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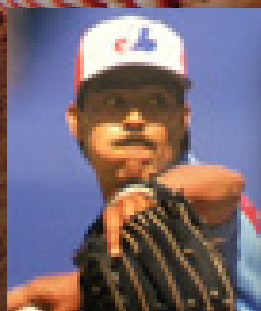
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From the Office of the Mayor

On behalf of Town Council, welcome to St. Marys and the 2016 Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame Museum Induction Ceremony! I would like to extend heartfelt congratulations to this year's inductees. Thank you to the Hall of Fame's staff, board members, volunteers, sponsors and fans. Your dedication makes this unique attraction a success year after year.

During your stay, we hope you'll explore St. Marys' Heritage Conservation District with its one-of-a-kind shops, home-grown restaurants, and historic limestone buildings. Our trails also offer wonderful views of the town's parkland and rivers. Finally, we invite you to return in July for Canada Day and Heritage Festival events featuring live entertainment and fun for all ages.

Once more, welcome! We hope you enjoy your visit and look forward to seeing you again.

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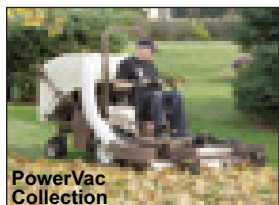


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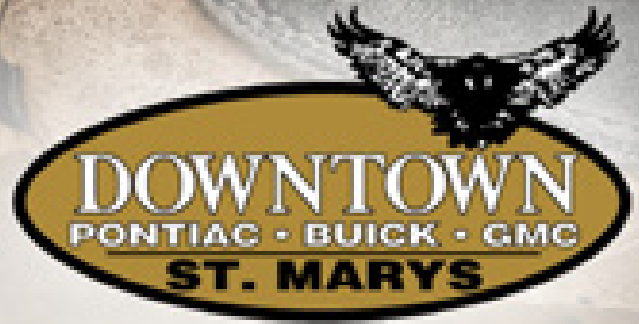
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Induction Class including former
National Team Coach
Wayne Norton along with
Tony Kubek, Pat Hentgen,
Dennis Martinez,
William Shuttlesworth
& Howard Starkman.*

2016 INDUCTEES

St. Marys, Ont. – It's one of the most diverse inductee classes in the 33-year history of the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame.

Ex-Toronto Blue Jays pitcher Pat Hentgen and former Montreal Expos hurler Dennis Martinez will be inducted in a ceremony on June 18 in St. Marys, Ont., along with trailblazing Canadian scout Wayne Norton (Winnipeg, Man.), long-time Blue Jays executive Howard Starkman (Toronto, Ont.) and early Blue Jays TV analyst Tony Kubek. Baseball pioneer William Shuttlesworth (Brantford, Ont.) will also be enshrined posthumously.

"We're proud to honour such a diverse class. Each of the new inductees has made a significant contribution to baseball in Canada in their own unique way," said Scott Crawford, the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame's director of operations. "We're looking forward to celebrating their careers in St. Marys this June."

The induction ceremony will be part of a festival of events that will also include a celebrity slo-pitch game and home run derby (June 16), the Hall's 20th annual celebrity golf tournament and banquet (June 17) and a Downtown Family Baseball Street Festival (June 18).



Born in 1968 in Detroit, Mich., Hentgen has been part of the Toronto Blue Jays organization as a player, coach, ambassador or special assistant for 26 years. The intense right-hander was selected by the Blue Jays in the fifth round of the 1986 MLB amateur draft and he saw his first regular big league action with the club in 1992 when he pitched 28 games, primarily out of the bullpen, for the franchise's first World Series-winning squad.

In the ensuing season, he was inserted into the rotation and

blossomed into an all-star, registering 19 regular season victories and winning Game 3 of the World Series to help the Blue Jays capture their second consecutive championship. From there, the 6-foot-2 righty evolved into the club's ace. After being selected to his second all-star game in 1994, Hentgen won 20 games and topped the American League in innings pitched (265-2/3), complete games (10) and shutouts (3) in 1996 to become the first Blue Jay to win the American League Cy Young Award. For an encore, he led the American

League in games started (35), innings pitched (264), complete games (9) and shutouts (3) in 1997.

In all, in 10 seasons with the Blue Jays, Hentgen registered 107 wins (fifth-most in franchise history). He also ranks fifth all-time amongst Blue Jays hurlers in games started (238), innings pitched (1,636), strikeouts (1,028) and shutouts (9).

Hentgen also pitched for the St. Louis Cardinals (2000) and Baltimore Orioles (2001 to 2003) during his 14-year major league

career. After hanging up his playing spikes, he returned to the Blue Jays to work as a spring training instructor and he'd later serve as a team ambassador and as the club's bullpen coach. He's currently a special assistant with the team.

"When I was told the news about being inducted into the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame, I thought, 'What an honour!'" said Hentgen. "I'm looking forward to a great weekend."



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PAT HENTGEN

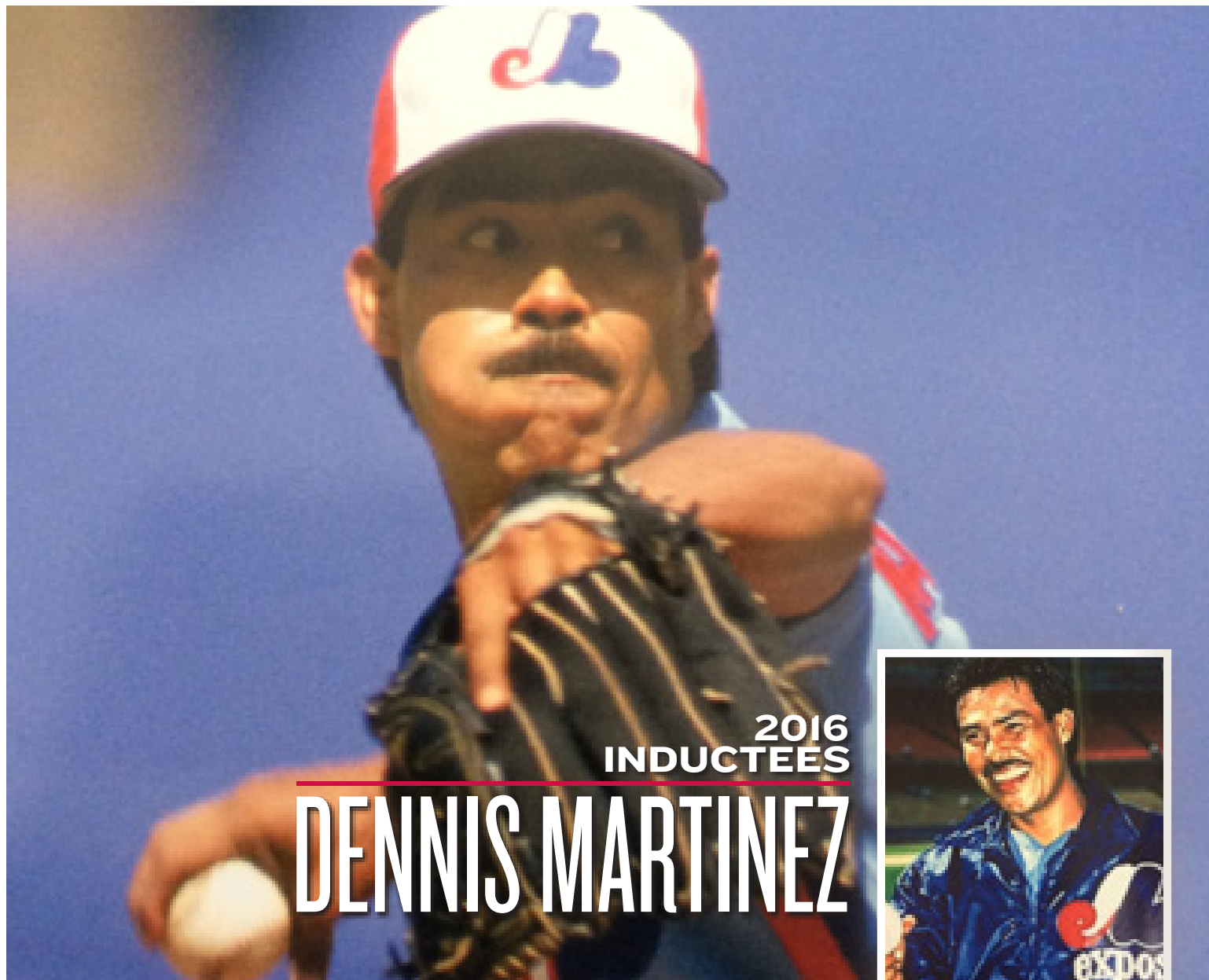


HOWARD **STARKMAN**



TONY **KUBEK**





2016
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DENNIS MARTINEZ



Born in 1954 in Granada, Nicaragua, Martinez recorded 100 wins (second-most in franchise history) in parts of eight seasons with the Montreal Expos from 1986 to 1993. The durable right-hander also ranks second all-time amongst Expos pitchers in games started (233) and innings pitched (1,609) and third in strikeouts (973), complete games (41) and shutouts (13). Nicknamed “El Presidente,” Martinez was the first Nicaraguan to play in the major leagues, and when he tossed a perfect game on July 28, 1991 – the only one in

