won the World Series.

<u>RINGS OF SATURNINO</u>: Minnie Miñoso starred in the Negro National League with the New York Cubans from 1946-48 before debuting with the Cleveland Indians in 1949...Born Saturnino Orestes Armas Arrieta Miñoso in Perico, Cuba, he played 17 seasons with the Indians, White Sox, Cardinals and Senators, becoming the first dark-skinned Latin American player to appear in an AL or NL game...Miñoso finished second in the AL Rookie of the Year voting in 1951 and earned the first of nine All-Star Game selections in the AL/NL Midsummer Classic that year...A three-time Gold Glove Award winner in left field, Miñoso led the AL in triples and stolen bases three times apiece and finished his career with 2,110 hits and a .299 batting average...Miñoso passed away on March 1, 2015.

TONY'S REWARD: Tony Oliva spent his entire 15-year big league career with the Twins, winning three AL batting titles while leading the league in hits five times...The 1964 American League Rookie of the Year, he tied a rookie record with 374 total bases that season, a mark that still stands – Oliva was named to the All-Star Game in eight straight seasons from 1964-71 before knee injuries took their toll...A Gold Glove Award winner for his play in right field in 1966, Oliva became the first player in AL/NL history to win batting titles in each of his first two seasons...He received votes in the AL Most Valuable Player balloting in each season from 1964-71 and finished his career with a .304 batting average.

VOICE OF HISTORY: Buck O'Neil played, managed, coached, scouted and served as an executive for nearly eight decades – but his incredible legacy expands far beyond just baseball...O'Neil got his start in semipro ball before spending time with various barnstorming and minor league clubs...He broke into the Negro American League with the Memphis Red Sox in 1937, then latched on at first base for the Kansas City Monarchs in 1938...He would remain with the club for nearly two decades...From 1939-42, the Monarchs captured four consecutive Negro American League pennants, sweeping the Homestead Grays in the Negro League World Series in 1942...In 1948, O'Neil was named player-manager of the Monarchs – a role he would hold until 1955...O'Neil departed Kansas City in 1955 and signed on as a scout for the Chicago Cubs...The Cubs promoted O'Neil to their major league coaching staff in 1962, making him the first Black coach to serve on an AL or NL roster...A beloved champion of the game and a gifted storyteller, O'Neil helped establish the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City in 1990...O'Neil passed away on Oct. 6, 2006.

KING DAVID: David Ortiz played 20 seasons for the Twins and Red Sox...A 10-time All-Star and eight-time winner of the Edgar Martinez Award presented to the outstanding designated hitter, Ortiz powered a Boston team that won three World Series titles in 10 seasons after the franchise had gone 86 years without a championship...A seven-time Silver Slugger Award winner who finished in the Top 4 of the AL MVP voting each year from 2004-07, Ortiz led the league in RBI three times and reached the 30-home run mark in 10 seasons, finishing with 541 round-trippers... He retired as one of only four players with at least 500 home runs and 600 doubles and his 1,192 extra base hits are tied for eighth all-time...His 20 walk-off hits in the regular season are the third-most in MLB history, and his 485 home runs as a DH are the most by any player at the position...Hit .289 with 17 homers and 61 RBI in 85 career postseason games, earning ALCS MVP honors in 2004 and the World Series MVP Award in 2013.

WEEKEND CREDENTIALS: The deadline to apply for Hall of Fame Weekend credentials has already passed...Please call 607-547-0227 for information...For an up-to-date schedule of events visit <u>baseballhall.org/hofw</u>.

<u>CAP CHOICES</u>: Plaques representing Bud Folwer, Gil Hodges, Jim Kaat, Minnie Minoso, Tony Oliva, Buck O'Neil and David Ortiz will be revealed as the prelude to each electee's induction speech on July 24...The Hall of Fame plaque, which serves to reflect the totality of a career, details an individual's accomplishments in the game in approximately 90 words, while listing each team on which an individual played or managed...An artist's rendering of the individual being honored tops the Hall of Fame plaque, and in many instances, a cap, where a logo may or may not be featured, is included...In conjunction with the Hall of Fame, the members of the Class of 2022 and/or their families have made their selections for the logo inclusion on their Hall of Fame plaque: Gil Hodges – Brooklyn Dodgers; Jim Kaat – Minnesota Twins; Minnie Miñoso – Chicago White Sox; Tony Oliva – Minnesota Twins; David Ortiz – Boston Red Sox.

2022 AWARD WINNERS

Jack Graney, winner of the 2022 Ford C. Frick Award for broadcasters, and Tim Kurkjian, the 2022 winner of the Baseball Writers' Association of America's Career Excellence Award, will be honored at the 2022 Hall of Fame *Awards Presentation* on Saturday, July 23.

