



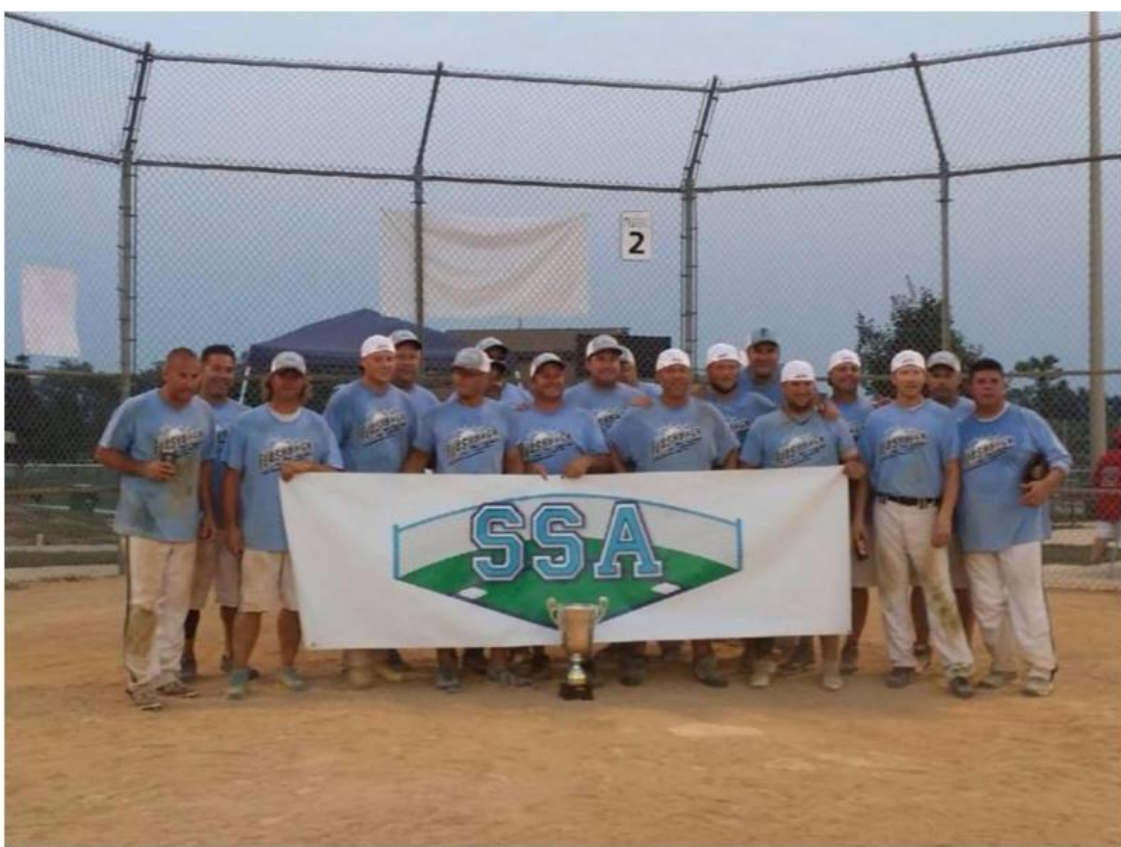
# Rounding Third

Chicago 16-Inch Softball Hall of Fame Monthly Newsletter



## 2015 SSA Men's 16" Major National Championship Highlights

2015 SSA Major Title Champions Flashback!!



In case any of you missed it--- Here is a one Inning recap of the 5th Annual SSA Major National Event LIVE From Elgin. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BNldp5o7YNY>  
Full Game Play by Play will be posted shortly.