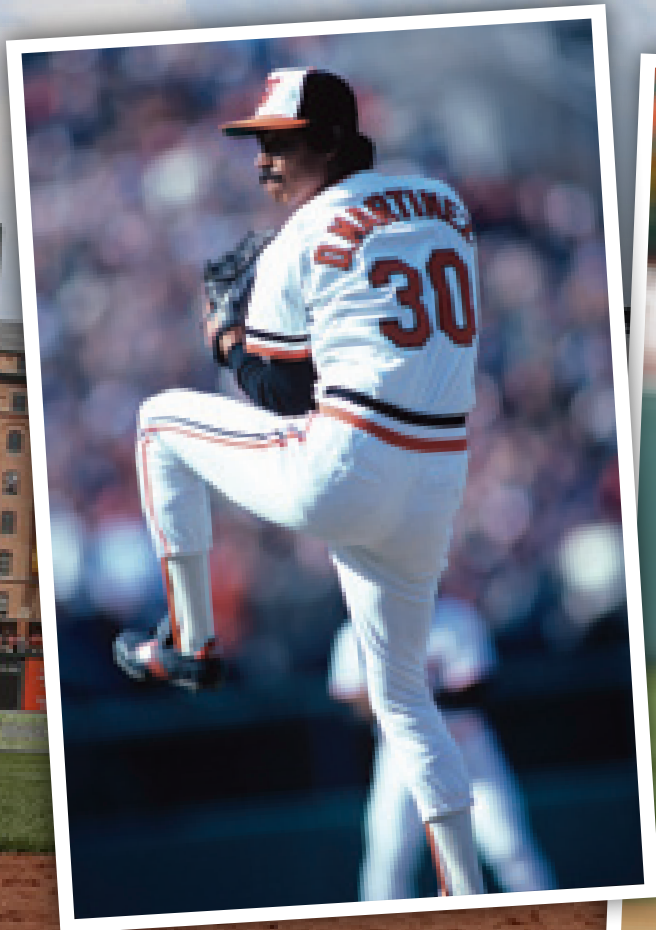
Expos history – the club’s play-by-play man and 2014 Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame inductee Dave Van Horne famously quipped “El Presidente, El Perfecto.”

During his tenure with the Expos, Martinez was selected to three all-star games (1990 to 1992) and in 1991, he topped the National League in ERA (2.39), complete games (9) and shutouts (5). In his eight seasons with Montreal, he posted a combined 3.06 ERA and won 10 or more games seven times and 15 or more four times.

Martinez was traded to Montreal on June 16, 1986 after accumulating 108 wins in his first 11 seasons with the Baltimore Orioles. In also registering 100 wins for the Expos, Martinez became one of only 10 pitchers to reach the century mark in wins in both the National League and American League. He also toed the rubber for the Cleveland Indians (1994 to 1996), Seattle Mariners (1997) and Atlanta Braves (1998) during his 23-year major league career and finished with 245 victories, which ranks 52nd all-time.

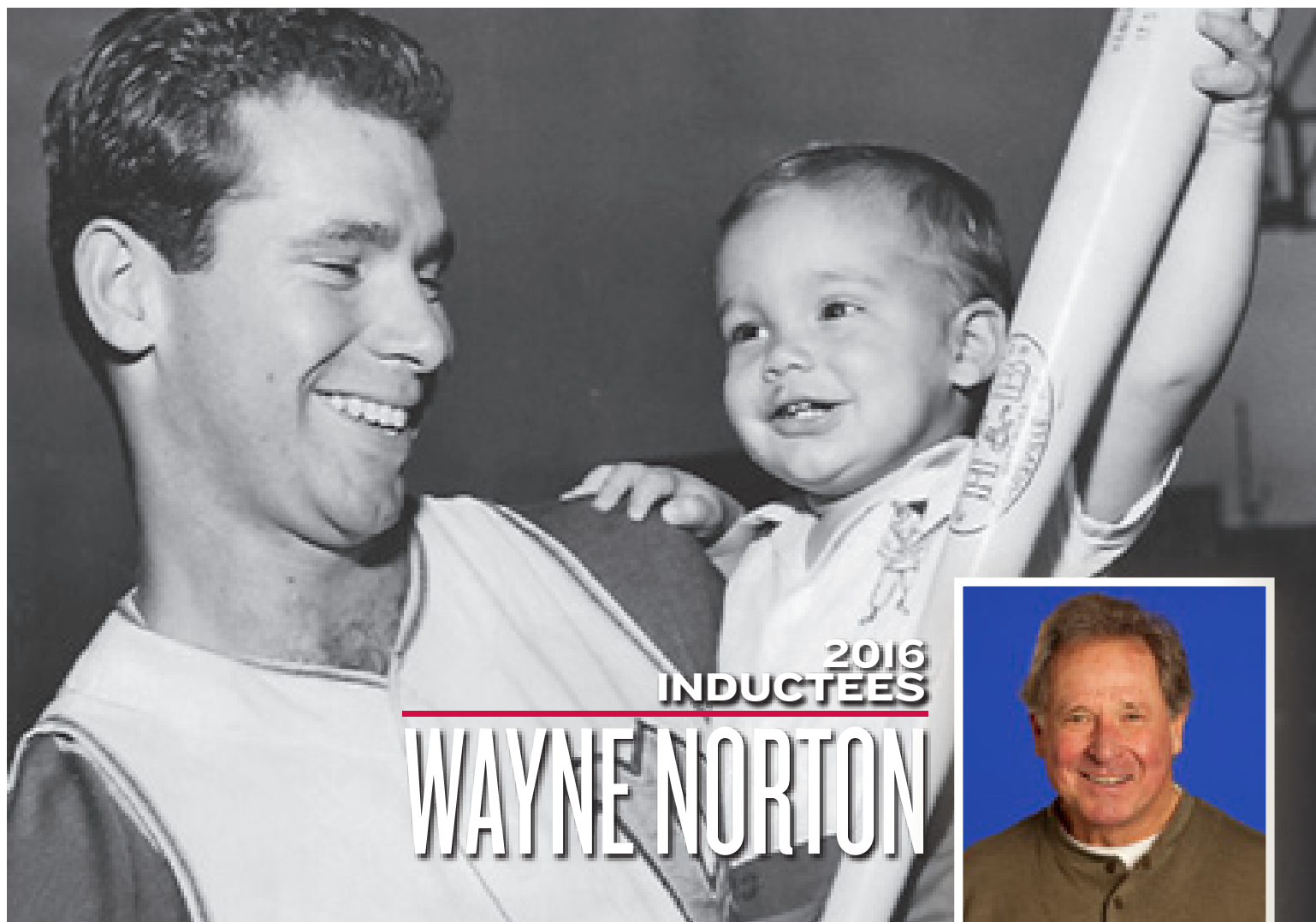
Martinez was also active in charitable endeavors, establishing the Dennis Martinez Foundation to aid underprivileged children around the world. In recent years, he has served as the manager of the Nicaraguan national team and as a pitching instructor in the Orioles and St. Louis Cardinals organizations. He was also the bullpen coach of the Houston Astros in 2013.

TWO BIRDS WE'RE PROUD WERE IN OUR NEST.



The Orioles congratulate Orioles Hall of Famer
Dennis Martinez and Pat Hentgen on their induction
into the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame.





Born in 1942 in Winnipeg, Man., Norton played in 1,206 minor league games – including five seasons in Triple-A – before becoming a trailblazing baseball executive and scout in Canada. In the mid-1970s, Norton founded and established Baseball Canada's Junior National Team and he became a long-time coach and manager for the organization, while doubling as a part-time scout for the Montreal Expos. He also managed Canada's Pan Am Games team in 1975, prior to helping to launch Baseball B.C. two years later. In the late 1970s, he was enlisted to create and write Baseball Canada's first coaching manuals and many of the guidelines from those are still employed today.

In 1986, Norton established the National Baseball Institute (NBI) in Vancouver and hired 2007 Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame inductee John Haar to be the first coach. The NBI evolved into the best baseball academy ever created in Canada and is often cited as the standard for similar facilities. Among the NBI graduates to play in the big leagues are 2015 Canadian Baseball Hall of Famers Matt Stairs (Fredericton, N.B.) and Corey Koskie (Anola, Man.), as well as Denis Boucher (Montreal, Que.), Steve Sinclair (Victoria, B.C.), Paul Spoljaric (Kelowna, B.C.), Rob Butler (East York, Ont.), Jason Dickson (Miramichi, N.B.), Aaron Guiel (Vancouver, B.C.) and Derek Aucoin (Lachine, Que.).

After leaving the NBI in 1994, Norton evolved into one of Canada's most respected baseball scouts. Canadian Baseball Hall of Famer Pat Gillick hired Norton to scout for the Baltimore Orioles from 1996 to 1999 and when Gillick accepted the Seattle Mariners' general manager position in 2000, he brought Norton with him. Norton has served as a scout for the Seattle Mariners since 2000 and has signed several Canadians, including Michael Saunders (Victoria, B.C.), Phillippe Aumont (Gatineau, Que.), Tyson Gillies (Vancouver, B.C.) and Tyler O'Neill (Maple Ridge, B.C.). For his excellence in scouting, Norton was named Mariners' International Scout of the Year in 2007 and Canadian Scout of the Year by the

Canadian Baseball Network in 1998 and 2013.