JACKS TO OPEN: Jack Graney, who followed up a 14-year big league career with the Cleveland Indians by becoming a legendary Northeast Ohio broadcasting voice, has been selected as the 2022 recipient of the Ford C. Frick Award, presented annually for excellence in broadcasting by the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum...Graney was selected from a final ballot of candidates in the Broadcasting Beginnings category per the three-year cycle for the Frick Award...Born June 10, 1886, in St. Thomas, Ontario, Canada, Graney was a gifted left-handed amateur pitcher who joined the Cleveland Naps in 1908, pitching two games before spending most of the rest of the season in the minors...Converted to the outfield the next season, Graney returned to Cleveland in 1910 – becoming a regular for the next decade...A disciplined hitter, Graney led the American League in walks in both 1917 and 1919 and appeared in three games off the bench in the 1920 World Series, helping Cleveland defeat Brooklyn for the title...Graney made history as the first to bat against Babe Ruth in the big leagues (1914) and the first 20th century big league player to appear at bat with a number on his uniform (1916)...Ending his big league career in 1922 with 1,178 hits and a .354 on-base percentage, Graney went into the automotive sales industry...Then in 1932, WHK-AM began broadcasting Cleveland games and hired Graney, who is now widely considered to be the first former big league player to broadcast a major league game...For the next 22 years - except for 1945, when network radio broadcasts pre-empted local programming – Graney called games for a variety of Cleveland stations, including WHK, WGAR, WJW and WERE...Teaming with several partners, including 1997 Frick Award winner Jimmy Dudley, Graney's meticulous descriptions of the action on the field and the elements of the ballpark brought the game to life for those who had never been to League Park or Cleveland Stadium...Graney called the World Series for a national audience in 1935 and also broadcast that year's All-Star Game in Cleveland... He passed away on April 20, 1978.

CAPTAIN KURK: Tim Kurkjian, who has hit for the cycle as a baseball writer – newspaper beat coverage, magazine writing, internet essayist, television reporter/analyst – and found the time to author three books, was elected the 2022 winner of the BBWAA Career Excellence Award...A graduate of Walter Johnson High school in his native Bethesda, Md., and the University of Maryland, Kurkjian began his career in 1979 for the *Washington Star* and two years later was the Rangers beat writer for the *Dallas Morning News*...After four years in Texas, Kurkjian returned to Maryland, joining the *Baltimore Sun* to cover the Orioles for four years...Kurkjian then spent seven years as *Sports Illustrated's* senior baseball writer...In 1998, he joined ESPN where he has worked as a columnist for ESPN.com and a reporter/analyst/host for "Baseball Tonight," the latter assignment earning him an Emmy Award in 2002...He won a second Emmy for contributions to "SportsCenter" in 2003-04...Along the way, Kurkjian penned "America's Game" (2000), an interactive look at baseball; "Is This a Great Game or What?" (2007), a collection of his personal reflections covering the sport; and "I'm Fascinated by Sacrifice Flies" (2017), detailing the idiosyncrasies that define his love for the game...Kurkjian has served on two Era Committees for the Hall of Fame and is on the board of directors for the Shirley Povich Center for Sports Journalism at Maryland.

HALL OF FAME WEEKEND LINEUP

PLAN NOW FOR A HISTORIC WEEKEND: Hall of Fame Weekend 2022 will be held July 22-25 with the annual Induction Ceremony scheduled to take place on Sunday, July 24, at 1:30 p.m. EDT as the highlight of the weekend...The Induction Weekend schedule includes:

Friday, July 22

Ozzie Smith's *PLAY Ball* Museum fundraiser will be held at 8 a.m. The annual fundraiser for the Museum's educational programs gives fans a unique opportunity to experience on-field moments and share stories with Ozzie and Hall of Fame teammates Cal Ripken Jr. and Jim Thome. The event begins with an exclusive morning reception in the Hall of Fame Plaque Gallery, then moves to a Cooperstown-area diamond for two hours of interactive stories, instruction and fun. To register, please call 607-547-0385.

Saturday, July 23

- The Hall of Fame Awards Presentation will take place at 3 p.m. as a private event. Tim Kurkjian of ESPN will receive the Baseball Writers' Association of America's Career Excellence Award for meritorious contributions to baseball writing; and Jack Graney will be posthumously honored with the Hall of Fame's Ford C. Frick Award for major contributions to baseball broadcasting. The Awards Presentation will be simulcast live on the big screen at Doubleday Field. Admission to the simulcast is free.
- The 12th edition of the Hall of Fame *Parade of Legends* will begin at 6 p.m. along Main Street. Hall of Fame members will participate in the parade, which will conclude at the front steps of the Museum on Main Street.

