



2017

## Inductee Park Day

The unveiling of our newest inductee plaques will be hosted Saturday July 22, 2017 10:00 am at Forest Park, IL

- 11:30 - 12:45 Inductees Day Ceremony
- 12:30 - 1:30 Hall of Fame Inductees Game
- 1:45 - 2:30 No Glove Nationals play in games start
- 3:00 - 4:30 No Glove Nationals play in game Championship Game

Hall of Fame Hours this week 7/20:  
Thursday and Friday 530-9:30 pm

Saturday and Sunday noon to 9:30 pm

For more information contact Rachell Entler at 708-366-7500 ext 17, via e-mail:  
rentler@pdofp.org.



## **Channel 5, Channel 2 and Telemundo came out to cover our 16 inch softball clinic.**

I'm very happy today as my good friends from channel 5, Channel 2 and Telemundo came out to McKinley Park to cover our 16 inch softball clinic. I must sadly tell you that one child told me he had no where to go as he was in Foster Care. These young men had never seen a 16 inch Clincher Ball before. Several did not know how to hold a softball bat. Thank God for my volunteers Ray Topps, Mr Fritz Zimmerman of March Softball, Frank Lentine, Bill Cavanaugh, Jim Aconfora, and Police Man Marco Antonio Acevedo. The Look on their faces told the story of hope mixed in with excitement. But the greatest thing that happened was the bringing together of Two Men who had never met. Francisco Arenas and Marco. Francisco works with at risk kids on probation with the county and Marco with CPD. Bingo, they will now work together on Softball Programs.

More on this later. Mr Zimmerman donated some beautiful Hats and Shirts. I want to be Candid here, when The Hats were distributed the kids all put them on backwards. Policeman Acevedo stopped the game for a moment and told everybody to wear the Hats in a traditional manner. I saw that the young men needed the structure.

I will be telling you much more about some future programs.

Thanks again to the Camera Crews.

George Bliss  
16 inch Softball Hall of Fame



## HOF Annual Golf Outing

### Help the Museum by Hitting a Smaller Ball!

Join some of the greatest softball players in history on the links of a great course...and have some fun! Maybe you played 16-inch softball. Maybe you watched your son, daughter, wife or husband play it. Or maybe you stopped by a park during a beautiful summer night to watch a few innings. If one of these scenarios fits you, then you know the importance of preserving the Hall of Fame Museum building at Forest Park.

To sign up contact Rachell Entler, Office 708-366-7500 x 17, Email [rentler@pdofp.org](mailto:rentler@pdofp.org)

[Sign up sheet](#)

## SSA 2017 Events & Tournament Dates

July 14-16	SSA Class "B" Nationals	Piotrowski Park Chicago
July 27-30	No-Glove Nationals	Forest Park
August 5	SSA Golf Outing	Plainfield
August 12	SSA Matt Dosen Major	Westchester Park
August 17-20	SSA Class "A" Nationals	Carol Stream
Aug 31 - Sept 4	SSA Major Nationals	Forest Park
October 7th	SSA Las Vegas Tournament	Las Vegas, NV



Signature wins the Chicago Championships. Chicago Dynasty is the runner up. Hexx 3rd and 45s 4th.

## ASA Tournament Dates

### ASA Tournaments for 2017

#### Men's

- July 29th Best of Western Kennedy Park      Contact Paul Rowan 708-574-6191
- July 29th Killer Bee Archer Park              Contact David Padilla 773-419-7461
- August 5th Eggs Czarnik Memorial Midlothian Park      Tom O'Neil 708-906-0351
- August 19th Nationals Warm Up Midlothian Park      Tom O'Neil 708-906-0351
- August 31st - September 3rd 3rd Annual National Invitational Mt Prospect

#### Women's

- August 5th Women's 16 inch Nationals Midlothian      Tom O'Neil 708-906-0351

## Hall of Fame Museum Schedule

Open Saturday 12:00 to 4:00 Only

Call Rachell Entler at (708) 366-7500 x 17 for an appointment.

## Don't Miss Daily Old Photos on Facebook

Since September, the HOF Facebook page has been showing a different team every day - from the '30s to the contemporary era. In just that short time, we have had an average of 1,000 people view our highlighted teams, individuals, and HOF features and activities. On several occasions, we have even hit 5,000-7,000 views. Check us out! We believe you will enjoy our

page and may see folks you know - or even your own team.

[Click Here To View](#)

## The HOF is Looking for 16 inch Softball Memorabilia

A very nice patch was donated to the HOF. If you have any items that you would like us to consider for display please share by contacting Rachel Entler at Forest Park or drop off on a Saturday afternoon at the museum.

Do you have a great story, photos, or ideas of league or team names you would like to share? Send them to [Tiffany.Hoffman@Maagcommplus.com](mailto:Tiffany.Hoffman@Maagcommplus.com) for a chance to be featured in our next newsletter.

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

Sincerely,

*The Chicago 16-Inch Softball Hall of Fame*

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