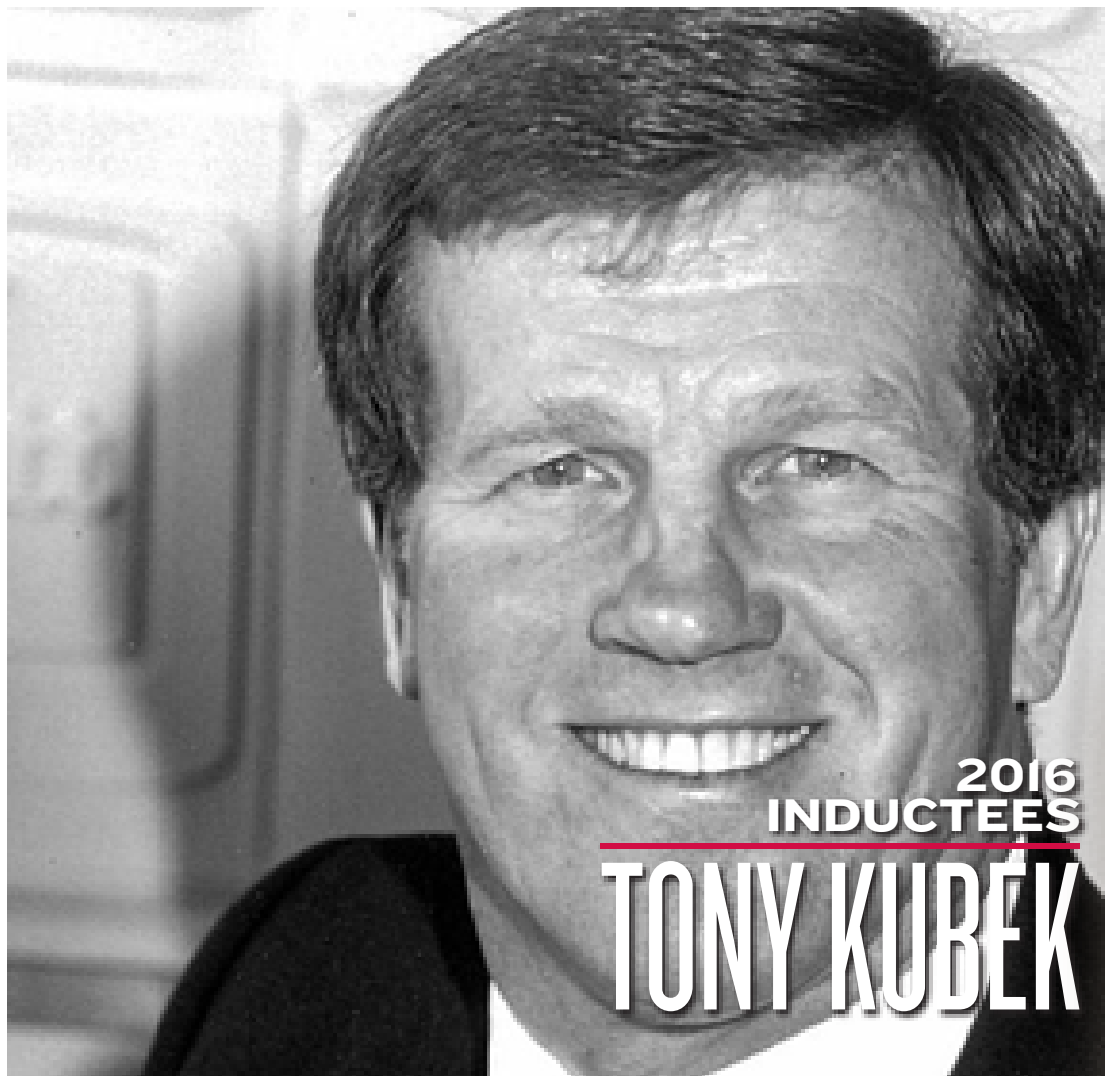
"The phone call informing me of my induction made me very happy," said Norton. "It will certainly be an honour to be included in the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame. I am extremely grateful to my friends who nominated me, and to my baseball colleagues and family who supported my nomination. Their regard means a great deal to me. It is gratifying to have my contributions to baseball in Canada recognized and valued by my peers and acknowledged by the selection committee. I look forward to what promises to be a fantastic couple of days in St. Marys!"

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TONY KUBEK

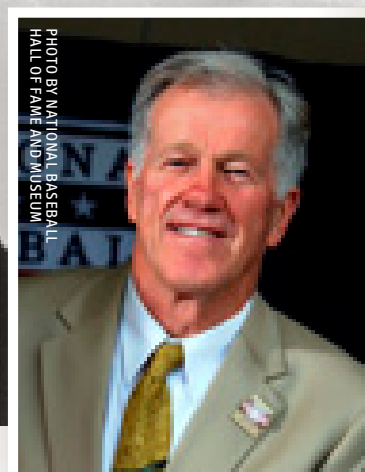


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Born in Milwaukee, Wis., in 1935, Kubek won three World Series as a shortstop with the New York Yankees between 1957 and 1965 before becoming a popular broadcaster for NBC. He spent 25 seasons behind the mike for the network and called 11 World Series and 10 All-Star games, as well as the Saturday afternoon “Game of the Week.” Along the way, he teamed with legendary play-by-play men like Jim Simpson, Curt Gowdy and Bob Costas.

The Toronto Blue Jays were fortunate to land Kubek as an analyst on their TV broadcasts in 1977 and during his 13 seasons in the booth for the club, he

educated tens of thousands of Canadian viewers on CTV and TSN about the sport. On top of the insights he could provide as a former player, Kubek’s no-nonsense style and quick and extensive analysis made him one of the best and most respected analysts of his era. While with the Blue Jays, aside from his analysis, he was one of the first broadcasters to ask to communicate with the director in the production truck to suggest camera shots during the game that would improve the broadcast.

For his efforts, Kubek was the first broadcaster to work exclusively as a TV analyst to win the National Baseball of Fame’s Ford C. Frick

Award for broadcasting excellence in 2009. He was also the first Ford C. Frick Award winner to have called games for a Canadian team. Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame inductees Tom Cheek (2013) and Dave Van Horne (2014) have also since been honoured.

After he left the Blue Jays, Kubek served as an analyst on New York Yankees games on the MSG Network for five seasons, prior to retiring in 1994.

“Overwhelmed, in a positive sense,” said Kubek when asked about how he felt about his induction in the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame.

“Unexpected, because I was doing

exactly what I’ve loved doing for much of my life, playing, watching and talking baseball. I had flashbacks of watching a young team being transformed into a winner. I’m grateful for being accepted by Canadian baseball fans, and for this wonderful honour. When I was asked to consider the job with the Blue Jays, I talked to Elston Howard, a teammate and great Yankee, who starred with the Triple-A, International League Toronto Maple Leafs. He said, ‘You gotta take it, they’re the best fans, a friendly city; they know their baseball.’ Ellie was right.”



Tony Kubek

All Star Player

World Series Champion

Broadcaster

Storyteller

Teacher

**Congratulations Tony on your induction to the
Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame.**

Jack Ruttle and Gary Maavara



2016
INDUCTEES

HOWARD STARKMAN



Born in Toronto in 1945, Starkman has spent four decades as an executive with the Toronto Blue Jays. He was initially hired as director of public relations on July 4, 1976 and he served in that capacity until 1998. In that role, he was in charge of media relations, broadcasting, travel and team publications. He was also responsible for the club's "Name the team" contest prior to the inaugural season that resulted in the Blue Jays name.

Starkman also played key behind-the-scenes roles in the Blue Jays' first games at Exhibition Stadium and the SkyDome and

in their playoff and World Series appearances through 1993. He also doubled as a public relations official for Major League Baseball for 15 World Series and 10 All-Star games. For his efforts, he was presented with the National Baseball Hall of Fame's Robert O. Fishel Award in 1995, an honour that's bestowed annually for excellence in public relations. Six years later, he was honoured with a 25-year service award from Major League Baseball.

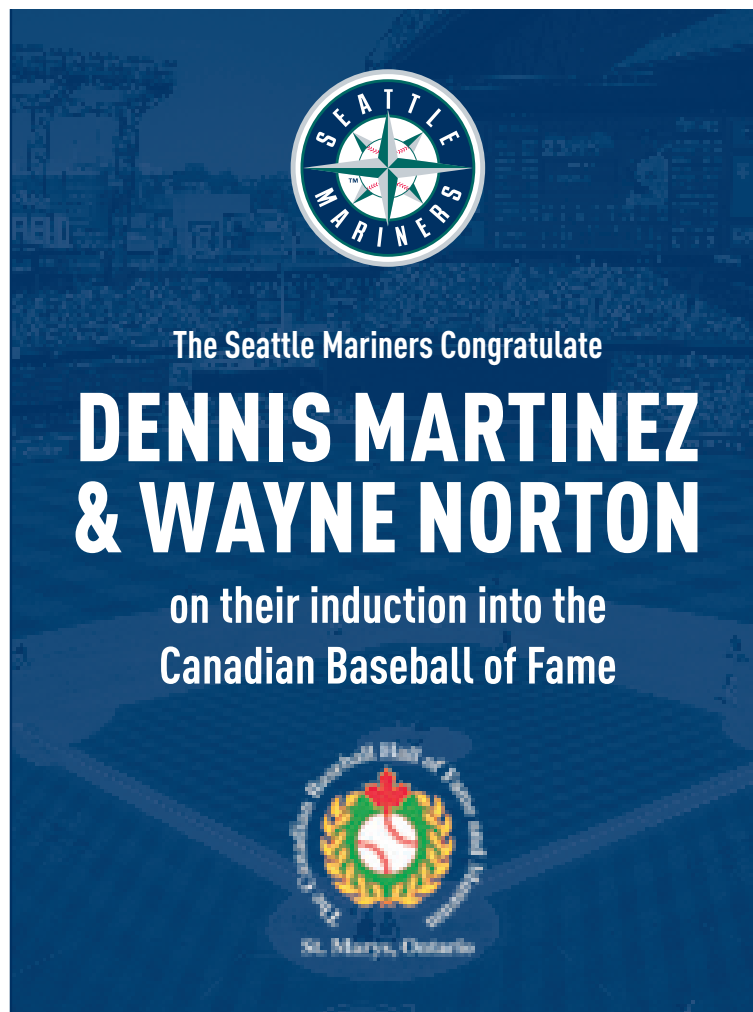
In 1999, Starkman was elevated to vice-president of media relations with the Blue Jays, before transitioning to vice-president,

special projects from 2002 to 2014. Widely respected by his colleagues and the media, Starkman has twice (1980, 1996) been honoured with the Good Guy Award by the Toronto chapter of baseball writers and in 2012, he received the President's Award from Sports Media Canada for his career accomplishments.