Sunday, July 24

The annual Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will begin at 1:30 p.m. on the grounds of the Clark Sports Center, located one mile south of the Hall of Fame. Baseball Writers' Association of America electee David Ortiz along with Era Committee electees Bud Fowler, Gil Hodges, Jim Kaat, Minnie Miñoso, Tony Oliva and Buck O'Neil will be inducted on stage in front of more than four dozen returning Hall of Famers. Admission to the ceremony at the Clark Sports Center, which is expected to last more than three hours, is free.

Monday, July 25

The living members of the Class of 2022 will share memories of their careers and reminisce about Induction Weekend as MLB Network's Peter Gammons hosts the *Legends of the Game Roundtable* at 10:30 a.m. on the grounds of the Clark Sports Center. Tickets for this event are available to participants in the Museum's Membership Program and can be reserved by calling 607-547-0397.

ALL-STARS AND COOPERSTOWN

The 92nd MLB All-Star Game will be played at Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles on July 19...The connection between Hall of Famers and the All-Star Game goes back to 1933, three years before the first class of Hall of Famers was elected:

IN THE BEGINNING: When the All-Star Game debuted on July 6, 1933, in Chicago, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum in Cooperstown, N.Y., was not yet a part of the American lexicon...But for 17 players, both managers and two umpires, Cooperstown – and immortality – would become a part of their future...Of the 30 players that appeared in that first All-Star Game, 17 – eight from the National League and nine from the American League – would one day be elected to the Hall of Fame...The NL box score featured future Hall of Famers Frankie Frisch, Chick Hafey, Gabby Hartnett, Carl Hubbell, Chuck Klein, Bill Terry, Pie Traynor and Paul Waner, while future Hall of Famers who appeared in the game for the AL included Earl Averill, Joe Cronin, Rick Farrell, Lou Gehrig, Charlie Gehringer, Lefty Gomez, Lefty Grove, Babe Ruth and Al Simmons...The teams were managed by future Hall of Famers Connie Mack (AL) and John McGraw (NL), with future Hall of Fame umpires Bill Klem and Bill McGowan at first and second base, respectively.

1,347 AND COUNTING: In the 80-plus years since the first All-Star Game, future Hall of Famers have accounted for 1,347 AL/NL All-Star Game selections – 307 pitcher selections and 1,040 position player selections...Of these selections, Hank Aaron has accounted for 25, the most of any player, followed by Willie Mays and Stan Musial who have each been selected to 24 Mid-Summer Classics...Of the 18 players selected to start the 1934 All-Star Game, only one, Wally Berger, has not been elected to the Hall of Fame...The 28 future Hall of Famers selected to play in the 1934 contest is also a record...No big league game has ever featured more future Hall of Famers than the 1934 All-Star Game, which had 31 (including playing and non-playing Hall of Famers).

BBWAA BALLOTING RECAP

THE 2022 BALLOT: The BBWAA ballot featured 30 players, including 13 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...Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens, Curt Schilling and Sammy Sosa each appeared on the ballot for the 10th-and-final time and are no longer eligible for BBWAA consideration and appear in italics below...Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens, Curt Schilling and Sammy Sosa each appeared on the ballot for the 10th-and-final time and are no longer eligible for BBWAA consideration and appear in italics below...Bonds, Clemens, Schilling and Sosa will each be eligible for the Today's Game Era Committee ballot, which will be announced in the days following the conclusion of the 2022 World Series and voted on in December...Two first-year candidates received the five percent of the vote necessary to remain on the ballot: Álex Rodríguez (34.3%) and Jimmy Rollins (9.4%)...Fourteen players will return for consideration in 2023...A total of 394 votes were cast, with 296 votes necessary for election and 20 votes necessary to remain on the ballot...Six blank ballots were cast...The final results, in order of percentage received with number of years on the ballot:

NAME	YR	2022	NAME	YR	2022	NAME	YR	2022
David Ortiz	1	77.9%	Jeff Kent	9	32.7%	Tim Hudson	2	3.0%
Barry Bonds	10	66.0%	Manny Ramírez	6	28.9%	Tim Lincecum	1	2.3%
Roger Clemens	10	65.2%	Omar Vizquel	5	23.9%	Ryan Howard	1	2.0%
Scott Rolen	5	63.2%	Sammy Sosa	10	18.5%	Mark Teixeira	1	1.5%
Curt Schilling	10	58.6%	Andy Pettitte	4	10.7%	Justin Morneau	1	1.3%
Todd Helton	4	52.0%	Jimmy Rollins	1	9.4%	Jonathan Papelbon	1	1.3%
Billy Wagner	7	51.0%	Bobby Abreu	3	8.6%	Prince Fielder	1	0.5%
Andruw Jones	5	41.4%	Mark Buehrle	2	5.8%	A.J. Pierzynski	1	0.5%
Gary Sheffield	8	40.6%	Torii Hunter	2	5.3%	Carl Crawford	1	0.0%
Álex Rodríguez	1	34.3%	Joe Nathan	1	4.3%	Jake Peavy	1	0.0%

THE VOTING ELECTORATE: Of the 405 Hall of Fame ballots distributed to BBWAA voters for the 2022 election, 394 were returned, a return rate of 97.2 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.

