



Arizona Softball Foundation Diamond Highlights

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Hall of Fame Life Time Members

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Burton JoAnna
Caito Rickie
Christpherson
Dennis
Crumm Bill
Dutton John
Ferguson
Dennis
Fletcher Ed
Fries Roy
Funari Nancy
Gano Diana
Glassecock Jessie
Goodrich
Warren
Groves Stan
Hammann Betty
Harper Lloyd
Harris Dave
Hoke Judy
Judd Ray
Lane Joseph
Lane Nickol
Lewis Bob
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Madrid Lisa
McCasland Jim
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Pine John
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Hall of Fame Inducts Four New Members

The Women's Hall of Fame Selection Committee has chosen for this years Induction the following contributors:



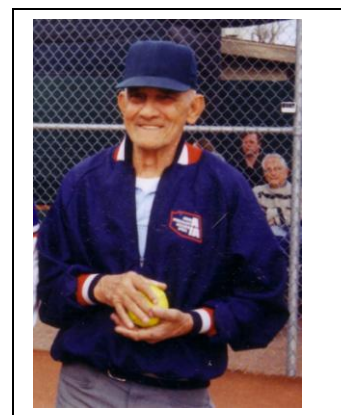
*Karen
Mischlispy*

For the first inductee we have, Karen Mischlispy. Through her role as Recreation Supervisor for Sports for the City of Phoenix, she was responsible for the development of the softball facilities and programs in the Greater Phoenix Area. As Recreation Supervisor for Sports, Karen secured the first National Softball Championship for Phoenix in 1990. At the National Tournament, Karen helped to create the Women's Softball Legends Game to Honor Arizona and National Hall of Fame Players.

She has been the Vice President of the Arizona Softball Foundation for over 9 years. Through her work on the board Karen helped to establish the new home for the Arizona Softball Hall of Fame in Prescott, Arizona.

The second women's inductee in the contributor category is Roy Fries. Roy has umpired for the past 62 years. He

umpired several invitational, metro, regional and national tournaments.



*The Arizona
Softball
Foundation
selected
Roy as the
1976
Umpire of
the Year.*

Roy was an A.S.A. Deputy Junior Olympic Commissioner for three years. He assisted in the organization and development of Junior Olympic girls softball tournaments.

Roy was the Recipient of the John McGonigle Memorial Award for Umpire Excellence in 1998. This award was presented by A.S.A.



The Men's Committee has inducted a player and a contributor this year. They are also recognizing the 1994 Advocate Men's Fast Pitch Team for their many years of high level competition.

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Men's Player Inductee, Rex Dernovich in the mid 1960's hit for a 565 average....

Rex played third base from 1963 to 1976 for the following teams: Mitcham Construction, Hays Roofing, Sports Club, and the Turquoise Kings. In the 1963 State Tournament, he received the Outstanding Hitter Award. Rex played on the 1974 Runner up National Championship Team in a Turquoise Kings uniform.

Throughout his career he played in seven ISC National Championship Tournaments, and on four Arizona Championship teams.



Andy Eggen Men's contributor Inductee

At this years banquet, Andy Eggen will be inducted as a contributor by the Men's Membership Committee for his many years as sponsor of men's fast pitch softball. He not only sponsored his teams but he also managed many of the teams.



The 1994 Advocate Men's Fast Pitch Team was the 1996 North American Fast Pitch Association Champion. The Advocate beat the Canadian Team 4-3 for the championship in Salt Lake City, Utah. They won the 1994 Prescott Memorial Day Tournament, 1994 Prescott Fourth of July Tournament, and the Gold Medal at the 1994 Grand Canyon State Games. They took 5th place in the ASA 1994 Men's National Championship in Palm Springs, California.

In Memorial



Florabelle Walker Davies

This past year, the softball world lost two of its pioneer players. Florabelle (Walker) Davies was inducted into the Arizona Softball Hall of Fame in 2006. She played second base and outfield for the National Champion A-1 Queens. The ASF would like to thank the Florabelle Davies family & friends for their donations to the Softball Hall of Fame in Florabelle's name.



Barbara Holmes Partridge

We also lost Barbara (Holmes) Partridge this year. Barbara pitched & played outfield for the Glendale Sweethearts from 1950 to 1954. Barbara was one of many Sweethearts honored at last years banquet. The Foundation would like to take this opportunity to thank her family and friends for their donations given in Barbara's name to the Arizona Softball Foundation.





Membership

If your membership has expired, please take time to complete the enclosed membership form. Your membership dues in the Arizona Softball Hall of Fame helps provide recognition for fast pitch softball players, coaches, umpires, sponsors and contributors. Your membership continues to celebrate the great game of fast pitch softball.

Now is the time to renew your membership and share the membership form with your friends. This organization will grow through continued support from fast pitch softball enthusiasts.

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Member at Large	Dennis Stillwell
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Important!!!

Please contact Karen Mischlispy at 602-438-2928 if you are interested in serving on the ASF Board.

Membership Information

Annual dues: \$20.00

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This year's induction banquet will be held at the Sheraton Crescent Hotel on August 16, 2008. Registration begins at 6:00 pm with the dinner starting at 7:00 pm. The Induction Ceremony will begin at 8:30 pm.

Tickets for this year's banquet will be \$35.00. Please contact Bobbie Forner at 602-266-7125 or write Bobbie at 6336 North 11th St., Phoenix, AZ 85014 for ticket information.

Deadline for Tickets is August 4th 2008.

Rooms are available at the Crescent for \$79.00. Deadline for special room rates is also August 4th.

There will be a silent auction and a 50-50 raffle prior to the induction ceremony.

Come and join your fellow softball friends for a night of fun and entertainment.

First Golf Tournament in the Pines a Success

Antelope Hills
Golf Course

Thirty-two players entered the first annual ASF golf tournament in the pines. Nearly \$1,000.00 was raised for the ASF Foundation.

The Fletcher foursome captured first place in the men's division. Second place was won by Dennis Christopherson, Terry Brenner, Payne, and Dick Greisser. First place in the mixed division was won by Karen Mischlispy, Rich Vonney and Bob Dempster. Men's Closest to the Pin

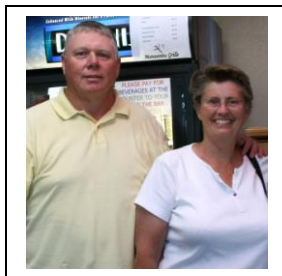
was won by Jack Hanna. Women's closest to the pin was won by Karen Mischlispy. Women's longest drive went to Nancy Funari. Men's longest drive was won by Paul Fletcher.

The weather was great. The play was outstanding. We're looking forward to a bigger and better tournament next year.

Included in this mailing is the flyer for our fall tournament at Aguila Golf Course in Phoenix on September 20th with a shot gun start at 7:30.



*Fletcher Team Win
Mens' Division Again*



*Karen Mischlispy, Rich Vonney,
and Bob Dempster (not pictured)
Wins the Mixed Division*



*The Team of Christopherson, Brenner,
Payne, and Greisser place 2nd in the Mens'
Division.*