In 2014, the Blue Jays established the Howard Starkman Award and named Starkman the first recipient. This award is handed out annually to the Blue Jays Employee of the Year "who best exemplifies the values of integrity, innovation,

accountability, team work and a passion for winning."

"I am truly honoured to be selected to the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame," said Starkman, who continues to serve as a consultant with the Blue Jays. "I have been with the Blue Jays for 40 years and it is beyond belief and very gratifying that my contributions are being so recognized. It is very humbling and I'm proud to be included with so many illustrious players, executives and baseball dignitaries who have meant so much to baseball in Canada."



Congratulations!

Pat Hentgen, Howard Starkman
and all the great honourees named to the
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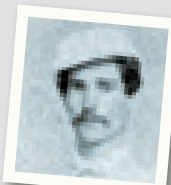
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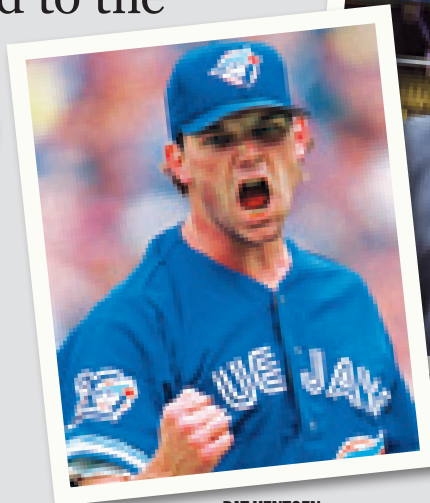
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WAYNE NORTON
Two-time winner
of Canadian Baseball
Network scout
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WILLIAM SHUTTLESWORTH
Father of Canadian
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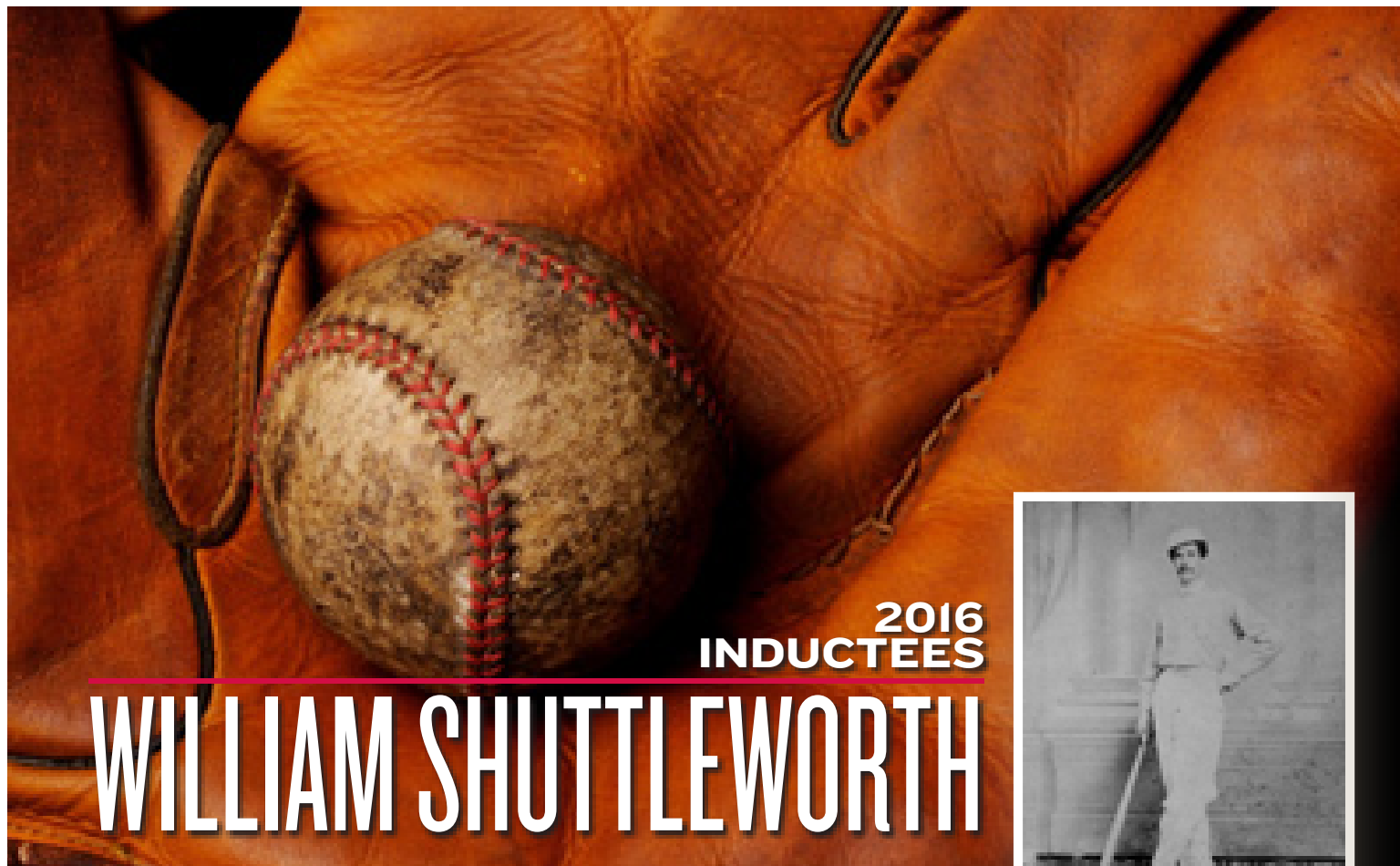
PAT HENTGEN
Cy Young winner



HOWARD STARKMAN
Long-time Jays executive



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WILLIAM SHUTTLEWORTH



Born in Brantford, Ont., in 1834, Shuttleworth has been called the “Father of Canadian Baseball.” His contributions to baseball in Canada have come to light in recent years thanks to research by noted Canadian historian Bill Humber.

When Shuttleworth was living in Hamilton, Ont., in 1854, he organized Canada’s first formal baseball team, which was called the Young Canadians of Hamilton. From 1854 through the 1870s, Shuttleworth was a driving force behind the sport in Canada and he served as vice-president of the first Canadian baseball organization in 1864.

As founder of the Young Canadians, he transitioned the team from the old Canadian rules – 11 players on each team,

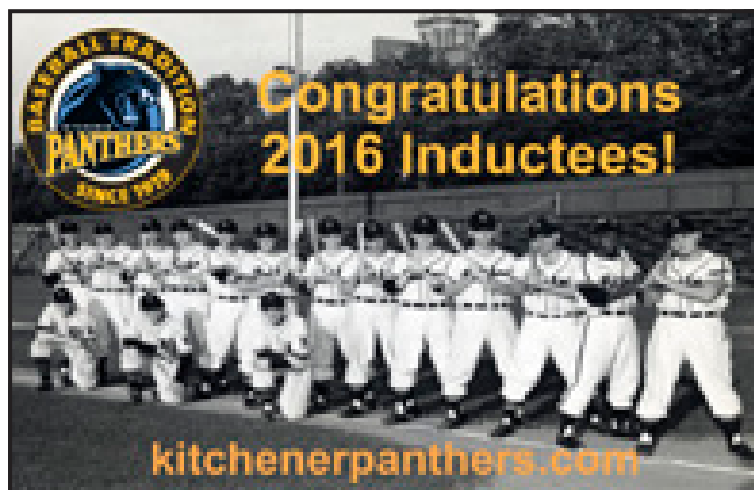
two-inning games – to the New York rules (which are essentially the rules of today’s game) in 1860. But Shuttleworth was not just an organizer, he was also a catcher and leadoff hitter who participated in the second-ever international baseball game in 1860 which took place a few weeks after the first game that featured a rival Hamilton team. While he was still active as a player, he doubled as the president of the Young Canadians (the team changed its name to Maple Leafs in 1862) from 1860 to 1871.

Shuttleworth was also a member of the Ontario team (Hamilton and Guelph players) that finished third in a major Detroit baseball tournament in 1867. Shuttleworth

also umpired important games throughout the 1860s, including a Guelph-Woodstock championship match in 1868.