<u>CAREFUL SELECTION</u>: 2022 marked the 78th Hall of Fame election held by the BBWAA...Starting in 1936, the BBWAA has elected someone 69 times and on nine occasions it did not elect anyone (1945, 1946, 1950, 1958, 1960, 1971, 1996, 2013, 2021)...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 78 elections...As quantified in the chart below, the BBWAA has voted in two players or one player more than any other quantity (27 times each).

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	27	2022	Ortiz
0	9	2021	

LUCKY SEVEN: The seven-member Class of 2022 marks just the third time in the last 50 years – and just the 11th time in Hall of Fame history – that a class of seven-or-more electees has been named...In 2006, a record 18 candidates were elected by the BBWAA and the Special Committee on Negro Leagues...In 1999, three candidates were elected by the BBWAA and four were named by the Veterans Committee...Other classes that included seven or more members are: 1972 (8), 1971 (8), 1964 (7), 1953 (8), 1946 (11), 1945 (10), 1939 (10) and 1937 (8).

<u>58 AT FIRST</u>: The election of David Ortiz brings the total of first-year BBWAA inductees to 58 and marks the eighth class in nine years with at least one first-ballot inductee...The last stretch of at least eight first ballot electees in nine years was 1986-95 when – in that 10-year period – only the 1987 election did not feature a first-ballot electee.

RED SOX IN COOPERSTOWN: Including players, managers and executives, the Red Sox now have 11 Hall of Famers represented as their primary team in Cooperstown, with David Ortiz the most recent addition to the list...The Red Sox are tied for ninth among all teams on that list with the Brooklyn Dodgers, Cincinnati Reds and Philadelphia Phillies with 11 Hall of Famers...The Yankees sit atop that list with 30 Hall of Famers.

FOUR DOMINICAN LEGENDS: David Ortiz is the fourth native of the Dominican Republic to earn election to the Hall of Fame, following Juan Marichal (1983), Pedro Martínez (2015) and Vladimir Guerrero (2018)...Overall, Ortiz is the 16th Latino to earn election.

DESIGNATED THIRD: David Ortiz becomes the third player elected to the Hall of Fame who appeared in at least 60 percent of his games at designated hitter – and the first one to earn election on his first time on the BBWAA ballot...Edgar Martinez, elected on his 10th time on the BBWAA ballot, and Harold Baines, elected by the Today's Game Era Committee, became the first two DHs inducted in 2019.

POWER OF 10: David Ortiz is the 340th candidate elected to the Hall of Fame, following a career where he wore No. 34 for 14 seasons with the Boston Red Sox.

ROLEN ALONG: Scott Rolen reached the 60-percent mark in the BBWAA voting for the first time this year after being named on 63.2 percent of all ballots cast...Barry Bonds (66.0 percent) and Roger Clemens (65.2 percent) also hit the 60-percent mark this year after having first reached the mark in 2020...All other candidates who have ever reached the 60-percent mark in any BBWAA election have subsequently been elected to the Hall of Fame by either the BBWAA or a Hall of Fame veterans committee.

<u>10 CHANCES</u>: Four candidates – Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens, Curt Schilling and Sammy Sosa – fall off the BBWAA ballot starting in 2023 because they have reached the 10-year maximum time allowed by rule on the ballot...This marks the most players to age out of the BBWAA ballot since the 10-year maximum rule was put into place in 2014....The last time as many as three players aged off the ballot in one season was in 1996 when Curt Flood, Tony Oliva and Vada Pinson were dropped following their 15th year (then the maximum allowed) on the ballot.

FIRST IS ENOUGH: By appearing on 77.9 percent of all ballots cast, David Ortiz becomes the fifth candidate in history to earn election in his first year on the BBWAA ballot while receiving less than 80 percent of the vote...Jackie Robinson (77.5% in 1962), Lou Brock (79.7%), Robin Yount (77.5% in 1999) and Iván Rodríguez (76.0% in 2017) each earned election in their first year eligible.

