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# NEWS

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## AROUND THE HORN

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### FALL'S A BALL AT THE HALL

As the baseball season heads toward the Postseason, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum has put together an all-star lineup of programming during the fall months of 2022...The Museum will host the annual fan favorite World Series Gala and celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Roberto Clemente's 3,000<sup>th</sup> hit...The schedule includes:

**FRIDAY FOCUS:** *Friday Focus*, a new programming series for Museum guests, begins Sept. 9 with a look at the heroes of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks...Events will include an 11:30 a.m. *Artifact Spotlight* featuring some of the Museum pieces documenting 9/11 as well as a 2 p.m. showing in the Museum's Bullpen Theater of the *Virtual Legends of the Game* feature with Hall of Famer Joe Torre that was originally released to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the attacks...Future *Friday Focus* events include a Sept. 16 look at Baseball Cards and a Sept. 23 focus on Two-Sport Stars...*Friday Focus* will feature Museum programming throughout each day...All events are included with Museum admission.

**ROBERTO'S 3,000<sup>TH</sup>:** Celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Roberto Clemente's 3,000<sup>th</sup> career regular season hit, which occurred on Sept. 30, 1972, vs. the Mets at Pittsburgh's Three Rivers Stadium...Clemente's fourth-inning double off New York's Jon Matlack made Clemente the 11<sup>th</sup> player to reach the 3,000-hit mark...The Museum will host programming focusing on Clemente's career throughout the day.

**GALA EVENT:** Enjoy the excitement of the World Series on the big screen at the Hall of Fame during one of our favorite annual family events, the World Series Gala...The entertaining evening on Oct. 29 will include refreshments, trivia, raffles and prizes during a live broadcast of Game 2 of the World Series...Tickets will go on sale to Members starting Sept. 30 at 607-547-0397, and any remaining tickets will be made available to the general public Oct. 21.

**HALLOWEEN AT THE HALL:** Children in costume and their parents/guardians can experience a trick-or-treat adventure at the Hall of Fame with candy and trivia from on Monday, Oct. 31...Admission for trick or treaters and their guardians is free from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

### HALL OF FAME WEEKEND RECAP

The induction on July 24 of Class of 2022 members **Bud Fowler, Gil Hodges, Jim Kaat, Minnie Miñoso, Tony Oliva, Buck O'Neil and David Ortiz** brings the total number of Hall of Famers to 340, including 75 living members...Award winners **Jack Graney** (Ford C. Frick Award for broadcast excellence) and **Tim Kurkjian** (BBWAA Career Excellence Award for writing) were honored at the July 23 *Awards Presentation*.

**A STAGE FILLED WITH HEROES:** Fifty-one of the 75 living Hall of Famers were in Cooperstown for Induction Weekend:

Jeff Bagwell	Goose Gossage	Jack Morris	Bud Selig
Harold Baines	Ken Griffey Jr.	Eddie Murray	Ted Simmons
Johnny Bench	Vladimir Guerrero	Mike Mussina	Lee Smith
Craig Biggio	Rickey Henderson	Tony Oliva	Ozzie Smith
Bert Blyleven	Trevor Hoffman	David Ortiz	John Smoltz
Wade Boggs	Reggie Jackson	Tony Pérez	Bruce Sutter
George Brett	Fergie Jenkins	Tim Lincecum	Jim Thome
Rod Carew	Jim Kaat	Jim Rice	Alan Trammell
Orlando Cepeda	Sandy Koufax	Cal Ripken	Larry Walker
Andre Dawson	Juan Marichal	Mariano Rivera	Billy Williams
Dennis Eckersley	Edgar Martínez	Iván Rodríguez	Dave Winfield
Rollie Fingers	Pedro Martínez	Mike Schmidt	Robin Yount
Pat Gillick	Paul Molitor	John Schuerholz	

**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 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; **2026:** Ryan Braun, Edwin Encarnación, Matt Kemp, Nick Markakis; **2027:** Jay Bruce, Jon Lester, Buster Posey, Kyle Seager.

**COME ONE, COME ALL:** More than 35,000 fans have attended six of the past eight Induction Ceremonies, including the estimated 35,000 who attended the 2022 *Induction Ceremony*...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 11 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); 35,000 (2022); 27,500 (2017); 27,000 (2001 and 2005).

