



Newsletter of the BSL Hall of Fame

Year in Review - 2010

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Rick Twomey HOF'10 inducted

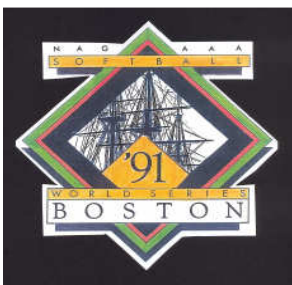


Frank Berardis, HOF'10 inducted

BSL Glimpses & Milestones:



Frank Ribaldo, HOF'05, Co-Chairs
a very successful 13th Minuteman!



BSL Hosts World Series-20 yrs ago!



BSL, with other gay sports groups,
officially attend Fenway- 5 yrs ago!



Hall of Fame Induction Day June 19, 2010

4 Enter "Hall" in 2010

Amid an intimate gathering at Club Cafe, our new Hall of Famers were inducted! Traveling from California for his Induction was **Ricky Twomey**. He was met with fond support from his BSL family, most notably his 'Southenders'! **Frank Berardis'** sisters and their husbands joined his 'Stray Cats' & 'Thunder' teammates for his Induction. **Matt Collins** sadly regretted his absence due to his move to Chicago that day. And **Leslie Tiffany, HOF'06** accepted the Medal of Induction for the late **Don Homer**.



Frank Berardis, HOF'10 & his sisters



Rick Twomey, HOF'10 & his BSL family

Newest Hall of Fame Members:

- ▶ **Frank Berardis**- BSL member since 1986. Now coach/player- Paradise Rebels. Coach-Stray Cats.
- ▶ **Matt Collins**- BSL member since 1990. Matt is currently a player for the Alley Thunder team.
- ▶ **Don Homer**- BSL member from 1980 to 1993. A BSL founder and publicist, Don is now deceased.
- ▶ **Rick Twomey**- BSL member from 1989-2006. Rick now lives and plays gay softball in California.

Sixth Induction Event at Club Cafe!



Gary Brenner, HOF'05, Master of Ceremonies



Frank Berardis, HOF'10 with his Stray Cat team



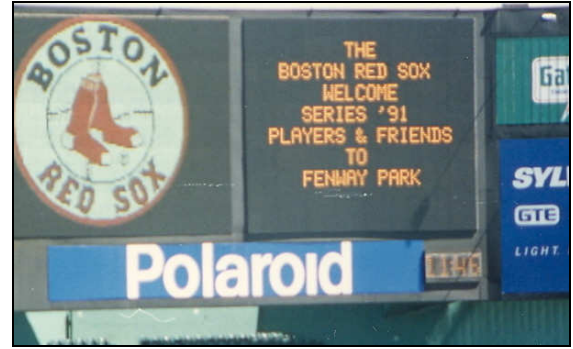
Jerry Izzo & Rick Twomey, HOF'10



Hall of Famers: Leslie, Henry, Warren & Seth

4th Annual “Winter Social” set for February 5!

Set February 5th aside on your calendars and join us at the BSL Winter Social! The Hall of Fame met to discuss the event. First on the list was to spread the word to as many of our current and former BSL friends as possible! This is a great reunion for every BSL generation and era! We will also recognize the 20th anniversary of the World Series hosted here in Boston by the BSL! And, as the



Fenway welcomes World Series guests in '91

10th season of the 1st Clinic Day players begins, we will recognize the success of that program! Finally, we certainly can't let the evening pass without recognizing the successes that the BSL saw in its most recent season, especially the World Series Championship of Ramrod Machine and the great showing by the other BSL teams. And, of course, the successful Minuteman XIII!

Beantown Softball League	
Beantown Softball Clinic April 13 th Agenda	
10:30am-11:00am	Stretching and Throwing
11:00am-11:15am	Coaches present responses to the following questions: • Team Name and Sponsor

1st Clinic Day -Field Agenda Instructions

Ramrod Machine- World Series '10 Champions!

The World Series Championship in 2010 in Columbus is a testimony in persistence for Ed Fernald, HOF'05, and his Ramrod Machine! After taking the helm as its coach in 2004,



Ed has seen Machine strongly contend in all of its GSWS appearances, coming as close as 3rd. They kept fighting, and after 7 years of tenacity they earned their illusive prize!