Shuttleworth eventually moved to Geneva, N.Y. in 1893 to live

with his son. He passed away on March 31, 1903 and is buried in Hamilton, Ont. He was inducted into Canada’s Sports Hall of Fame in 2015.





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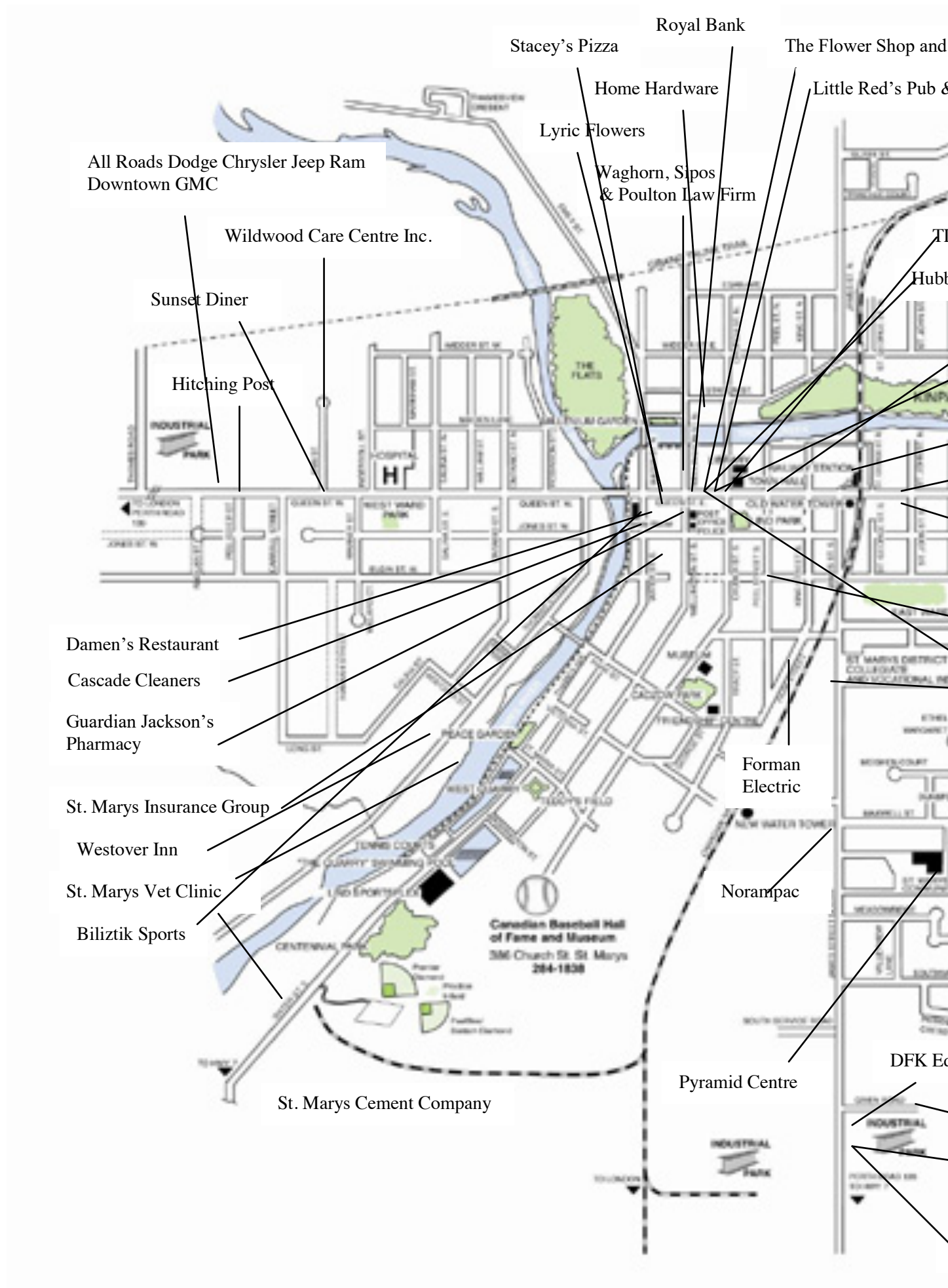
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- 1991 – Hal Kelly & Joe Crysedale (CKEY)
- 1996 – Dave Van Horne (TSN & CIQC)
- 2001 – Tom Cheek (The Team Radio)
- 2002 – Ernie Harwell (Detroit Tigers)
- 2003 – Allan Simpson (Baseball America)
- 2004 – Jacques Doucet (Montreal Expos)
- 2005 – Len Bramson (TBS Sports)
- 2009 – Ian MacDonald (Montreal Gazette)
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- 2011 – WP Kinsella (“Shoeless Joe” novel adapted to film “Field of Dreams”)
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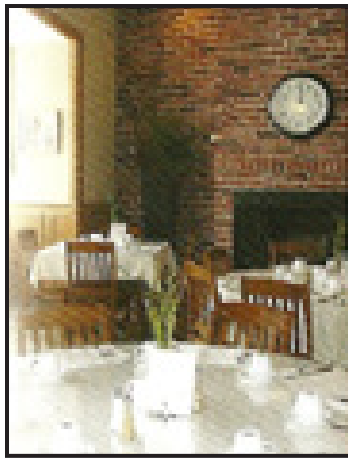
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In Memory of Doc Younker

Long-time baseball trainer and 2005 Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame inductee Harold "Doc" Younker passed away on Saturday, February 13, 2016 at the age of 94.

Younker served as a trainer in amateur and professional baseball for more than 50 years.

"Doc was a kind, dedicated man who selflessly looked after players in Canada and the United States for more than half a century," said Scott Crawford, the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame's director of operations. "Whether it was a headache or a broken arm, Doc was committed to providing his players with the best possible care. We're saddened by his passing, but we hope his family can take solace in the fact that he touched and impacted so many lives."

Born in Auburn, Wash., on August 4, 1921, Younker became a U.S. army private and later landed his first job as a trainer with the Western International League's Vancouver Capilanos in 1954. He would serve in a similar capacity with the Seattle Rainiers the following year, before returning to Vancouver to work with the Pacific

Coast League Mounties in 1956. He landed his first big league gig as a relief trainer with the expansion Los Angeles Angels in 1961 and later served as the head trainer with the San Diego Padres from 1976 to 1985.

At the amateur level, Younker devoted countless hours to Canada's national teams, tending to athletes at the Olympics, Pan Am Games, Commonwealth Games, World Championships and Intercontinental Cups. He also worked for the National Baseball Institute in Vancouver and the University of British Columbia.

Outside of baseball, Younker was a trainer for the World Basketball Association's Los Angeles Jets in 1962 and for the Langley Lords, a Junior A hockey team, from 1970 to 1972. He also served as a multi-sport trainer at various Arizona high schools, teaching classes in first aid and physiotherapy. Many of his students are now practicing physiotherapists.

Younker, who resided in Langley, B.C. in recent years, is survived by his wife Mary and three children Bev, Pat and Vicki.



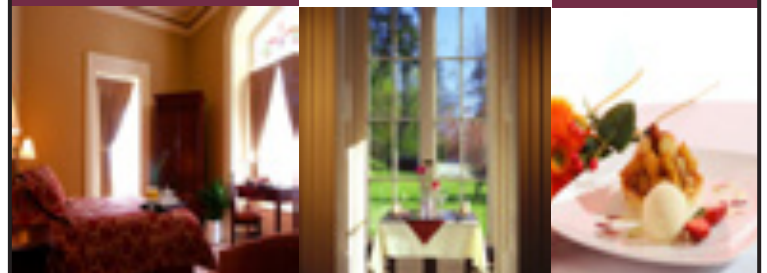
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1984

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1989

Robert Brown – USA
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1990

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1991

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1992

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1995

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Important Dates in Canadian Baseball History: September 27, 1941

Fort William, Ont., native Jeff Heath becomes American League's first 20-20-20 man

In 1941, a multi-talented American League outfielder would make major league history.

No, this article isn't about New York Yankees centre fielder Joe DiMaggio, who engineered his 56-game hitting streak that year. Nor is it about Boston Red Sox left fielder Ted Williams who batted .406, which was the last time a big leaguer has hit .400 in a season.

No, this article is about a muscular Cleveland Indians right fielder who was born in Fort William, Ont., named Jeff Heath, who on September 27, 1941 rapped out his 20th triple of the campaign to become the first American League player to record 20 doubles, 20 triples and 20 home runs in the same season.

Heath smashed a fastball from St. Louis Browns right-hander Johnny Niggeling over the head of left fielder Roy Cullenbine to lead off the second inning at Sportsman's Park to notch his historic three-bagger.

With the multimedia coverage afforded to Major League Baseball today – where statistics are easily accessible and milestones are highly anticipated – Heath's feat would've been trumpeted on the scoreboard, on the radio and TV broadcasts and on social media.

But in this meaningless, late September game in 1941 – the second-last of the season for both the fourth-place Indians and sixth-place Browns – the 3,139 spectators at Sportsman's Park were likely oblivious to the significance of

Heath's hit. It's safe to say that most media members didn't know that history had been made either. There's no mention of the feat in the following day's Cleveland Plain Dealer or the St. Louis Daily Globe-Democrat and while the next day's St. Louis Post-Dispatch does acknowledge it, they neglected to seek a quote from Heath to find out how he felt about it.

