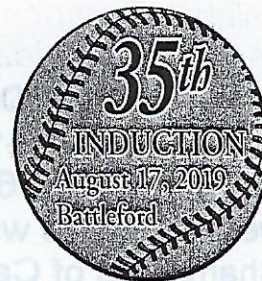




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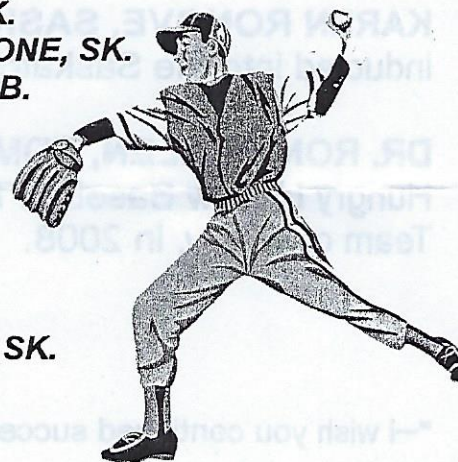
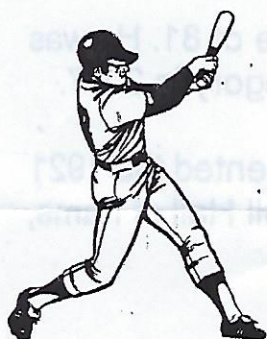
FERGIE JENKINS WILL BE OUR GUEST SPEAKER AT THE 35TH INDUCTION!

This year's celebration, August 17th, will be another event to remember! It will be the 35th year of acknowledging and honouring those that contributed to our rich Saskatchewan baseball heritage. To have Fergie Jenkins as our guest speaker is an added honour. I ask your support for this event.

Get a group of friends together and plan to share this milestone event while supporting this organization. This will be a once in a lifetime experience, and for only \$75.00! Tickets are in demand! If you simply are not able to attend, consider donating \$75.00 for which you will receive an income tax receipt. You win and we win!! Thank you!

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OBITUARIES

LAURENCE WOODARD, WEYBURN, SK., died June 24, 2019, at the age of 80 years. Laurence was inducted into the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame, Individual Category in 2016. The Woodard's were inducted into the Family Category in 2017. As well, Laurence was assistant coach of the Weyburn Beavers, the 1996 Senior Champions of Canada also inducted into the Team Category in 2006. Laurence was a Director of the Association, as well as a member of the Selection Committee.

ROBERT [BOB] BURNS, ESTEVAN, SK., died May 15, 2019, at the age of 89 years. Bob was inducted into the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame, Individual Category in 2003, and was a member of the Estevan Ace Mud Mets inducted into the Team Category in 2008. He was a Life Member of this organization and had served several years as a Director of the Association.

WAYNE "WIMPY" STEPHENSON, Calgary, AB., died September 15, 2018 at the age of 88 years. Wayne was inducted into the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame, Individual Category in 2002. Wayne was a Life Member of this organization. [We were just informed of his death]

ALLAN RUDOLPH ROTH, RADVILLE, SK., died February 15, 2019. Allan was 91 years old. He was inducted into the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame, Individual Category, in 2009.

KAREN RONGVE, SASKATOON, SK., died March 27, 2019 at the age of 81. He was inducted into the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame, Individual Category in 2007.

DR. RON MULLEN, EDMONTON, AB., died in April, 2019. Ron represented the 1921 Hungry Hollow Baseball Team inducted into the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame, Team category, in 2008.

FROM OUR READERS

"—I wish you continued success with your endeavours." **Sylvia Bender Rongve, Saskatoon, SK.**

"---We were at two of your banquets, the last when the Late Dr. Ron Mullen represented the 1885 and 1921 Hungry Hollow baseball team that was inducted in 2008.
Best wishes for your continued success." **Betty Mullen, Edmonton, AB.**

"-----I am very much looking forward to attending the August 17th ceremony. I know a lot of people originally from Mendham and am looking forward to renewing old acquaintances with all the Mendham Monarchs attending.

