

LITTLE LEAGUE ALBERTA HALL OF EXCELLENCE

Lifetime Achievement Awards

2007 Inductees

Inductee: Frank Hornby
District 3
League Affiliation: Centennial (25 Years)
District (5 Years)

Frank was a Coach, Manager and the Umpire in Chief of the DUIC #3 District in Alberta. Frank was also the Umpire in Chief of the Canadian Softball Championships and attended the World Series.

Inductee: Dennis Baumgartner
District 3
League Affiliation: Bowridge/Foothills

Dennis started coaching in Regina when he was 16 years old. He moved to Calgary and coached with Foothills Little League and later moved to Bowridge Little League. He has brought many teams to the Prairie Championships and went to the National Championships twice in Glace Bay, Nova Scotia. Dennis coaches all levels but prefers to promote skill development while coaching in the Major Division. Dennis also sits on the board of directors for Bowridge as a technical advisor. He is an excellent role model and instills a sense of confidence and pride in his players as well as a love for the game. On many occasions parents have expressed their admiration for his coaching and leadership skills.

Inductee: Rod Wojtula
District 8
League Affiliation: Calgary West Little League

Rod was very active in our league for more than twenty years as a coach and a member of the league executive for numerous years. He is regarded highly as a coaching icon by many of his peers, and is especially respected by the athletes.

Inductee: Barry Richardson
District 1
League Affiliation: North Regina / Big League

Barry has been coaching in NRLL since 2001. He has brought teams to five Regionals, and competed in three Canadian Championships winning two of them (2002 Majors and 2006 Seniors). Prior to coaching kid's baseball, Barry was a player/coach for

a Men's Fastball team and a Mixed Fastball team for over twenty years. He is now looking at coaching at the Big League level for the next couple years.

Inductee: John Leonard
District 1
League Affiliation: North Regina / Big League

John has been involved in the NRLL program since 1989, started out coaching rookie ball and has been involved ever since. John has been the Big League President since 1998, served four years as Senior Commissionaire and two years as Junior Commissionaire. John headed the 2005 Big League Canadians on very short notice. John is still involved and committed to the Saskatchewan Little League program. It is safe to say that without John Saskatchewan would be without a Big League program.

Inductee: Dave Stevens
District 8
League Affiliation: Rocky Mountain

Dave has contributed to baseball and softball as a parent, Coach, Manager, Board Member and League President all because of his love of the game. He continues to contribute and in his own words "IT'S ALL FOR THE PLAYERS!"

Inductee: Don Young
District 8
League Affiliation: Calgary West Little League

Don serves on the Executive as the uniform coordinator and the casino chairman. Don has been a long time volunteer with Little League and other baseball organizations. He remains involved long after his children have gone through the program showing his great commitment to Little League Baseball.

Inductee: Mike Perkins
District 8
League Affiliation: Calgary West Little League

Mike was very active with our league for many years as a Coach, member of the league executive, and developed and ran our coaching clinics. Mike was recently recognized by the Calgary Booster Club as an Honored Athletic Leader for his many years of commitment to baseball and hockey.

2008 Inductees

Inductee: Jack Brown
District 2
League Affiliation: Confederation Park

Jack was the founding President of Confederation Park in 1967 and served until 1990. Has served as Vice President from 1990 until the present

Inductee: Roy Fogg
District 8
League Affiliation: Rocky Mountain

Roy started in the Ottewell Little League in 1967. Roy acted in the capacity of Assistant Coach, Player Agent and then President. During this period the Major Division Canadian Tournament was held at the Ottewell Baseball Park and Roy billeted the players. He was elected to District Administrator and served until 1982 when he was transferred to Vancouver, then to Toronto. While D.A. he held a seminar for Little League Alberta in 1980 at the University of Alberta. Upon returning to Edmonton, Roy rejoined Little League District #2 as Treasurer and then as Director. He became involved with the insurgence of the Casino Fund and dealing with the Gaming Commission. In 2007 Roy resigned after many enjoyable years of pleasant associations.

Inductee: Jim Hyslop
District 8
League Affiliation: Calgary West Little League

Jim was one of the co-founders and major supporters of Calgary West Little League. We wouldn't have a league today without the initial efforts of him and a group of others.

- Coach or Manager for a combined 13 years
- President of Calgary West Little League for 2 years
- District 8 Administrator for 2 years

Jim is also one of the first to respond when a volunteer is needed and brings a great spirit and cheery attitude. He finds solutions and solves obstacles. He is very deserving of this honor for his work on behalf of the children of our communities.

Inductee: John Welbourn
District 8
League Affiliation: Calgary West Little League

John has been a huge contributor to Little League and youth baseball in general over his many years of involvement. It became more what hasn't John done in baseball when I started to fill this out.