In fact, it's unclear if Heath, who had a big, brash personality that matched his physique, was even aware of what he had done. In the research for this article, numerous online resources and books were consulted and none of them include a quote from Heath about becoming the American League's first 20-20-20 man.

In many ways, this feat being neglected fit with the overall lack of attention that Heath's entire 1941 season had garnered. Though Heath had achieved something that Williams and DiMaggio never would, he couldn't wrestle the spotlight away from these two immortals, whom he had started alongside in the American League outfield in the All-Star Game earlier that season at Briggs Stadium in Detroit.

The 1941 season was a redemptive one for Heath. The Canadian outfielder had endured a miserable campaign on and off the field with the Indians in 1940. While openly feuding with Indians manager

Ossie Vitt, Heath's batting average had plummeted to .219 and it's been widely reported that Heath spearheaded a player revolt against Vitt that led to the prickly dugout boss's dismissal following the 1940 campaign.

Under new Tribe manager Roger Peckinpaugh in 1941, Heath re-emerged as a hitting star and enjoyed his finest big league season. The burly Canuck notched his 20th double on July 20 against the Washington Senators and his 20th home run against the Philadelphia A's on September 9. He also finished with 18 stolen bases, which left him two shy of becoming the American League's first 20-20-20 man.

In most seasons, Heath's numbers would've made him an MVP favourite. In 151 contests, he batted .340 (fourth in the league) and belted 24 homers (seventh in the league). He also topped the American League with 20 triples and finished second in hits (199), total bases (343) and RBI (123).

But despite his hitting heroics, Heath finished eighth in the American League MVP voting. As expected, DiMaggio and Williams were one-two in the balloting, but Heath wasn't even the top vote-getter on his own team. That honour went to his roommate Bob Feller, who won 25 games that season, to finish third in the voting.

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"He was a muscular monster, a 200-pounder whose arms were so thick he had to cut the sleeves out of his uniform like Jimmie Foxx before him and Ted Kluszewski after him," Feller wrote about Heath in his 1990 memoir, *Now Pitching* Bob Feller.

Born in Fort William, Ontario, Heath moved with his family to Victoria, B.C., when he was one. Shortly thereafter, his family relocated to Seattle where his father ran a hardware store. Heath was a baseball and football star in high school before signing with the Indians in 1935.

The athletic youngster quickly blossomed into a top prospect in the Indians organization. His .383 batting average and 187 RBI with the Tribe's Class-C minor league affiliate in Zanesville in 1936 reinforced his blue chip status and earned him a big league promotion that September.

In 1938, Heath put together one of the best rookie seasons in major league history when he finished second in the American League batting race (.343) and recorded 21 home runs, 112 RBI and a league-leading 18 triples.

After his 20-20-20 season in 1941, his offensive output dipped, but he was still a productive hitter for the Indians until 1945 when he was dealt to the Washington Senators. He played there for two months, prior to being swapped to the Browns.

In December 1947, he was sold to the Boston Braves, where he was hitting .319 with 20 home runs and was

set to participate in his first World Series when he suffered a gruesome ankle injury sliding into home plate in the final week of the 1948 season. Heath's ankle was slow to heal and he would play just 36 major league games in 1949, and after hitting just .245 in 57 contests for the Pacific Coast League's Seattle Rainiers in 1950, he decided to hang up his playing spikes.

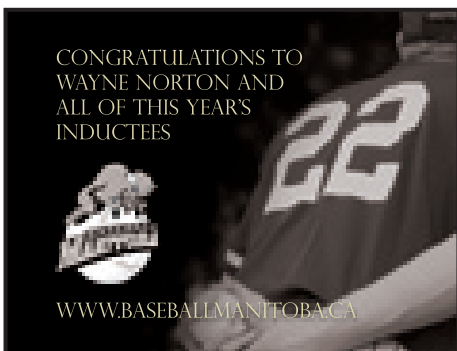
"The goods are damaged," Heath told *The Seattle Times* in his typically blunt fashion about his decision to retire. "I don't care what you're getting or who you are. You hate smelling out the joint. But after 15 or 16 years of baseball, it's sort of hard to quit."

Following his retirement, Heath dabbled in real estate and became a lovably brash TV analyst on Rainiers broadcasts. Sadly, he suffered a fatal heart attack at his Seattle home on December 9, 1975 when he was 60 years old, leaving behind his wife Theabelle, two daughters, a son and six grandchildren.

Heath was inducted into the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame posthumously in 1988.

Editor's Note: Two other American League players – George Brett (1979) and Curtis Granderson (2006) – have since joined Heath in the exclusive 20-20-20 club.

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L-R: Jim Fanning, Ian MacDonald, Richard Griffin

In Memory of Ian MacDonald

Legendary baseball writer and 2009 Jack Graney Award winner Ian MacDonald passed away on August 26, 2015 at the age 87 in Pointe-Claire, Que.

MacDonald covered the Montreal Expos for the *Montreal Gazette* from 1970 to 2004.

"Ian was a talented, old school sports reporter who tenaciously and skillfully covered the Expos for more than three decades," said Scott Crawford, the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame's director of operations. "The passion and effort he put into his articles made him an absolute must-read for Canadian baseball fans."

Born and raised in Montreal, MacDonald began his sportswriting career with *The Montreal Herald* in the 1940s before being transferred to the *Montreal Star* to cover collegiate and amateur sports in 1953. He later wrote about the CFL's Montreal Alouettes for the *Star* prior to joining the *Montreal Gazette*, where he was assigned to the Expos beat in 1970.

In his long career in baseball journalism, MacDonald served as the president of the Montreal

Chapter of the Baseball Writers Association of America (BBWAA) for 15 years and as the national BBWAA chair in 2001.

Other notable assignments in MacDonald's storied career included Olympic Games, Grey Cups, Super Bowls, World Series and various World championships.

MacDonald was predeceased by his son, John, and is survived by son, Garry, daughters Sandra and Cathy, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.



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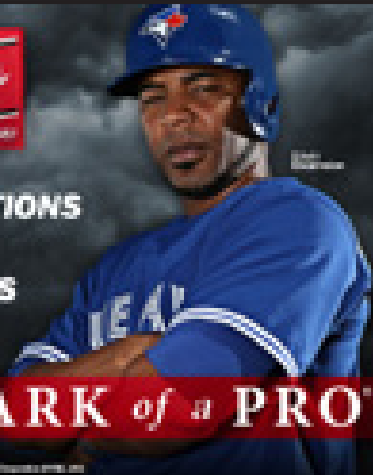
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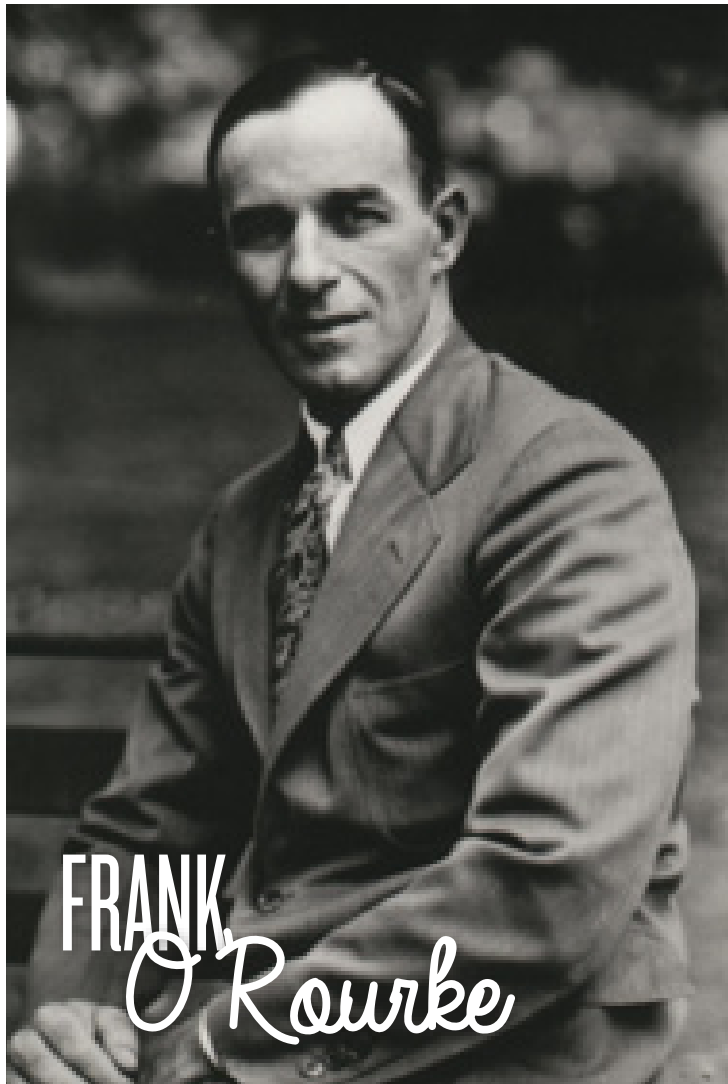
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Canadian Baseball Hall of Famer Spotlight

His toughness was legendary.

On many occasions, Frank O'Rourke "took the field so crippled up that every move caused him intense pain," wrote Toronto Star sportswriter Charles Good in 1933.

For 13 professional seasons, the Hamilton, Ont.-born infielder had persevered through sprained ankles, sore arms and the deep body bruises that accompany being perennially amongst the league leaders in getting hit by a pitch to finally establish himself as an all-star caliber, major league second baseman.