"I want to thank you for your total dedication to keeping the history of baseball alive in Saskatchewan.
Ken Rauch, Regina, Sk.



"---Thank you for the newsletter, most interesting and informative. I enjoyed it.---

In the early spring, after the snow was gone, my uncle, Ted Fiala, would throw baseballs from the house to over the big barn and I would stand on the far side of the barn and watch where the balls landed. Memories of the notable Hyas team centre fielder, my uncle, with a great throwing arm! Your induction in August sounds like a great event. Sorry I won't be joining you for the outstanding event." **Ernel Fiala, Winnipeg, Man.**

"Hi Jane. Thanks for the newsletter. I really like what you did to it-made it very enjoyable to read. Regards," **Doug Schultz, Watrous, SK.**

"---As always, thank you so much for what you and the Board do to maintain the history of ball in Saskatchewan, and for bringing people together. Looking forward to August." **Ray Beck, Lang, SK,**

"---Always interested to hear from you and to see what is on tap for the year.---Hope this year's induction is a great success, and everyone has a good time." **William Postlewaite, Saskatoon, SK.**

"I can't thank you enough for your prompt response. Wow, this is great. Thank you again for taking time to send the information requested. Words cannot describe how much this means and the gratitude for your efforts. Warmly, Duane." **Duane Dale.**

"Hi Jane. Again, on Rich's birthday, this cheque is in memory of him. [Richard Eisler, 1997 Inductee] You and Dave meant so much to him, and his name in the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame was the highlight of his life. Looks like you are still doing a great job! Best wishes to all."

Bess Eisler, Regina, SK.

"Hi Jane; Hope all is well in Rider Land! I think of you and the yearly baseball function often. Donation to be used as you see fit. Take care."

Cliff Campbell, Castor, AB.

"Hi. My son and I had a great time touring your collection. The Satchel Page book was very interesting. ---."

Adam Labuick, Regina, SK.

"Thank you, Jane, for the invitation but, unfortunately, my immediate family will be celebrating my parent's 50th anniversary at this time so we will be unable to attend. We would like to wish this year's inductees heartfelt congratulations on behalf of the Wallin Family. It's a wonderful accomplishment to be bestowed of this honour, and we appreciate the contributions they have all made to baseball and Saskatchewan. Best of Luck with this year's induction, and thank you for the role you play in preserving Saskatchewan baseball history, All the best." **Brent Wallin.**

[Note: The Wallin Family, Radville, Saskatchewan, was inducted into the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame, Family Category, in 2007].

"My Dad, Aron Braun, celebrated his 89th birthday March 19th. He started the Saskatoon Baseball Council [SBC] in 1972 as President, along with Herb Anweiler as Vice President and Mrs. McGregor as Secretary Treasurer. The SBC is still going strong in the world of "Baseball " in Saskatoon. My Dad was inducted into the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame, Individual Category, as a Builder, August 18, 2012. In 2017, Dad received Baseball Saskatchewan's Life Time Achievement Award. He started volunteering with baseball in 1957 and is still involved today with mentoring umpires with the Umpiring Mentor Program [UMP]. In 2018, he mentored 52 games with this program. Dad is a very proud Life Member of the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame and carries his card with him at all times. It is an original signed by Dave Shury, many moons ago!"

Candy Braun,

Saskatoon, SK.



ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

"CONGRATULATIONS RALPH KARST, ROCKGLEN, SASKATCHEWAN"

Ralph Karst, a Life Member and 1994 Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame Inductee, was honoured on June 30th, at Rockin Beach, Rockglen, Saskatchewan, with the unveiling of "KARST FIELD", for his dedication and decades of volunteerism to baseball in the area. Robert Faith from Lafleche, Saskatchewan, represented the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum Association at this event. [Thank you, Robert]

CONGRATULATIONS TO ARON BRAUN, SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN

RECIPIENT OF BASEBALL SASKATCHEWAN'S 2017 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Since it's inception in 2006, Aron has been a foundation for the Lou Slotsve Umpire Mentorship program in Saskatoon. The young players who he is involved with in Saskatoon always say he is by far their favourite mentor, and at 87 years old, he loves going out to the ball park and working with the boys. He has a passion for the game of baseball and when he is not mentoring, he will often show up at a ball park in Saskatoon just to watch. He is a member of the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame but he is also worthy of this accolade due to his more recent involvement in the mentoring of young players as umpires and fostering his love of the game in them also.

