
Honoring and Preserving the Sports History of Chautauqua County



Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame

15 West Third Street - Jamestown, NY 14701

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Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame Induction Process FAQ's

1. Who can be inducted into the CSHOF?

For induction into the Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame, a nominee must have been born in, lived in, or achieved in Chautauqua County a name in the world of sports.

Our inductees are from Brocton to Busti, from Clymer to Conewango, from Fredonia to Frewsburg, from Panana to Pine Valley, from Silver Creek to Sherman and from all points in between.

The nominee must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Is or was an outstanding athlete in high school, college, amateur or professional sports.
- Is or was a coach, manager, official or administrator who has made a significant contribution to sports.
- Is an individual who is performing or has performed distinguished service in fostering, developing or effectively helping a sport to prosper.

2. How many inductees are in the Hall of Fame and what sports are represented?

There are currently 145 inductees in the CSHOF from a wide diversity of sports including: auto racing, baseball, basketball, bowling, boxing, canoeing, football, golf, hockey, horseshoes, ice skating, motorcycle racing, pool, rowing, roller skating, shooting, sled dog racing, softball, swimming, tennis, track and field, volleyball, weightlifting and wrestling.

3. Who can make a nomination?

The CSHOF only receives nominations from the public. A nomination form is available from secretary Russ Ecklund at 716-484-7684 or downloadable at

www.chautauquasportshalloffame.org/forms/nomform1.pdf

4. What else needs to be submitted with the nomination form?

It is necessary that all supporting documentation be submitted with the nomination form. The CSHOF does not do any research of its own. We totally rely on the nominator to provide all pertinent information. In addition to a biography of the candidate, copies of scrapbooks, yearbooks, newspaper clippings, magazine articles and photographs are extremely valuable in presenting the qualifications of the nominee.

5. Who decides which nominees are inducted?

The process begins in September of each year when a pre-selection committee, comprised of ten CSHOF directors, carefully reviews the files of all nominees of record. The pre-selection committee then submits a slate of 15-20 possible candidates to the selection committee.

In October, the selection committee, comprised of ten different CSHOF directors, narrows the list of 15-20 nominees to a final list of candidates, generally four to six, which it forwards to the full board of directors.

Finally in November, the entire 30-member board of directors reviews the recommendations of the selection committee and makes the ultimate decision as to who will be inducted.

The announcement of honorees is made annually on December 1.

6. Is it necessary to re-nominate someone each year?

No, once a candidate is nominated, the file remains active indefinitely. It is reviewed annually. Additional information to enhance a file is encouraged and always welcome.

7. Who has been nominated?

<p>Atkinson, Howard C. Bailey, Maxwell F. (Max) Barone, Jr. George L. Barlett,Arnold (Jack) Barlette, Bob Bataitis, George Bates (Hehir), Theresa (Trix) Benson, Robert H. Bloomquist, Jeffrey Black, Walter Bowker, Karen Brucculeri, Jeffrey M. Calarco, Vinnie Cammarata, Sr. Philip J. Card, Clyde Carroll, Bob Carrus,Rich Catania, Anthony (Chief) Caulcrick, Jehuu Cherry, Norm Colburn, Walter J. Cole, Dick Condon, Salvatore (Sam) Conley, Pete Crist, Chuck Damond, John A. Dennison, Chester C. (Chet) Farkas, Geza Feather, Verna Frederes, Ronald Freed, Joe Golen, Ed Goodell, Roger Griffith, Harold G. Guiffreda, Salvatore R. (Sam) Hannon, Oleta F. Hodges, Walter W. Hogan, Donald J. Hoover, Orrie A. Hull, Brian Jaderberg, Albert A. (Red) Johnson, Sr., Alpine (Piney) Johnson, Arthur G. Johnson, J. Robert (Bob) Johnson, Joseph M. Johnson, Walter R. Johnstone, Ron Kalfas, Richard (Dick) Keeney, Jack Kellogg, Kerry Knapp, Fred Krenzer, Robert (Bob)</p>	<p>Kye, Luella Lamb, Chuck Larson, Leslie V. (Les) Larson, Victor S. Laughlin (Greco), Carol Lindstrom, Walfrid (Wally) Lopriore, Michael A. Luciano, Dan MacKinnon, Bob Malinoski, Francis (Doc) Martin (Swanson), Vicki McMillian (Hanson), Sally Miele, Tony Muck, Al Munson, Gene Niles (Freed), Beatrice Norton, Ellis R. (Ellie) Okesson, Otto Olson, Sherwood (Scrubby) Paluch, Frank J. Patterson, Bob Payne, Robert (Bob) Peterson, Stanley Phillips, Tom Pintagro, Carl Pollaro, Jim Pollino, Jr., Joe Prechtl, Tom Priester, Tom Raymond, Curtis M. (Curt) Ressler, Richard C. (Dick) Restivo, Jr., Sam Riddell, Ramsey Riley, Henry (Pat) Rizzo, Sr., Jack Sager, Milt (Buddy) Saglimben, Carl Segerlin, Craig Short, Allen Thope, Denton B. (Dent) Tramuta, Mike Treni, Kristen Turner, Bruce Ulrich, James D. Walker, Beverly M Weaver, J. Emerson (Bud) Webb, Bill (Yogi) Wigley, John (Jack) Williams, Steve (Hawk) Winner, Robert (Bob) Woodfield, Dave</p>
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Inductee of the Month



Lyle Parkhurst was born and lived in Jamestown all his life and is one of the few pitchers ever to jump from junior high school into professional baseball when he signed with the Jamestown Falcons of the PONY League in 1941. He was a member of the Jamestown championship teams of 1941 and 1942.

With Buffalo of the International League in 1943, Parkhurst compiled a 1-3 record. He then came back to Jamestown in 1944 and was 20-10. He returned to Buffalo in 1945 and had an 11-5 record.

Thereafter he pitched for Ashville, North Carolina in the Class B Tri-State League; Pueblo, Colorado of the Western League;

back in the Tri-State League with Rock Hill, South Carolina; and finally with Olean in the PONY League before retiring in 1951.

“Parky” worked two years as an umpire in the PONY League. He also umpired locally for high school, Muny and County League games. He umpired in the Babe Ruth World Series as well. In addition, he officiated basketball games. Lyle Parkhurst was inducted into the Chautauqua Sports Hall of Fame in 1982. He died in 2005.

Greg Peterson has prepared two video clips about Lyle Parkhurst on YouTube. Use the links below:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=htrem7K8890>

Portions of a documentary "Conversation with Lyle Parkhurst". Lyle was one of the foremost pitchers in the history of the Jamestown Falcons of the P.O.N.Y. League having pitched during the 1942, '44 and '45 seasons.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XGkATasOb-o>

Lyle Parkhurst recalls his early days pitching with the Jamestown Falcons in this June 2000 Hot Stove Luncheon interview.