Perhaps even more difficult to overcome had been the label that he was too small and frail to be a regular at the highest level. And though the 5-foot-10, 165-pound Canadian was a fiery leader and fan favourite wherever he went, the book on him was that he had more grit than talent.

So you can understand why on April 28, 1926, O'Rourke, who was at long last the Detroit Tigers regular second baseman, wasn't about to surrender his position without a fight. Prior to the game that day, he felt dizzy and was experiencing coughing spells.

His face was red and blotchy and though he refused to acknowledge it, he was running a high fever.

As he warmed up, his legs were wobbly and his teammates noticed he was sweating profusely, but when they approached him, O'Rourke waved them away. It had taken him 13 seasons to secure job security in the big leagues and he'd be damned if he was going to give anyone the opportunity to wrestle it away from him.

Soon, however, his coughing became more frequent and as he played catch, it became harder for him to see the ball. His legs began to buckle and he knelt on the ground. His teammates rushed to his side and motioned for the trainer. O'Rourke was almost indestructible to them, so they were deeply concerned as they helped cart him into the clubhouse and then into an ambulance.

At the hospital, the doctors noted his high fever and splotchy skin and diagnosed him with the measles. They began treatment immediately, but due to the highly contagious nature of his infection, he'd have to be isolated from the other patients and once he was well enough to go home, he'd be forced to stay away from his teammates for one week.

Meanwhile back at Navin Field, the Tigers summoned a quiet, 22-year-old prospect named Charlie Gehring to fill in for O'Rourke at second base. The rest, as they say, is history.

Gehring's sweet left-handed stroke and smooth hands in the field proved that he was ready for stardom. And 11 months after New York Yankees first baseman Wally Pipp had a headache and was replaced by Lou Gehrig, who proceeded to play 2,130 consecutive games for the Bronx Bombers, O'Rourke returned to discover that he had been "Wally Pipped" by Gehring.

Over the next 17 seasons, Gehring wouldn't relinquish his post as the Tigers starting second baseman and he evolved into one of the best keystone sackers in major league history.

Returning to find Gehring in his position initially battered the spirit of O'Rourke, who after 13 years of shuttling between the minors and majors, had batted .293, rapped out 40 doubles and led American League second basemen in fielding percentage in 1925. He was now once again relegated to a utility role. But devastation eventually gave way to determination, and if you research O'Rourke, you'll discover that he wasn't the type to wallow. In most photos, he wears an easy smile and a twinkle in his eyes. He looks like a man who loved playing baseball and he'd use this latest slight as motivation. Sure, he was no longer the Tigers' starting second baseman, but he was still in the big leagues and that had been his dream since he was a child.

As soon as he was old enough to swing a bat, O'Rourke ate, drank and slept baseball. Though his birth year has been widely listed as 1894, some reports indicate that he could've been born as early as 1891. The date he was born (November 28) and his birthplace (Hamilton, Ont.) have not been disputed. According to SABR, O'Rourke's parents, John and Ida, were Pennsylvania natives and John may have been working in Hamilton when O'Rourke was born.

The second youngest of six children, O'Rourke had an older brother and four sisters. It's unclear how long he lived in Hamilton, but it appears that his childhood and teenage years were spent primarily in Washington Township, Lehigh County, Pa., and Elizabeth, New Jersey.

It wasn't long before scouts started taking notice of O'Rourke's skills on the diamond. One report indicates that he was playing for the Lawrence Barristers of the Class-B

New England League in 1911, before he was signed by the Bridgeport Orators of the Connecticut State League the following year.

A heady infielder with great range, O'Rourke also excelled at the plate in Bridgeport. He was batting .354 when the National League's Boston Braves signed him on June 7, 1912. But the teenager was clearly overmatched at the big league level, batting just .122 in 61 games.

The Braves released him and he hooked on with the Wilkes-Barre Barons of the Class-B New York State League, where he batted .248, .301, .274 and .284 respectively over the next four seasons.

He was manning third base for Utica in the same league in 1917, when the National League's Brooklyn Robins gave him his second big league opportunity that July. He'd hit .237 and swipe 11 bases in 64 games while playing regularly at the hot corner for the Robins for the rest of the season. He returned to Brooklyn

for four games in 1918 prior to being sold to the Class-B Eastern League's New London Planters.

He registered 166 hits in 141 games for the Double-A International League's Binghamton Bingoes the following campaign, which inspired the rival Toronto Maple Leafs to sign him after the season.

O'Rourke would enjoy his greatest professional success in Toronto. In 1920, he hit .327 and recorded 201 hits, which convinced the Washington Senators to purchase his contract in September. O'Rourke hit .296 in 14 big league games to finish out 1920 and he returned to the Senators in 1921 to be their everyday shortstop.

The gritty infielder's all-out hustle made him a fan favourite in the U.S. capital where he demonstrated great range, but also committed a league-leading 55 errors. At the plate, he batted .234 and knocked in 54 runs, but the Senators didn't see him as a

long-term solution at shortstop and they shipped him to the Boston Red Sox with Joe Dugan for Roger Peckinpaugh the ensuing January.

He served in a reserve role for the Sox and batted .264 in 67 games and after the season, he was selected off waivers by the Tigers who assigned him to Toronto. The resilient Canadian once again excelled in Hogtown, hitting .321 in 1923 and .322 in 1924.

"Frank O'Rourke does not believe in half measures," wrote Good in the May 17, 1924 edition of the Toronto Star. "Whenever he does a thing, he does it with his whole heart and soul."

Good later described O'Rourke as "probably the most aggressive and forceful athlete that ever wore a Toronto unie."

Not surprisingly, this "aggressive and forceful athlete" sometimes flashed a wild temper, one that earned him a five-game suspension after an

altercation with an umpire in July 1924. But that outburst might have endeared him to the equally fiery Ty Cobb, the Tigers player-manager at the time, who convinced his club to purchase O'Rourke from the Leafs for \$25,000 on August 4, 1924.

"Ty Cobb has acquired a hustler, a winning type of ballplayer and an athlete who knows what's what," wrote Good after O'Rourke was sold to the Tigers. "He will be missed by the fans and players with whom he has always been a great favourite."

O'Rourke batted .276 in 47 games as the Tigers' second baseman to conclude the 1924 season and he put together an all-star caliber season as club's regular keystone sacker in 1925 before he was replaced by Gehring in April 1926.

After his batting average dipped to .242 that season, O'Rourke was dealt to the St. Louis Browns as part of a seven-player trade on January 15, 1927. In his first year with the

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Browns, O'Rourke emerged as a scrappy leader, registering career highs in walks (64) and stolen bases (18). He was also hit by an American League-leading 12 pitches and for his efforts, he finished 13th in AL MVP voting.

He followed that up by recording a career-high 62 RBI in 1928.

"One of the great players of baseball is Frank O'Rourke, third baseman of Dan Howley's St. Louis team," wrote Toronto Star sports editor W.A. Hewitt in an August 21, 1928 column. "Much of the success of the Browns in the American League race this year can be traced to O'Rourke's determined playing and great fighting heart. He has been an inspiration to his fellow players just as he was when he was playing shortstop for Toronto."

O'Rourke led the Browns to an 82-72 record and a surprising third-place finish that season. For an encore, he collected a career-high 147 hits

in 1929. He'd suit up for parts of two more seasons with the Browns before becoming the player-manager of the American Association's Milwaukee Brewers.

He served in that capacity until 1934 when he was appointed player-coach with the International League's Montreal Royals. Player-manager stints in Charlotte (Class-B) and El Dorado (Class-C) followed and if we accept that he was born in 1894, O'Rourke suited up for his final professional game when he was 45.

But it wasn't until 1941 that O'Rourke found his true second calling when he was hired as a scout by the Cincinnati Reds. Often attending multiple games on the same day, he poured his heart and soul into uncovering new talent and evaluating players.

In 1952, he wanted to work closer to his family (his wife Elizabeth and daughter Frances) in New Jersey and he accepted a scouting

position with the New York Yankees. O'Rourke would evaluate talent for the Bronx Bombers for more than three decades and he's credited with signing Al Downing, Jack Cullen, Johnny Kucks and Bill Henry, among others.

While he was living in Elizabeth, New Jersey, O'Rourke was also active in baseball at the grassroots level. He was a member of the Union County Baseball Association and he helped organize the local youth program.

Even into his late eighties, O'Rourke could be spotted scouting players at two or three games a day. When he finally retired in 1985, he was 91 years old (if we accept that he was born in 1894) – an age that reportedly makes him the oldest scout in baseball history.

Between playing, coaching and scouting, O'Rourke spent 75 seasons in professional baseball, which may also be a record for the longest tenure in pro ball.

O'Rourke passed away on May 14, 1986 in a nursing home in Chatham, New Jersey. He was predeceased by his wife and survived by his daughter. Ten years after his death, he was inducted into the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame.

"Baseball to him was not a means of livelihood," Good once wrote of O'Rourke. "It was a game, a battle of wits and skill. And he had no use for the player who didn't give his best at all times."

That's a good way to remember this tough baseball lifer, who battled for every break he got in the game he loved so dearly.

