



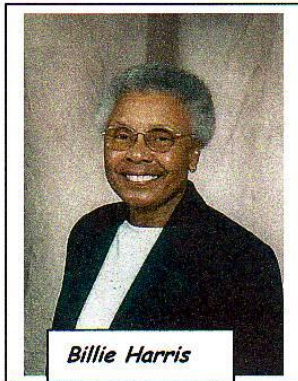
Arizona Softball Foundation Diamond Highlights

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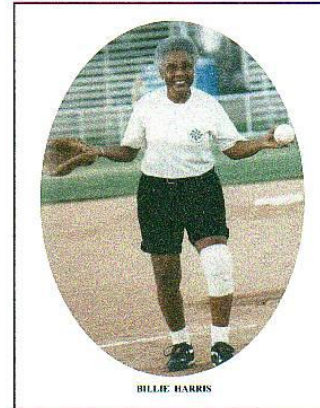
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Arizona Sports Hall of Fame Honors Billie Harris



Billie Harris



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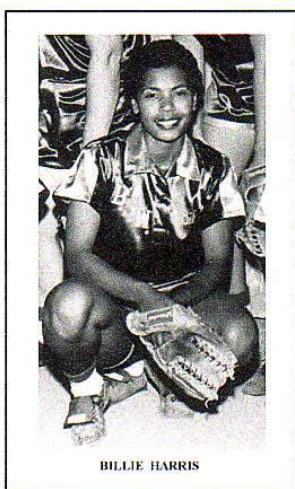
The Phoenix Regional Sports Commission and USA Basketball chief Jerry Colangelo announced Tuesday the four newest inductees: horse racing trainer Bob Baffert, former NBA player and University of Arizona star Sean Elliott, women's softball pioneer Billie Harris and former University of Arizona men's basketball coach Lute Olson.

The Arizona Sports Hall of Fame was founded in 1957 by the Phoenix Press Box Association. The Association held 36 induction ceremonies before ceasing operations in 1991. The Phoenix Regional Sports Commission took over the Hall of Fame and re-launched in 2009.

Billie is a women's softball pioneer who has lived in Arizona for decades. She was the first African-American player to be inducted to the National Softball Hall of Fame in 1982.

She was voted most valuable player in the 1969 national tournament in Tucson, she was a five-time All-American pitcher and was voted to the Pacific Coast Women's Softball League all-star team 18 times. Her career in softball started with the Tucson Sunshine Girls in 1947, and then she moved to the nationally ranked Ramblers in 1952, joined the Yakima Washington Webbcats in 1966 and returned to pitch for the Sun City Saints in 1970.

The 40th induction ceremony of the Arizona Sports Hall of Fame is slated for April 8, 2010, and is being co-chaired by Jerry Colangelo and Al Maag. For more information contact Ed Durkin at Ed@phoenixsports.org.



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Last Reminder for New Nominees

The Arizona Softball Foundation is now accepting nominations for the 2010 Softball Hall of Fame. If you want to nominate a female player or contributor to the game of Arizona Softball, contact:

Joanna Burton at 623-979-6823.
Joanna will send you a nomination form.

To nominate a male player or contributor contact:

John White at 520-836-6096.

**Deadline for Nominations
April 26, 2010**



Mark Your Calendar for Coming Events

2010 Induction Banquet

This year's induction banquet will again be held at the Sheraton Crescent Hotel on August 14, 2010.

2010 Golf Tournament

The tenth annual ASF Golf Tournament is scheduled on September 18th at Aguila Golf Course. All proceeds to benefit the ASF Scholarship Program and ASF Hall of Fame. Sponsorships available: Call Karen Mischlispy at 602-438-2928.

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