Aron Braun, born in 1930, was introduced to the game in 1958 and it became his passion.

Losing his right leg above the knee to cancer in 1949 did not keep him from becoming involved as a builder, founder, executive, manager, coach, trainer, clinician, umpire and mentor for the past 53 years. Aron has a long list of involvement in various levels of the sport. In 1958, he was president of the Saskatoon Senior Sandlot League. From 1958 to 1969 he was manager of the Saskatoon Orioles Senior team as well as being involved with building Optimist Park. It was in 1958 when Aron became a member of the Saskatoon Baseball Council mentoring young players, and President and Past President of the Saskatoon and district Umpires Association until 1984.

In 1969, Braun was Chairman of the Anavet Junior Sandlot League throughout the 1970's. His involvement continued as a builder of the Kilburn Park facilities; home of the KC Mosquito Baseball League; coach of the Orioles Sandlot to Midget baseball teams; Saskatchewan Baseball registered Umpires and President of Bantam League, for which he wrote the constitution.

Aron was the Founder with the group of nine, Saskatoon Baseball Council in the 1970's, as well as initiating the Nutana Kiwanis Baseball Parks, home of the Bantams. He was chairman of the Cairns Field upgrade committee and an executive member of the Elks Beaver League. He coached the Bantam Tigers, Bantam Orioles and the Midget Raiders.

From 1982 to 1988, he was manager of the Saskatoon Miazga National Senior Baseball Club, members of the Saskatchewan Major Baseball League. In 1983, Aron facilitated an umpire clinic featuring National League umpire Randy Marsh.

He was a volunteer in charge of security for the baseball venue at the 1989 Jeux Canada Games. In 2000, he coached the Braves zone team and in 2005 was a member of the Pee Wee AAA Provincial Championship Protest committee.

From 2006 to the present, Aron Braun served as a member of the Lou Slotsve Baseball Mentoring Program which he mentors over half of all the games the program covers each year. In 2006 he was named one of CTV's 100 People 100 Reasons during the Saskatoon Centennial. That year he was awarded the Saskatchewan Centennial Medal. [submitted by Candy Braun, daughter of Aron Braun].

Birthday Wishes to the following members of the Board

Don Cousins, Saskatoon	July 24
Jane Shury, Battleford	July 23
Dr. Craig Weran, Meadow Lake	June 14
Leo Wurtz, Lloydminster	July 12

Birthday wishes to all who celebrated their birthday in May, June and July.

Also, Get well wishes to all who may have or are experiencing health issues.



MEMBERSHIPS – SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Ernie Eiswirth, Regina, SK

Adam Labuik, Regina, SK

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP - 2019

Gavin Davidson, Calgary, AB
Delmar Hebig, Saskatoon, SK
Robert Millard, Calgary, AB

Bill Duffee, Meota, SK
Dwayne Koshinsky, Jansen, SK

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP – 2020

Don Cousins, Saskatoon, SK

Delmar Hebig, Saskatoon, SK

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP – 2021

Delvyn Huyghebaert, Saskatoon, SK

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Bill Sittler, Wilkie, SK
Laurence & Marg Woodard, Weyburn, SK
Dave Yachyshen, Jasper, AB

DONATIONS – “IN MEMORY” – (received since last newsletter)

Jess Eisler, Regina, SK – “In Memory” of husband RICHARD EISLER (1987 Inductee)

JANE'S CORNER

Membership fees and donations have been, and continue to be, the backbone of our existence. During recent years it has become more difficult for this organization to sign up and retain new members, thus affecting our finances. As time passes, many of the older supporters from past decades have passed on resulting in a definite decrease in annual donations. That along with less new members, with more members not paying their annual fees, it is necessary to review our programs. This newsletter will be the first to be considered. Publishing and postage has become very expensive. Many members receive their newsletter via email. This cuts our cost, but, it has clearly resulted in a decrease in both donations and member renewals. Income tax receipts are issued for membership fees, so it is a win, win situation for all. Following this newsletter, all outstanding 2018 membership fees not paid, will be removed. Our fiscal year is January 1 to December 31. If you have not paid your 2019 fees, we look forward to hearing from you.

