

Arizona Softball Foundation Diamond Highlights

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2018 Hall of Fame Inductees



<u>Women's Contributor: Hank Duffy:</u> Hank began his 42 years as a pitcher for many men's softball teams in Arizona. From those early playing years, Hank moved on to coaching high school, college, and girls club teams. His heart was in teaching girls to throw fast pitch softball. In his 60 plus years in softball, Hank has truly left his mark, with private pitching lessons for: Debbie Doom, Michelle Duncan, Lauren Hauger and many more. In 1999 Hank joined Emily Alexander's Cactus Umpire Staff. He umpired for 13 years.



Women'sPlayer: Ann Rowan Pierson: She began playing softball at the age of 8. She played high school ball at McClintock High School playing varsity for four years. In 1987, Ann received a scholarship to attend ASU, where she played four years and where she earned All Conference, All Region and All American honors. Ann was a member of the USA National team and went on to win gold as a member of the Pan American Team in 1991 and 1992. After leaving college, she joined the coaching staff at ASU for seven years. In 2006 she was inducted into ASU Sports Hall of Fame. She is currently starting her 16th year as the head softball coach for Grand Canyon University.



Player: Michael "Mike" Rivera: In 1977, Mike played softball for 17 years until he retired in 1994. He played in ISC State Travel League for 11 years. Mike played in six ISC World Tournaments and four ASA National Tournaments. He was invited to try out for the 1991 U.S. National Pan American Team. Some of the teams he played on were Prescott Merchants, Prescott Mustangs, and the Amigos'. In 1989, 1990, and 1992, he was a member of the ISC Travel League championship team. He also was a member of six city league championship teams from 1983 to 1988.



<u>Veteran Player: Steve "Rocky" Roberts:</u> Rocky started playing softball in 1976 in the Phoenix Metro League. In 1977 he joined the Southern Truck Raiders team for two years. The next team he played on was the 1979 Turquoise Kings from Kingman. Moving on to his next team he joined the 7th Avenue Auto Parts Team. Rocky's last team was the Kelland Warriors. These teams represent some of the best softball teams in Arizona. In 1989, he was asked to play in the Bar Mitzvah Maccabiah Tournament as a member of the United States Jewish National Team. It was the first year the United States Team won the Bar Mitzvah Maccabiah Tournament. Steve's RBI single drove in the winning run.

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2018 Banquet Information

Mark your calendar for Saturday, August 11, 2018 to attend this year's Arizona Softball Hall Fame Banquet at the Double Tree Phoenix North. This year's inductees are: Mike Rivera – Player, Steve (Rocky) Roberts – Veteran, Hank Duffy – Contributor, Ann Rowan Pierson - Player. Cost for the banquet is \$50 per person and \$20 for 10 years and under.

This year's banquet will have a special Arizona Softball Hall of Fame display including a historical time line of softball in the United States. This years' Silent Auction will have sports tickets, wine baskets, rounds of golf, gift baskets, and softball memorabilia. Bring your check book and support the ASF Scholarship Program. Come join your softball family and celebrate with our new inductees.

Banquet Program

Reception: 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Special Reception Video through the evening

Silent Auction: 4:30 PM - 6:45 PM (Bring your check book)

Dinner served at 6:00 PM

Pre Banquet Program: 6:45 PM Silent Auction, Introduction of the Scholarship winners, special introductions, and information for the ASF Golf Tournament.

Arizona Softball Hall of Fame presentation: 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Special video for each of our new inductees will be shown featuring their story.



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17th ANNUAL ASF CHARITY GOLF TOURNEY

Proceeds will benefit the ASF Scholarship Program for qualified students attending one of the Arizona Community Colleges.

ASF is a 501c3 nonprofit and the federal tax number: 90-0918768

SATURDAY, SEPTEMTER 22, 2018

Legacy Golf Club, 6808 South 32nd Street, Phoenix, AZ 85042 The Legacy Golf Club was voted the number 1 public course in Phoenix. Shot gun start at 7:30 AM

Registration will be accepted post marked no later than September 14. If you have questions regarding registration, contact Karen at 602 438-2928 (this number does not accept text).

PLAYER REGISTRATION

Please print

Team Captain:				
Contact: Phone:				
Email:				
Team Name:				
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Individuals will be placed on a				
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If you are unable to attend you can				
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scholarship program.				
Make Checks payable to:				
Arizona Softball Foundation				
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3818 E. St. Catherine Ave.				
Phoenix, AZ 85042				
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Promote your business, wish someone happy anniversary, honor Hall of Fame members, or any other softball celebration.

<u>Tee Sponsor:</u> \$100 One special Tee sign with your name or business logo.

<u>Contest Hole Sponsor</u>: \$150 Custom Tee sign with your business logo.

<u>Vegas Hole Sponsor</u>: \$175 Custom Tee sign with your business logo. Special promotional material may be given out at the hole.

<u>Cart Sponsor:</u> \$200 Custom sign with your business loge. Two signs will be made and place on the two beverage carts.

<u>Player Bag Sponsor</u>: \$250 Provide your business bag with your promotions items for each player.

Contact Ed Fletcher evenings only at 480-831-6924 or Karen Mischlispy at 602-438-2928

17th Annual ASF Golf Tourney

This year's event will be played at the Legacy Golf Club located at 6808 South 32nd Street, Phoenix, AZ 85042.

Date: Saturday, Sept. 22, Shotgun Start: 7:30 AM

Check-In: 6:15AM until 7:00AM

Registration: will be accepted through September 14. Late registration will be accepted if space is available.

Cost: \$85 per player/\$340 team Includes: practice balls, golf, awards, luncheon, contest holes and fun!

Mulligans, String & Raffle tickets can be purchased at check-in. Divisions: Men, Women & Mix Awards: 5+ foursomes: 1st-3rd Pl 4 foursomes: 1st & 2nd Pl 3 foursomes: 1st Pl only If a division has only one team, they will be place in another division.

Membership Information

Annual du	ies:	\$20.00		
3-Year Me	ember:	\$50.00		
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Send To:	Send To: ASF - Rita Stilwell			
	19741 W	est Colter Street		
Litchfield Park, Arizona 85340				
Phone: 623-853-1012				
Make Checks Payable to: Arizona Softball Foundation				

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

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Paula Stufflebeam

In Memoriam

Paula passed away on September 11, 2017 Paula was inducted in the Arizona Softball Foundation Hall of Fame in 2013. Paula played for ASU and the Sun City Saints. She served as a member of the ASU Softball Board and the Arizona Softball Foundation.



Thelma Keith

Thelma passed away September 2017. She was inducted into the Arizona Softball Hall of Fame in 2000. She served on the ASF Board the Women's selection committee. Thelma played for the Sun City Saints, and PBSW Ramblers.