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Top 15 Single Season Pitching Statistics

First	Last	Year	W
Bob	Emslie	1884	32
Russ	Ford	1910	26
Fergie	Jenkins	1974	25
Fergie	Jenkins	1971	24
Fergie	Jenkins	1970	22
Russ	Ford	1911	22
Fergie	Jenkins	1969	21
Russ	Ford	1914	21
Fergie	Jenkins	1972	20
Fergie	Jenkins	1968	20
Fergie	Jenkins	1967	20
Phil	Marchildon	1947	19
Bill	Mountjoy	1884	19
Fergie	Jenkins	1978	18
Rube	Vickers	1908	18

First	Last	Year	L
Ed	Nolan	1878	22
Russ	Ford	1912	21
Kirk	McCaskill	1991	19
Rube	Vickers	1908	19
Fergie	Jenkins	1975	18
Russ	Ford	1913	18
Paul	Calvert	1949	17
Joe	Krakauskus	1939	17
Bob	Emslie	1884	17
Jeff	Francis	2001	16
Fergie	Jenkins	1973	16
Fergie	Jenkins	1970	16
Phil	Marchildon	1946	16
Dick	Fowler	1946	16
Chris	Reitsma	2001	15

First	Last	Year	ERA
John	Hiller	1973	1.44
Russ	Ford	1910	1.65
Russ	Ford	1914	1.85
Rich	Harden	2008	2.07
Rube	Vickers	1908	2.21
Russ	Ford	1911	2.27
John	Hiller	1976	2.38
John	Hiller	1968	2.39
Rich	Harden	2005	2.53
Ed	Nolan	1878	2.57
Win	Kellum	1904	2.60
Clarence	Currie	1902	2.60
Fergie	Jenkins	1968	2.63
Ed	Bahr	1946	2.63
John	Hiller	1974	2.64

First	Last	Year	G
Paul	Quantrill	2003	89
Paul	Quantrill	2004	86
Paul	Quantrill	2002	86
Rheal	Cormier	2004	84
Chris	Reitsma	2004	84
Paul	Quantrill	1998	82
Paul	Quantrill	2001	80
Eric	Gagne	2003	77
Eric	Gagne	2002	77
Paul	Quantrill	1997	77
Chris	Reitsma	2005	76
John	Axford	2013	75
John	Axford	2012	75
Jesse	Crain	2005	75
John	Axford	2011	74

First	Last	Year	GS
Bob	Emslie	1884	50
Fergie	Jenkins	1969	42
Fergie	Jenkins	1974	41
Fergie	Jenkins	1968	40
Fergie	Jenkins	1970	39
Fergie	Jenkins	1971	39
Fergie	Jenkins	1973	38
Fergie	Jenkins	1967	38
Ed	Nolan	1878	38
Fergie	Jenkins	1979	37
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Phil	Marchildon	1947	35
Russ	Ford	1912	35
Ryan	Dempster	2011	34

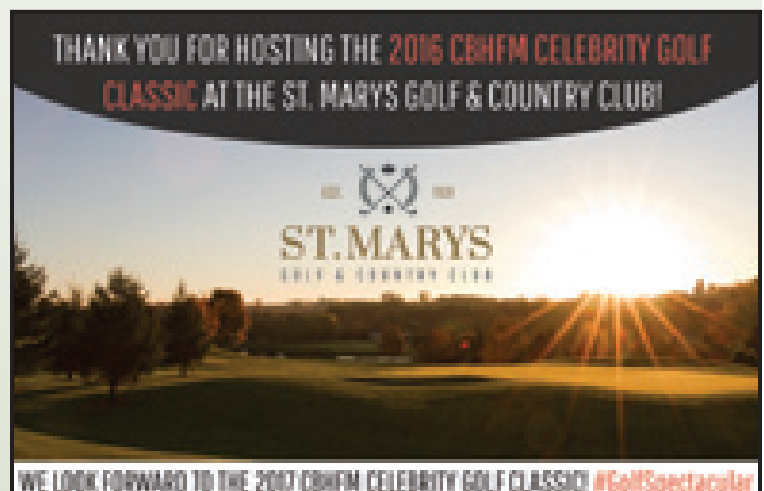
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Bob	Emslie	1884	50
Ed	Nolan	1878	37
Bill	Mountjoy	1884	32
Fergie	Jenkins	1971	30
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Russ	Ford	1910	29
Fergie	Jenkins	1974	29
Bill	Magee	1898	29
Russ	Ford	1911	26
Fergie	Jenkins	1970	24
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Win	Kellum	1904	22
Phil	Marchildon	1947	21

First	Last	Year	SH
Russ	Ford	1910	8
Fergie	Jenkins	1969	7
Fergie	Jenkins	1974	6
Rube	Vickers	1908	6
Fergie	Jenkins	1972	5
Russ	Ford	1914	5
Kirk	McCaskill	1989	4
Fergie	Jenkins	1975	4
Fergie	Jenkins	1978	4
Dick	Fowler	1949	4
Mike	Kilkenny	1939	4
Bob	Emslie	1884	4
Fergie	Jenkins	1979	3
Reggie	Cleveland	1973	3
Reggie	Cleveland	1972	3

First	Last	Year	SV
Eric	Gagne	2003	55
Eric	Gagne	2002	52
John	Axford	2011	46
Eric	Gagne	2004	45
John	Hiller	1973	38
John	Axford	2012	35
Ryan	Dempster	2005	33
Jim	Henderson	2013	28
Ryan	Dempster	2007	28
Jeff	Zimmerman	2001	28
John	Axford	2015	25
Ryan	Dempster	2006	24
John	Axford	2010	24
Claude	Raymond	1970	23
John	Hiller	1978	17

First	Last	Year	IP
Bob	Emslie	1884	455.1
Ed	Nolan	1878	347.0
Fergie	Jenkins	1974	328.1
Fergie	Jenkins	1971	325.0
Rube	Vickers	1908	317.0
Fergie	Jenkins	1970	313.0
Fergie	Jenkins	1969	311.1
Fergie	Jenkins	1968	308.0
Russ	Ford	1910	299.2
Bill	Magee	1898	295.1
Russ	Ford	1912	291.1
Fergie	Jenkins	1972	289.1
Fergie	Jenkins	1967	289.1
Bill	Mountjoy	1884	289.0
Russ	Ford	1911	281.1

First	Last	Year	K
Fergie	Jenkins	1970	274
Fergie	Jenkins	1969	273
Bob	Emslie	1884	264
Fergie	Jenkins	1971	263
Fergie	Jenkins	1968	260
Fergie	Jenkins	1967	236
Fergie	Jenkins	1974	225
Erik	Bedard	2007	221
Ryan	Dempster	2000	209
Russ	Ford	1910	209
Ryan	Dempster	2010	208
Kirk	McCaskill	1986	202
Ryan	Dempster	2011	191
Ryan	Dempster	2008	187
Fergie	Jenkins	1972	184





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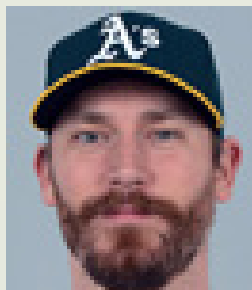
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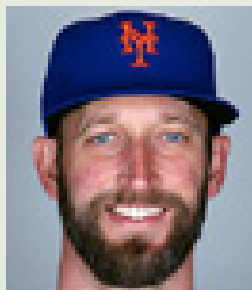
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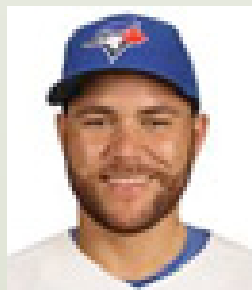
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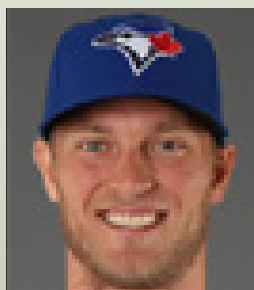
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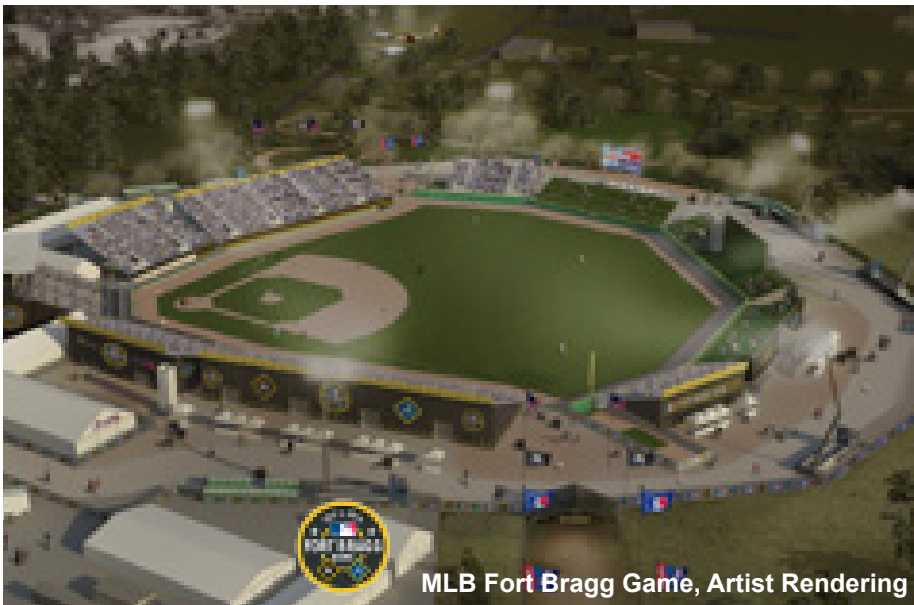
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