## VOTING SEASON NEWS

The Contemporary Baseball Player Era Committee will consider Hall of Fame candidates this fall, with eligible candidates among those players whose most indelible contribution to the game came from 1980 to the present day...The Contemporary Baseball Player Era Committee meets for the first time this fall following restructuring of the Era Committee process that took place in April of 2022.

Highlighting the 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...Candidates exhausting their BBWAA ballot eligibility in 2022 will be immediately eligible for this fall’s Contemporary Baseball Player Era ballot...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.

The ballots will be constructed by the Baseball Writers’ Association of America’s Historical Overview Committee...Each era committee voting body will consist of 16 members, reconstituted for each election...Candidates must receive votes on at least 75 percent of all ballots cast to earn election to the Hall of Fame.

## VETERANS VOTING HISTORY

The Veterans Committee/Eras Committee has been a part of the Hall of Fame voting process since the first class of electees in 1936, with the first Veterans Committee electees coming in 1937...In all its forms, the Veterans Committee/Eras Committee has elected 179 individuals (105 major leaguers, 33 executives, 22 managers, nine Negro Leaguers and 10 umpires) to the Hall of Fame.

**THE COMMITTEE ON BASEBALL VETERANS:** In 1953, the Baseball Hall of Fame Committee on Baseball Veterans was formed, outlining parameters that were similar through 2001, though with some variance throughout its time...Voting was conducted every other year from 1953-1959, with annual votes from 1961 until 2001...From 1961 through 2001, the Committee elected 101 members in 41 meetings, electing a candidate on all but three occasions: 1988, 1990 and 1993.

**TURN OF THE CENTURY CHANGES:** From 2001 through 2007, the Hall of Fame's Committee on Baseball Veterans considered long-retired players, managers, umpires and executives on a bi-annual cycle featuring one ballot for players and another for managers, umpires and executives...The electorate was comprised of the living members of the Hall of Fame, the living recipients of the J.G. Taylor Spink Award, the living recipients of the Ford C. Frick Award and Veterans Committee members whose terms had not yet expired...Beginning in 2003, the Committee held its election of players every other year...Also beginning in 2003, the election of managers, umpires and executives was held every four years...The three players elections (2003, 2005 and 2007) and the two composite-ballot elections (2003 and 2007) produced no candidates who received the 75 percent of the vote necessary for election.

**REVAMPING THE PROCESS:** From 2007 to 2010, the Hall of Fame's Committee on Baseball Veterans was revamped to consider managers and umpires on one ballot, executives and pioneers on one ballot, players who began their big league careers prior to 1943 on one ballot and players who were retired for at least 21 seasons and whose careers began after 1942 on a fourth ballot...The electorates consisted of panels of Hall of Famers, executives and media members...Players whose big league careers began after 1942 were considered every other year, with the managers/umpires and executive pioneers ballots considered in the opposite years from the players...Players whose big league careers began prior to 1943 were considered every five years starting in the fall of 2008...In the fall of 2007, the Committee considered the managers/umpires ballot and the executives/pioneers ballot...Managers **Billy Southworth** and **Dick Williams** each received 13 of a possible 16 votes (81.3%) to earn election from the managers/umpires ballot, while **Barney Dreyfuss** (10 of 12 votes, 83%), **Bowie Kuhn** (10 of 12 votes, 83%) and **Walter O'Malley** (9 of 12 votes, 75%) were elected from the executives/pioneers ballot...In the fall of 2008, **Joe Gordon** received 10 of 12 votes (83%) to earn election from the pre-1943 players ballot...No player reached the 75 percent threshold needed for election on the post-1942 players ballot...In the fall of 2009, the managers/umpires and the executives/pioneers ballots were again considered...Umpire **Doug Harvey** (15 of 16 votes, 93.8%) and manager **Whitey Herzog** (14 of 16 votes, 87.5%) were elected from the managers/umpires ballot...No candidate received the necessary 75 percent of the vote to earn election from the executives/pioneers ballot.