- 9 years coaching, including two Canadian Championships

- 3 years as President of Calgary West Little League, and many more as a member of the league executive, coordinating, umpiring and running player development camps
 - 7 years District 8 Administrator
 - 2 years Prairie Division Director
 - 2 years Vice-President of Little League Canada
 - Successful lawyer and arbitrator
- I am sure that I am missing even more! To top it all off he is a super nice guy and is a well deserving recipient of this honor for his dedication to the children of our communities.

Inductee: Terry Murphy
Alberta District 2

Started his association with Little League Baseball in 1967 with Hardisly Little League. He held many positions over the years from equipment manager to league president. He was involved in the preparation for and operation of the Little League Canadian Major Tournaments held in Edmonton in 1972 and 1989. Terry has been involved in all aspects of the operation of Alberta District #2 since the mid seventies in either the role of district administrator or assistant district administrator. In addition, Terry has been involved with Little League Alberta since its inception. Perhaps most notable of his accomplishments have been his involvement in re-writing bylaws for the District, Little League Alberta and the Canadian Organization.

Inductee: Glen Fargey
Alberta District 2

Had his first introduction to L.L. in 1969. While spectating at a game, Doug Watt approached him and asked if he would be interested in umpiring. He immediately got hooked on the art of umpiring and began to attend clinics and umpired for 7 years. In 1977 he became President of Ottewell Little League and held this position for a couple years along with running the concession at Gold Bar Park to raise funds for the league. In the late 1980's he attended an umpiring clinic in Williamsport and then conducted a clinic in Fort McMurray and Grimshaw. He also took on the role of equipment manager for East Park and coached at the Senior level. After resigning from East Park he became Director at large for Alberta District 2. Throughout these years many lasting relationships were formed.

Inductee: Marline McLennan
Alberta District 2

In 1972 Marline joined South Jasper Place Little League and was a member of the board until 1980. Had many different titles over the years from being in charge of umpires to being Senior Director. In 1974 the league President Lindy Linden asked her to attend regular district meetings on Saturday morning once a month. This is when they

started using their motor home as an office for the Senior division All Star games. Helen was the announcer and Marline was the scorekeeper and this went on for about 8 years. In 1975 she went on the District 2 board as the Director at large. She was ADA Majors, ADA Juniors and so on. She also coordinated getting scorekeepers and announcers for All Star and Prairie division tournaments. In 2003 she was elected onto the board for LLA and Alberta Amateur Baseball Council. She is still involved to this day and is having the time of her life.

Inductee: Dave McLennan
Alberta District 2

Dave became involved with Jasper Place Little League in 1982 after his sons had joined to play. He assisted in setting up diamonds for playing on evenings and weekends (1990 – 2 Major fields in Collingwood, 1992 – 1 Junior field in Collingwood). In 1992 he retired from Transalta Utilities and assisted Bon Benson in building the Senior field at Collingwood in 1993. In 2000 he assisted in the District playoffs in Confederation Park and helped the City of Edmonton staff in Goldstick Park, and is still doing so.

Inductee: Kevin Kvame
Little League Alberta/Little League Alberta District #1

Kevin began as a league volunteer, coach, and executive member with Fort Macleod Little League from 1982 to 1986. In 1985, he was instrumental in the construction of a new ballpark for the community and brought American Legion Baseball to the community. The ballpark, Westwinds Stadium, later was the site of three consecutive National Junior Little League Championships. In 1987, he became President of the League and held that role for three years. In 1989, Fort Macleod hosted their first of three aforementioned Championships for Little League Canada. They were the first of seven National Championships that Kevin has been involved with as Tournament Director. Kevin was elected to his first term as President of Little League Alberta in 1989 and soon after took the reigns of Alberta District #1 as District Administrator in 1990. He was elected as Western Vice President of Little League Canada in 1991. He maintained involvement in all of these levels since that time. In 2002, in his third separate term of District Administrator, Kevin brought the National Little League Championships to Lethbridge and a new state of the art Little League Park, Canola Harvest Field, to the city as well. That tournament remains one of the finest Little League Canada has ever seen according to many who attended! In 2007, Kevin returned to the Little League Canada executive as Vice-President and is currently in charge on business plan operations for Little League Canada. He remains President of Little League Alberta and District Administrator for Alberta District #1. He feels the most important unfinished goal still is to acquire a better working relationship with Baseball Canada and have Little League as a partner in providing grassroots baseball.

Many of his Little League Alberta accomplishments include the establishment of the AA Program now in its 18th year, the Rocky Mountain Baseball School, the Coaching Kit Education program, the involvement of Little League Alberta on the Alberta Amateur Baseball Council, as well as an open and positive approach to new ideas and initiatives.

Kevin would be the first to thank the many volunteers and dedicated Little League personnel who devoted tirelessly to these and other tasks. They are the ones who share this award!