<u>RULES FOR ELECTION</u>: Voting criteria for BBWAA electors can be found at <u>http://baseballhall.org/hall-famers/rules-</u> <u>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 GAME'S ELITE: The Hall of Fame is comprised of 340 elected members...Included are 268 former major league players, as well as 40 executives/pioneers, 22 managers and 10 umpires....The BBWAA has elected 135 candidates to the Hall while the veterans committees (in all forms) have chosen 179 deserving candidates ...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 75 living members.

75 AMBASSADORS: The 75 living members of the Hall of Fame are: Roberto Alomar, Luis Aparicio, Jeff Bagwell, Harold Baines, Johnny Bench, Craig Biggio, Bert Blyleven, Wade Boggs, George Brett, Rod Carew, Steve Carlton, Orlando Cepeda, Bobby Cox, Andre Dawson, Dennis Eckersley, Rollie Fingers, Carlton Fisk, 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, Jim Kaat, Sandy Koufax, Barry Larkin, Tony La Russa, Greg Maddux, Juan Marichal, Edgar Martinez, Pedro Martínez, Willie Mays, Bill Mazeroski, Paul Molitor, Jack Morris, Eddie Murray, Mike Mussina, Tony Oliva, David Ortiz, Jim Palmer, Tony Pérez, Gaylord Perry, Mike Piazza, Tim Raines, Jim Rice, Cal Ripken, Mariano Rivera, Brooks Robinson, Iván Rodríguez, Nolan Ryan, Ryne Sandberg, Mike Schmidt, John Schuerholz, Bud Selig, Ted Simmons, Lee Smith, Ozzie Smith, John Smoltz, Bruce Sutter, Frank Thomas, Jim Thome, Joe Torre, Alan Trammell, Larry Walker, Billy Williams, Dave Winfield, Carl Yastrzemski and Robin Yount.

<u>CONNECTING GENERATIONS</u>: Willie Mays, born May 6, 1931, is currently the oldest living Hall of Famer at 91...The Hall of Famer to reach the highest age was **Bobby Doerr**, who was 99 years, 220 days old when he passed away in 2017...**David Ortiz**, who was born on Nov. 18, 1975, is the youngest living Hall of Famer at 46 years of age...The youngest elected Hall of Famer was **Sandy Koufax**, who was 36 when he was elected in 1972.

<u>BETWEEN THE LINES</u>: Including Negro League players, the following is a breakdown by position of the 268 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.

Pitchers	Second Basemen21 (11) Third Basemen17 (8) Shortstops26 (12)	Left Fielders23 (12) Center Fielders24 (8) Right Fielders27 (15)
	DH: Ortiz (2022)	
P: Kaat (2022)	2B: Biggio (2015)	LF: Miñoso (2022)
C: Simmons (2020)	3B: Jones (2018)	CF: Griffey Jr. (2016)
1B: Hodges (2022)	SS: Jeter (2020)	RF: Oliva (2022)

FIRST THINGS FIRST: With the election of David Ortiz, 58 players have been elected in their first year of eligibility (18 pitchers, seven RF, six 3B, six LF, six SS, five CF, four 1B, three 2B, two catchers and one DH; position based on where electee played the majority of his big league games)...In 15 of the last 21 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 58.

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	2022	David Ortiz
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, Pérez); **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 56 Hall of Famers who spent their entire career with one team, with 2022 electee Tony Oliva 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, Tony Oliva, 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.

<u>NINE TENTHS OF THE LAW</u>: In 2020, Derek Jeter became the 35th player to earn at least 90 percent in any one BBWAA election...The 35 players with at least 90 percent of votes cast in their favor:

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<u>**CLOSE, BUT NO CIGAR**</u>: Several individuals have come close to being elected to the Hall of Fame, but have missed by the slimmest of margins in a given year. All on the list below were subsequently elected to the Hall of Fame:

YEAR F	PLAYER	BALLOTS CAST	VOTES RECEIVED	NEEDED/ELECTION	SHORT BY
2014 0	Craig Biggio				2
1947 P	Pie Traynor				2
1986 E	Billy Williams				4
1988 J	im Bunning				4
2010 E	Bert Blyleven				5
1994 0	Orlando Cepeda.				7
1967 J	oe Medwick				7
1945 F	Frank Chance				7
1953 E	Bill Terry				7
1982 J	uan Marichal				7
1951 P	Paul Waner				8
1968 F	Roy Campanella				8
2010 F	Roberto Alomar.				8
1975 F	Robin Roberts				9

<u>CLOSE</u>, AND CIGAR: Twenty-seven Hall of Famers have earned election by 10 votes or less:

YEAR		VOTES NEEDED		
1939	Willie Keeler		207	1
	Al Simmons			
1975	Ralph Kiner		273	1
1991	Ferguson Jenkins		334	1
	Cy Young			
1947	Lefty Grove		123	2
	Pie Traynor			
	Herb Pennock			
1962	Jackie Robinson		124	4
2017	Iván Rodríguez			4
1972	Early Wynn		301	4
1987	Jim "Catfish" Hunter		315	5
1954	Bill Terry		195	6
1955	Gabby Hartnett		195	6
2005	Ryne Sandberg		393	6
2020	Larry Walker		304	6
1939	Eddie Collins		213	7
1942	Rogers Hornsby		182	7
1947	Mickey Cochrane		128	7
	Joe Cronin			
1970	Lou Boudreau		232	7
2009	Jim Rice			7
	Mike Mussina			
1951	Jimmie Foxx		179	9
	Gaylord Perry			
	Whitey Ford			
2000	Tony Pérez		385	10

MUSEUM UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

TUESDAY, JULY 19: All-Star Gala: Join the excitement and entertainment as the Hall of Fame hosts the annual All-Star Game Gala...The night will include games, prizes, food, entertainment and, of course, live coverage of the 2022 All-Star Game from Los Angeles at 8 p.m. in the Hall of Fame's Grandstand Theater...Participants in the Museum's Membership Program may reserve tickets immediately by calling the Membership Department at 607-547-0397.

FRIDAY, JULY 29: Author Series: Actor and author Dwier Brown will discuss his book, "If You Build It... A Book About Fathers, Fate, and Field of Dreams"...The book delves into Dwier's career as an actor, his experiences on the set of "Field of Dreams", and his relationship with his father...Brown, who appeared as Ray Kinsella's father in the 1989 film "Field of Dreams", will discuss making the movie and how it changed his relationship with his father, who died shortly before filming began... A book signing will follow the 1 p.m. program in the Museum's Bullpen Theater with books available in the Museum's bookstore, located in the Library Atrium.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 10: Author Series: Luke Epplin will discuss his critically acclaimed book, "Our Team: The Epic Story of Four Men and the World Series"...Presented in riveting detail, "Our Team" traces the story of the integration of the Cleveland Indians and their quest for a World Series title through four key participants, including Larry Doby, the first Black player in the history of the American League...Epplin will also discuss the impact of other key players, Bob Fetcher and Satchel Paige, and the team's groundbreaking owner, Bill Veeck...A book signing will follow the 1 p.m. program in the Museum's Bullpen Theater with books available in the Museum's bookstore, located in the Library Atrium.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 17: Author Series: Scott Longert will discuss his new book, "Victory on Two Fronts: The Cleveland Indians and Baseball Through the World War II Era"...Beginning with the Cleveland Indians' hard luck during World War II, this thrilling history follows the team through its historic role in racial integration and its legendary postwar comeback...Augmented by player photographs and filled with colorful stories, this book offers insight into both baseball and the World War II era...A book signing will follow the 2 p.m. program in the Museum's Bullpen Theater with books available in the Museum's bookstore, located in the Library Atrium.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 24: Author Series: Howard Megdal will discuss his new book, "The Baseball Talmud", which provides a wonderful historical narration of Jewish baseball in America...The book not only delves into the careers of iconic Jewish players like Hank Greenberg and Sandy Koufax, but also reveals the stories of other, lesser-known baseball contributors of the Jewish faith...Megdal draws upon the lore and the little-known details of the many Jewish players who have had an impact on our National Pastime...A book signing will follow the 1 p.m. program in the Museum's Bullpen Theater with books available in the Museum's bookstore, located in the Library Atrium.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 31: Author Series: Pulitzer Prize-winning writer and author David Maraniss will discuss his newest book, "Path Lit by Lightning: The Life of Jim Thorpe", a riveting new biography of America's greatest all-around athlete, a man who starred in baseball, football, and track and field...Thorpe rose to world fame as a mythic talent who excelled at every sport...He won gold medals in the decathlon and pentathlon at the 1912 Stockholm Olympics, was an All-American football player at the Carlisle Indian School, and played in the major leagues for John McGraw's New York Giants...In spite of his colossal skills, Thorpe struggled against difficult circumstances...As a member of the Sac and Fox Nation, he encountered racism and other forms of bigotry....A book signing will follow the 1 p.m. program in the Museum's Grandstand Theater with books available in the Museum's bookstore, located in the Library Atrium.