**A NEW ERA:** From 2011-15, the Veterans Committee transitioned to the Eras Committee, which featured three candidate categories based on the era in which the candidate left his or her most indelible mark...The Expansion Era Committee, the Golden Era Committee and the Pre-Integration Era Committee met on a three-year rotating basis, with two complete cycles of the committee votes held from 2011-15...The Expansion Era Committee elected executive **Pat Gillick** to the Hall of Fame as part of the Class of 2011 in its first session, then elected managers **Bobby Cox**, **Tony La Russa** and **Joe Torre** to the Class of 2014...The Golden Era Committee elected **Ron Santo** as part of the Class of 2012, with no Golden Era candidates receiving the necessary 75 percent of the vote to be elected with the Class of 2015...The Pre-Integration Era Committee elected umpire **Hank O'Day**, executive **Jacob Ruppert** and third baseman **Deacon White** to the Class of 2013, with no Pre-Integration Era candidates reaching the 75-percent mark needed to be included with the Class of 2016.

**FOUR FOR ALL:** In 2016, the Hall of Fame Board of Directors revamped the eras committees, placing a much greater emphasis on modern eras...Additionally, those major league players, managers, umpires and executives who excelled before 1950, as well as Negro Leagues stars, will still have an opportunity to have their careers reviewed, but with less frequency...Four eras for committee consideration were identified: Today's Game (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball from 1988 to the present); Modern Baseball (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball from 1970 to 1987); Golden Days (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball from 1950 to 1969); and Early Baseball (for candidates who made their most indelible contribution to baseball prior to 1950).

**VETERAN INFLUENCE:** The Veterans Committee, in all its forms, has been electing players to the Hall of Fame since 1937, when **Morgan Bulkeley**, **Ban Johnson**, **Connie Mack**, **John McGraw** and **George Wright** comprised the first Veterans Committee class...The largest class came in 1946 when 11 men were elected to the Hall of Fame by the Veterans Committee...The 11 electees in 1946 were: **Jesse Burkett**, **Frank Chance**, **Jack Chesbro**, **Johnny Evers**, **Clark Griffith**, **Tommy McCarthy**, **Joe McGinnity**, **Eddie Plank**, **Joe Tinker**, **Rube Waddell** and **Ed Walsh**...The 17 former Negro league players and executives chosen for enshrinement in 2006 were elected through a special committee on Negro Leagues and pre-Negro Leagues candidates.

## 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.

**RINGS OF SATURNINO:** 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.

## 2022 AWARD WINNERS

**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.

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

**CAREFUL SELECTION:** 2022 marked the 78<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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).

**58 AT FIRST:** 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 16<sup>th</sup> 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 Martínez, elected on his 10<sup>th</sup> 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 340<sup>th</sup> 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.

**10 CHANCES:** 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.

**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 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 Mazerowski, Paul Molitor, Jack Morris, Eddie Murray, Mike Mussina, Tony Oliva, David Ortiz, 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, 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.

**CONNECTING GENERATIONS:** 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.

**BETWEEN THE LINES:** 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.

<b>Pitchers</b> ..... 84 (45)	<b>Second Basemen</b> ..21 (11)	<b>Left Fielders</b> .....23 (12)
<b>Catchers</b> ..... 19 (10)	<b>Third Basemen</b> ..... 17 (8)	<b>Center Fielders</b> .....24 (8)
<b>First Basemen</b> ..... 25 (12)	<b>Shortstops</b> .....26 (12)	<b>Right Fielders</b> .....27 (15)
<b>Designated Hitter</b> .... 3 (2)		

P: Kaat (2022)	DH: Ortiz (2022)	LF: Miñoso (2022)
C: Simmons (2020)	2B: Biggio (2015)	CF: Griffey Jr. (2016)
1B: Hodges (2022)	3B: Jones (2018)	RF: Oliva (2022)
	SS: Jeter (2020)	

**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 players 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.

**NINE TENTHS OF THE LAW:** In 2020, 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 percent 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, BUT NO CIGAR:** 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	PLAYER	BALLOTS CAST	VOTES RECEIVED	NEEDED/ELECTION	SHORT BY
2014	Craig Biggio	571	427	429	2
1985	Nellie Fox	395	295	297	2
1947	Pie Traynor	161	119	121	2
1986	Billy Williams	425	315	319	4
1988	Jim Bunning	427	317	321	4
2010	Bert Blyleven	539	400	405	5
2017	Trevor Hoffman	442	327	332	5
1994	Orlando Cepeda	455	335	342	7
1967	Joe Medwick	292	212	219	7
1945	Frank Chance	247	179	186	7
1953	Bill Terry	264	191	198	7
1982	Juan Marichal	415	305	312	7
1951	Paul Waner	226	162	170	8
1968	Roy Campanella	283	205	213	8
2010	Roberto Alomar	539	397	405	8
1975	Robin Roberts	362	263	272	9
1997	Don Sutton	473	346	355	9
2002	Gary Carter	472	343	354	11