2015 SSA Men's 16 Inch Class "A" National Champion Smackout



ASA Labor Day National Champs Solutions



The Hangover team are the new Best of Western champs 2015, run by Paul Rowan. The Hangover team has been playing 16 inch softball for 24 yrs



## 2015 16" Tournaments

Date:	Assoc:	Class:	Tournament Site:	Contact Person:
9/19	SSA	14" Co-Ed Nationals	Melrose Park	ssa2011@comcast.net
9/19	ASA	Class Nationals	Yuma AZ	
10/20	SSA	Las Vegas Invationals		

## 2015 Softball Class for De Paul

For the 7th year in a row the Chicago 16-inch Softball Hall of Fame, in conjunction with DePaul University, taught a class on Chicago's Game to 28 freshman students who come from outside the Chicago area. The main purpose of this class is to introduce the students, thru a 10-week course, to what makes Chicago one of the greatest cities in the world. The course is taught by professor Phil Meyers, whose goal is to let the kids know just what it takes to build a city-from its people, through its many cultural activities and its buildings. One of those activities is 16-inch softball and how it has become one of the many pursuits that make our city so great.

This year's class was held on Thursday September 3rd at the Hall of Fame Museum and at the Forest Park Park District. In the past, the Hall of Fame members would go to DePaul's Lincoln Park campus in Chicago. But now that we have the Museum the class comes to the Hall. The first part of the class is held in the museum where the students are taught by President Ronald Kubicki and Hall of Famer Frank Lentine about the history of softball and its beginnings here in Chicago back in 1887. They are also taught the sociological and economic impact on the city, on the neighborhoods and on the family. They are also exposed to the diversity of the game and how it crosses all races and occupations.



Ron and Frank then gave them a tour of the Museum with Hall of Famers Ron Ziemann and George Bliss so they could see some of the history of the game. After a pizza lunch break we moved out to the Forest Park softball diamond were they are taught on the proper way to throw and catch a 16-inch softball. During the last one hour of the class we divided the kids up into two teams and had a scrimmage game so they could use the new skills just learned. The class ended with a wrap-up and an evaluation. A good time was had by all and plans are already in the works for next year's class.

## Application for 2016 Nomination are Open

We are take nominations up until Friday October 9, 2015. You can find the form and criteria by [Clicking Here](#) and [Here](#).

Please note this form must be filled out completely and mailed to the address listed on the lower left of this page to be formally considered by the Chicago 16" Softball Hall of Fame.

## We are saddened to report that beloved softball player and 16-inch Softball Hall of Fame inductee Roy Kindt passed away.

In nominating Roy Kindt to the Hall of Fame, fellow Hall of Famer, Bob LaMont, describes Roy as someone who was never in the limelight but was someone who had a profound effect on the popularity of 16-inch softball. As one of softball's great managers, he played with some of Chicago's great athletes during the pre-World War II days, earned three battle stars fighting in the Pacific during World War II, and then managed a Hall of Fame team during the 1970s Roy Kindt grew up in the Belmont and Central area of Chicago's West side and attended Steinmetz High School. He played hardball with the Chicago Romans and the Bel Central Cobras. As a center fielder hitting in the number three slot, at seventeen he was the youngest (and possibly the best) player on the team. The Cobras were managed by Johnny Niggling, whose brother Johnny Niggling was known as the New York Yankee killer, and competed against some of the top hardball teams in Chicago: Winkler Motors, Benda Coals, Cole Boosters, the River Grove Nationals, Graylins, and the Giants, a team from Washington Park that featured players from the old Negro League. These players competed for the Kansas City Monarchs, the Birmingham Black Barons, the Memphis Red Sox, and Chicago's own American Giants, who played in the old Chicago White Sox Park. Even though they were beyond their peak playing years, they were still great players. In 1942 Roy left for military service in World War II. He started his twenty-year career in organizing and managing softball teams in the early 60s when he managed the St. Pascal CYO team. He took them to three championships at Clarendon Park and at Grant Park. During the last ten years of his career, he managed the Lyon's 45s, a Northwest side powerhouse and a Hall of Fame team that won numerous league and tournament titles. Because of his managerial skills, they competed against some of the notable South side teams of that era. Our condolences to Roy's family he will be missed!!



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- Plus more

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## Hall Of Fame Museum Fall Schedule

Open Saturday 12:00 to 4:00 Only

To sign up for the newsletter, please email [info@16inchsoftballhof.com](mailto:info@16inchsoftballhof.com)

Sincerely,

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