MUSEUM NEWS FROM COOPERSTOWN

HALL OF FAME RESTRUCTURES ERA COMMITTEE AND FRICK AWARD VOTING: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum's Board of Directors announced April 22 the restructuring of its Era Committee elections along with changes to the Ford C. Frick Award balloting and election processes...Effective immediately, the Board has made changes to the Era Committee system that provide an avenue for Hall of Fame consideration to managers, umpires and executives, as well as players retired for more than 15 seasons...Highlighting these changes is a consolidation of eras into two timeframes - the Contemporary Baseball Era, consisting of the period from 1980 to present day, and the Classic Baseball Era, consisting of the period prior to 1980 and including Negro Leagues and pre-Negro Leagues stars... The Contemporary Baseball Era will split into two separate ballots - one ballot to consider only players who made their greatest impact on the game since 1980, and another composite ballot consisting of managers, executives and umpires whose greatest contributions to the game have come since 1980...Each of these three Era Committees - the Contemporary Baseball Era player ballot, the Contemporary Baseball Era non-player ballot, and the Classic Baseball Era composite ballot - will rotate on an annual basis, and each ballot consisting of eight candidates...Effective beginning in January 2023, eligible players must have been retired for 16 or more seasons, equal to a one-year waiting period following their final potential year of eligibility on the BBWAA ballot...Eras considered for yearly election are as follows: December 2022 (for Class of 2023) - Contemporary Baseball/Players; December 2023 (for Class of 2024) - Contemporary Baseball/Managers-Umpires-Executives; December 2024 (for Class of 2025) - Classic Baseball...This cycle will repeat every three years, with Contemporary Baseball/Players eligible for consideration again in December 2025 for the Class of 2026... A number of changes have also been made to the annual Ford C. Frick Award elections, presented annually to a preeminent baseball broadcaster since 1978...A ballot of 10 candidates will now be set, up from eight in the previous voting system...There will now be a requirement that at least one candidate be a foreign language broadcaster...A new election cycle has been established, with a composite ballot featuring local and national voices in four consecutive years, followed by a fifth year featuring a ballot of candidates whose broadcasting careers concluded prior to the advent of the Wild Card Era in 1994...The new cycle will begin with the 2023 Frick Award, with composite ballots of local and national voices continuing with the Awards in 2024, 2025 and 2026 before the pre-Wild Card Era ballot is considered for the 2027 Award...The cycle then repeats every five years.

MUSEUM INITIATIVE TO HIGHLIGHT STORY OF BLACK BASEBALL: Seventy-five years ago, Jackie Robinson changed a game, and a nation, forever... His stepping onto the diamond at Ebbets Field on April 15, 1947 created a monumental shift in America's path toward Civil Rights...Robinson's debut for the Brooklyn Dodgers remains one of the most significant moments in our country's history...But it's just one of the many important chapters to the story of Black baseball – a story that has inspired and empowered generations...The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum will honor this history and celebrate its impact with an initiative to tell the story of Black baseball, culminating in the opening of a new permanent exhibit at the Museum in Cooperstown in April 2024...This exhibit will replace Ideals and Injustices, the Hall of Fame's current exhibit about the Black baseball experience...Originally titled Pride and Passion, it opened in 1997 in celebration of the 50th anniversary of Jackie Robinson breaking the color barrier...In the 25 years since the Museum opened the Pride and Passion exhibit, extensive research has allowed the baseball community to better understand the statistics, as well as the significance, of those who created and participated in Black baseball...Utilizing innovative technology to enhance and improve the visitor experience, the new exhibit will tell a more complete story of civil rights initiatives in the United States and throughout the baseball world...To develop this initiative, the Hall of Fame has fostered new partnerships and expanded on existing relationships with cultural and historical institutions around the country, including the formation of an Advisory Board with representation from Major League Baseball, the MLB Players Association, the Smithsonian Institution, Negro Leagues Baseball Museum, the Jackie Robinson Foundation, The Players Alliance and more... The Hall of Fame will also hire a full-time curator to help provide an authentic perspective in the development of the project...The Advisory Board will also include a number of living Hall of Famers, former players, historians, media members and others from the baseball family, including Ken Griffey Jr., Barry Larkin, Dave Winfield, Doug Glanville, Adam Jones and Dave Stewart, among others...In addition to the resulting exhibit, this initiative will develop a plan to integrate more stories of Black baseball into existing exhibits throughout the Museum...New online content will be developed, as well as an outreach plan to create positive impacts in communities throughout the country.

