

Scrap Iron News

Hall of Fame Nominations

It is time to make nominations for the 2012 Scrap Iron Hall of Fame. Any manager or player may submit nominations in any the four categories: Special, Player, Manager, or Old Timer. Your nominee must be at least 60 years of age (72 for Old Timer) and must have been a member of the Scrap Iron organization for at least 5 years.

Attached are copies of the Hall of Fame Procedures and a Nomination Form. Nominations must be completed and sent to me no later than December 18, 2012.

There are 32 current Hall of Fame Members:

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| Bob Gryzmala, Special 2004 | Don Pierson, Player 2007 |
| Dave Bray, Player 2005 | Bob Wiltgen, Player 2007 |
| Mariano 'Sig' DeCola, Special 2005 | Arlen Amundson, Player 2008 |
| Ken Green, Special 2005 | Dennis Lutz, Player 2008 |
| Jerry Reidy, Special 2005 | Harry Newman, Manager 2008 |
| Bob, Sims, Player 2005 | Stan Suichta, Player 2008 |
| Murl Skalla, Manager 2005 | Jack Davis, Player 2009 |
| Gene Anderson, Player 2006 | Mike Massong, Special 2009 |
| Bill Brown, Player 2006 | John 'Rocket' Ricketts, Player 2009 |
| Gary Glick, Player 2006 | Bob Ross, Player 2009 |
| Fred Johnson, Player 2006 | Rick 'Bert' Hertzke, Player 2010 |
| Hervey 'Mac' MacFerran, Player 2006 | Bob Bennett, Player 2010 |
| Ernest 'Ernie' Westwick, Player 2006 | Larry Neal, Player 2010 |
| Greg Broeckelman, Player 2007 | Dean Neff, Player 2010 |
| Jack Eberhard, Special 2007 | Rob Clark, Player 2011 |
| Phil Field, Special 2007 | Jim Davidson, Player 2011 |

The 2012 Inductees will be announced at the Scrap Iron Banquet on January 26, 2013.

Completed nomination forms can be mailed to Bert Hertzke at 427 Pelican Cove, Windsor, CO 80550 or emailed to berthertzke@yahoo.com. Call 870-381-2664 or email me with questions.

Thank you,

Rick 'Bert' Hertzke

Message from Bart Prieve, Our New Fund Raising Chairman

Contributions to the Scrap Iron Softball Club are always needed and welcome. Please watch your email for a special message on year-end donations.

Western Nationals Update

The Scrap Iron Board of Directors approved \$10,000 of funds to be included in a bid to retain the Western Nationals in Aurora for 2013. The Visit Aurora organization was the only party willing to provide a bid to SSUSA and the Visit Aurora Board limited their financial participation to \$5,000. SSUSA has reviewed this \$15,000 financial offer (\$5,000 Visit Aurora plus \$10,000 Scrap Iron Softball Club) and decided to award the 2013 Western Nationals to Sacramento. This is extremely disappointing after the nearly unanimous great comments about the 2012 event. Greg Broeckelman worked very hard to generate a competitive bid.

There may be some good news in the midst of this disappointment. SSUSA has offered Visit Aurora the opportunity to host a new 2013 TOC qualifier tournament, the Rocky Mountain Championships. There would be no cost to the Scrap Iron Club. We will know more in the near future if Visit Aurora accepts SSUSA's offer. Hopefully, many of the Midwest and Rocky Mountain teams who participated in the 2012 Western Nationals would want a return trip to Colorado and the great tournament venue in Aurora.

Contact Person for Potential Players and New Teams

Our Scrap Iron Vice-President, Terry Goodrich, is going to coordinate requests and information about players trying to find a team, teams trying to find players, and new teams desiring entrance into the Scrap Iron Softball Club. Please send all of these types of requests to Terry at terrygoodrich@comcast.net. We will continue to include team needs in our email blasts.

Scrap Iron 65 AA Classics Need Players

The Classics are trying to recruit more local players. Please direct any interested player to DuWayne Pillard at d69zcam@comcast.net, or 303-437-5340.

Board of Directors Meeting Reminder

Don't forget the fall Board of Directors meeting at 10:00 a.m. on December 1st at 900 South Broadway. Discussion items should be forwarded to Alan Wiechmann at a.wiechmann@comcast.net or 303-981-3648.

Alan Wiechmann