**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

## MUSEUM NEWS FROM COOPERSTOWN

**CANDY DIGITAL AND THE HALL OF FAME ANNOUNCE DIGITAL COLLECTIBLES PARTNERSHIP:** Candy Digital, a next generation digital collectibles company, and the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum have announced a new partnership that establishes Candy Digital as the Museum's official licensee of digital collectibles...This new partnership will celebrate baseball and its history through the introduction of the Baseball Legends Series, which will consist of a range of official digital collectibles that showcase the sport's greatest players and recreate rare historical artifacts from the Hall of Fame's incredible and unparalleled collection...The 2022 Hall of Fame ICON Series is the inaugural entry into the Baseball Legends Series...It has been curated for fans to tap into the history of the sport by featuring 30 players enshrined in the Museum across multiple decades...Among the players featured in the series are Tom Seaver, Johnny Bench, and Ryne Sandberg...Each of the featured 30 players in the 2022 Hall of Fame Icon Series have distinct versions and ICON rarities (Core, Uncommon, Rare, Epic, and Legendary) available for fans to collect and trade...Candy Digital's world-class digital artists and designers used officially licensed, archival photos and video from Major League Baseball (MLB) and the Museum to celebrate each players' unique contributions to the sport...Future collections will feature additional Hall of Fame players and bring to life historical artifacts from the Museum's archives in digital form using 3D scanning technology...The 2022 Hall of Fame ICON Series and 2022 Hall of Fame Induction Digital Collectible are officially licensed through Licensing Partners International, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum's licensing agency, and will be minted on the Palm blockchain, an environmentally friendly Ethereum-compatible side-chain with a nearly 0% carbon footprint.

**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 3,000<sup>th</sup> 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 2,699<sup>th</sup> 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 2,000<sup>th</sup> 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...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...A helmet worn by Katie Krall when she became the first on-field coach at the Double-A level during the 2022 season with the Portland Sea Dogs...The bat used by the Cardinals' Dylan Carlson when he hit the fourth of four straight home runs for St. Louis on July 2...The jersey worn by All-Star Game Most Valuable Player Giancarlo Stanton on July 19 at the All-Star Game in Los Angeles...The bat used by Futures Game MVP Shea Langeliers on July 16...A hat worn by legendary Dodgers scout Mike Brito, who passed away July 7...The pitching mound from the Lexington Legends from the first official Atlantic League game that used an experimentally extended distance between the mound and home plate of 61-feet, 6-inches...A game-used ball from the Mariners vs. Guardians game on Aug. 27 when Ichiro Suzuki was inducted into the Mariners Hall of Fame...A game-used Uvalde (Texas) Little League jersey of Willa Suarez...And the bat used by Chandler Redmond of the Double-A Springfield Cardinals on Aug. 11 when he hit for the home run cycle.

## 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.

**SPEND A NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM:** The larger-than-life heroes of the National Pastime can be found year-round in Cooperstown at the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum... But the game's biggest fans can also call the Hall of Fame "home" – at least for a few nights a year thanks to the Museum's Extra Innings Overnights program... Open to both Museum members and youth groups, Extra Innings Overnights is one of the Museum's most popular programs... Children ages 7-12 and their parents can sleep in the Hall of Fame Plaque Gallery among the plaques honoring Babe Ruth, Ted Williams, Jackie Robinson and the rest of baseball's greats... The evening includes all-access to the Museum's public areas after-hours, special hands-on programs throughout the Museum, and a late-night snack and a movie in the Bullpen Theater... A light breakfast is provided the following morning, and all junior participants receive a Hall of Fame knapsack filled with mementos of the evening... The program costs \$50 per person... Upcoming dates include: **Oct. 15-16**... For more information or to register, please call the Museum's education department 607-547-0329.

**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](http://baseballhall.org/visit/vip-experience) or call 607-547-0249.

**TIME TO VISIT:** The Museum is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. until Memorial Day Weekend, when summer hours resume... 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](http://www.baseballhall.org) or call (607) 547-7200.