Machine's Championship makes Boston the only city to have won a NAGAAA GSWS Championship in all divisions (A,B,C,D)!

BSL Awards Banquet held at “Manhunt Mansion”

The Chestnut Hill home of Jonathan Critchley, co-founder of the internet social networking and hookup site for gay men, played host to the BSL Banquet in August. A generous sponsor to the BSL in 2010, “Manhunt” provided the space, food, & drink at no cost to the BSL for the day. Manhunt was also instrumental in the success of



Defibrillators were on hand for any HOF members needing cardiac assistance!Yike!!

Minuteman'10, donating significant funds & other resources! After three years of having sponsored a team in the BSL, Manhunt has certainly increased their involvement and sponsorship within the BSL!



Mark McGrath, HOF'06 Inducted into the NAGAAA HOF in August!



Jim Vierra, HOF'07 (above) & Ken McNeill, HOF'05 (below), dealing at BSL Casino Night, earned money for the HOF Boosters Club!



Frank Ribaudo, HOF'05 receives the Commissioners Award for a great Minuteman & BSL career



HOF Website updates!

- * Newest Inductee Biographies
- * BSL Yearly Archives
- * Historic Documents & items!!



Machine coach Ed Fernald, HOF'05. World Champ!



Manhunt co-founder Jonathan Critchley (center) with Frank Ribaudo, HOF'05 and Joe Posa



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Boosters Club!

Thank you to those who are asking about contributing to the Boosters Club already!

I know a lot of us choose a ticket to the Winter Social as a 'gift' for donating to the Boosters Club, so we'll get those letters out asap! Regardless, any amount helps!

The Boosters Club is also looking at other means of raising funds beyond the kind generosity of our HOF members such as; sponsorship from local area businesses, HOF website sponsors, and similar means.

We aren't looking for huge amounts, only enough to keep the HOF self-sustaining!

A last note.....

I am looking forward to February's "Winter Social" event, especially after so many of our BSL friends of the past came to be together with us again last winter! No one wanted to go home afterwards! And....well, they didn't. They flowed out into Club Café, and over to Fritz until the 'wee hours'. I'm certainly very confident that many of them will return this year. But keep spreading the word about this great Annual Event so that more and more of our longtime BSL friends will discover it!

The Winter Social is also a great opportunity to discuss and awaken ideas about new HOF candidates! Please remember: nomination season is open! No need to wait until May!

I wish you a Happy, & Healthy Holiday Season and a great New Year ahead!

Jim



Dana Brunelle
1957-2010

Rest in Peace Dear Friend

Hall of Fame Calendar:

February 5, 2011
"Winter Social"

May 7, 2011
Nomination Deadline- HOF Candidates

May 21, 2011
Election- New Hall of Fame Inductees

June 18, 2011
Hall of Fame Induction Event

Don't Forget! February 5

Let's get together at the
"Winter Social" @ Club Cafe

5:00pm – Social/Cocktails
6:30pm – Dinner

Honoring - "91 World Series"
Hosted by BSL - 20th Anniversary

Honoring - "1st Clinic Day"
Players begin 10th season!

Recognizing - "2010 Success"
World Series '10, Minuteman XIII

MEMBERS OF THE HALL OF FAME :

1970's Era

Seth Hyde '78
Gigs Kreger '78
Ken McNeill '78
Frank Mickelson '78
Jim Vierra '78
Henry Weinberger '78
Bob Burnham '78
Jeffrey Pike '79
Gary Staples '79
Leslie Tiffany '79

1980's Era

Bob Bucchino '80
Kevin Docherty '80
Don Homer '80, RIP
John Cutting '81, RIP
Vinnie Peruzzi '81, RIP
Rudy Beccera '82, RIP
Warren Mitchell '82
Jan Pytlak '82
Gary Brenner '83
Bill Hull '83
Joe Peltier '83

1990's Era

Matt Collins '90
Peter O'Leary '90
Frank Ribauda '90
Paul Gedman '91
Buck Bachman '94
Chris Burke '94
Stephen Barlow '95
Jack Campbell '95
Mark Haas '95
Paul Moreno '95
Sandro Frattura '96
Jim McNulty '97
Bob McNulty '98