COMING TO COOPERSTOWN: The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum has already received treasures from the 2022 season, including: The cap worn by Cleveland pitcher Shane Bieber in the team's first game as the Guardians on April 7...Several items commemorating Rachel Balkovec's managerial debut on April 8 for the Tampa Tarpons, including the jersey she wore, the first pitch ball from the game, the original dugout lineup card, the official scorer's scorecard and tickets to the game...The cap worn by Cooperstown native Phil Pohl when he made his debut as Lansing Lugnuts' manager on April 10...The batting helmet worn by Giants' coach Alyssa Nakken when she coached first base for the team April 12...The cap worn by the Brewers' Andrew McCutchen on April 15, featuring the Jackie Robinson Day patch and a patch commemorating him as a winner of the Roberto Clemente Award...The jersey worn by Guardians pitcher Zach Plesac on April 15 in the team's first home game as the Guardians...The jersey worn by the Tigers' Miguel Cabrera when he recorded his 3,000th career hit on April 23...A ball thrown by Mets starting pitcher Tylor Megill and signed by all five Mets pitchers – Drew Smith, Joely Rodríguez, Seth Lugo and Edwin Díaz – along with catcher James McCann – who combined for a no-hitter against the Phillies on April 29...The ball thrown by the Dodgers' Clayton Kershaw for his 2,699th career strikeout on April 30, the same game where he set a new strikeout record for Dodgers' pitchers...Cap and wristband worn by Astros manager Dusty Baker on May 3 when he recorded his 2,000th big league win...The cap worn by the Giants' Sean Hjelle during his big league debut on May 6 when the 6-foot-11 Hjelle matched Jon Rauch as the tallest player in big league history...And a ball thrown by the Reds' Hunter Greene on May 15 when Greene helped the Reds no-hit the Pirates in a game Cincinnati lost 1-0.

<u>AUTUMN GLORY</u>: Artifacts from the Atlanta Braves' world championship have arrived in Cooperstown and are now on display in the Museum's *Autumn Glory* exhibit...The artifacts from the 2021 postseason will be on display through the 2022 postseason in *Autumn Glory*, the Museum's exhibition celebrating the postseason...Artifacts include:

- The pearl necklace worn by Joc Pederson throughout the Postseason
- Spikes worn by Braves Game 6 starter Max Fried, who pitched six shutout innings to earn the victory
- Batting helmet worn by World Series MVP Jorge Soler
- Bat used by Braves first baseman Freddie Freeman in Game 6 when he doubled and homered
- Glove used by NLCS MVP Eddie Rosario
- Cap worn by Braves Game 3 starter Ian Anderson, who did not allow a hit over five innings, and a ball he threw during that game
- Spikes worn in Game 6 by Braves reliever Will Smith, who did not allow a run in 11 Postseason appearances
- Cap worn in Game 6 by Braves shortstop Dansby Swanson
- Jersey worn in Game 1 by Braves manager Brian Snitker
- Cap worn by Astros manager Dusty Baker during the regular season
- Batting helmet worn by ALCS MVP Yordan Álvarez during the Postseason

COOPERSTOWN CONNECTION

MUSEUM EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP WITH MORGAN STANLEY, LINCOLN AVENUE CAPITAL UNDERWAY: The

National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum, in partnership with Morgan Stanley and Lincoln Avenue Capital, is continuing programming initiatives based on the Hall of Fame's award-winning educational curriculum in low-income communities across the country...In 2021, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum received a grant from Morgan Stanley that is funding a four-year effort to support students across the country, including Morgan Stanley-funded affordable housing developments, through inspiring and educational programming... As part of this initiative, Lincoln Avenue Capital – a mission-driven affordable housing acquirer and developer, investor, and operator serving low-income individuals and families nationwide – will hold afterschool programs at several of its properties... Locations to benefit from Morgan Stanley's grant this spring will be Lincoln Avenue Capital properties Jubilee Courtyards in Florida City, Fla.; Logan Heights in Sanford, Fla.; Orchard Place in Rochester, N.Y.; Troutdale Terrace in Troutdale, Ore; and Zephyr Pointe in Reno, Nev.... Each off-site education program funded by Morgan Stanley will run for eight weeks, with local partner educators delivering the Hall of Fame's curriculum...A weekly live connection to Cooperstown with a Hall of Fame expert educator is integrated into each week's lesson plan, with these virtual field trips reinforcing the lessons being taught on-site using distance-learning technology...Participating community groups will have the opportunity to customize their individual curriculum to their own interests and needs.

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 Sept. 22-23 and Nov. 17-18...For more information, please visit baseballhall.org/visit/vip-experience or call 607-547-0249.

SUMMER DAYS, SUMMER NIGHTS: The Museum's extended hours begin Memorial Day Weekend and will remain in effect through the day before Labor Day...Extended summer hours are from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. from Sunday, May 29 through Sept. 4...The Museum is open every day of the year, except for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day... Ticket prices are \$28 for adults (13 and over), \$22 for seniors (65 and over), \$19 for those holding current memberships in the VFW, Disabled American Veterans, American Legion and AMVets organizations, and \$17 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 or call (607) 547-7200.