Planned Giving—A Legacy for the Future

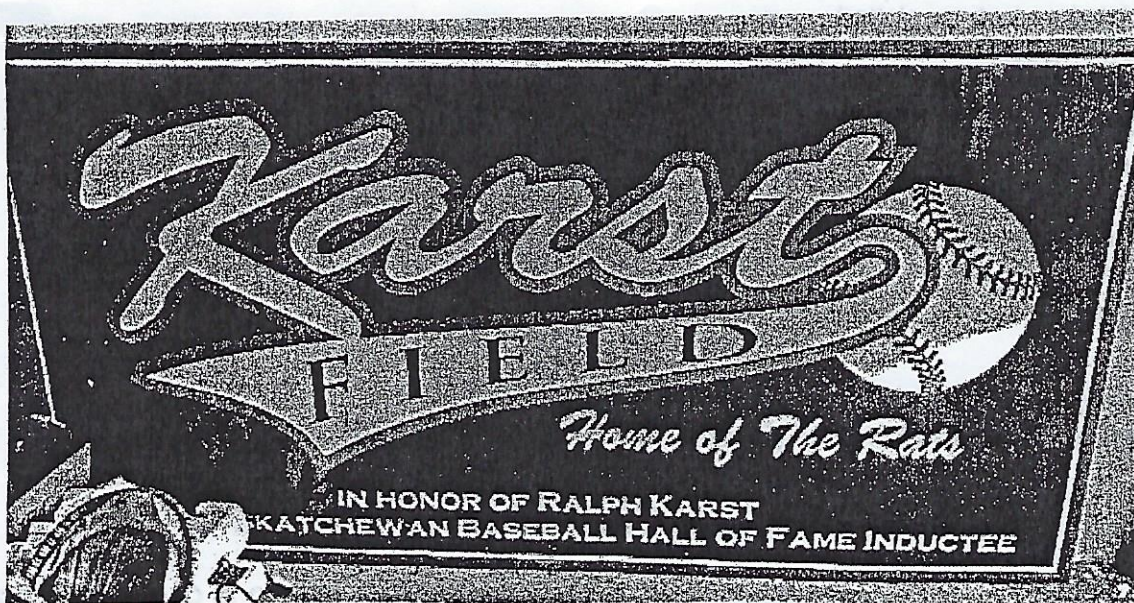
A legacy is anything handed down by an ancestor or predecessor, or from the past. As a person interested in baseball, you can appreciate the value of the rich Baseball Heritage left to us by our predecessors. The Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum was founded in 1983 by the Late David W. Shury, who had a dream of preserving, housing and displaying the rich history of baseball in Saskatchewan and to honour those that were responsible for this heritage. Today, thanks to the dedication of the many volunteers, the Hall of Fame and Museum has operated since 1983. It has always been a tourist attraction but this has increased dramatically with Canada's Biggest Bat now displayed on the premises. This is your invitation to make your legacy in a form of a planned gift to the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum. Contact the office for details.



The 35th Annual Induction will be celebrated Saturday, August 17, 2019, in Battleford!

We are so very pleased to have Fergie Jenkins as our special guest speaker and hope that all you baseball fans will take advantage of such a special induction price of only \$75.00 to share in the celebration of all the 2019 inductees at this 35th Induction, and to be in attendance to hear Mr. Jenkins speak! This is a once in a lifetime opportunity that will support this, your Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum!

Our Silent Auction, held in conjunction with the induction, is very popular and profitable. If you have an item you would like to donate for this auction, we would be pleased to hear from you. Gift cards are popular and easy to send in the mail!



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