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MEDIA RELEASE

ISC Hall of Fame Breakfast – Auction Items/Raffle; Ticket Update

On Sunday morning August 14, the International Softball Congress Hall of Fame will host its annual induction breakfast at the Ramada Inn Ball Room in Moline IL.

The Class of 2011 induction will be held as part of the ISC Championships in Moline IL and build on the successes of the previous Hall of Fame celebrations that have been held annually since the initial induction in 1965.

Doors will open at 7:30 am, with breakfast at 8:00 and the program and inductions at 9:15 am. The event will adjourn at 11:15 am, in advance of the Sunday scheduled games at 12:00 noon at the Greenvally Sports Complex.

BALLPARK RADIO BROADCAST


The Induction Breakfast (8:00 – 11:15 am) will be broadcast on Ballpark Radio starting at 9:15 am (Central Daylight Time) – note the following link for information

<http://www.fastpitchwest.com/?p=13654>

AUCTION AND RAFFLE

The event will feature a 50/50 raffle as well as a silent auction with proceeds directed to the Carrol Forbes Foundation. The foundation, established in 1995 in memory of ISC founder Carrol Forbes, provides funding for youth development programs to “invest in the future” of fastball, as well as an annual scholarship.

Items confirmed for the silent auction and raffle items include:

-  **Golf green fees for two**, with riding cart and a dozen Dunlop deep distance golf balls at Saukie Golf Course, 3101 38th Street, Rick Island IL Phone 309-786-9142
Opened in 1928, an Executive length (5000 yards, par 66) course – **Value - \$84**

- ✚ **Baseball bat autographed by Tom Henke**, Taos MO (Toronto Blue Jays) inducted into Cdn Baseball Hall of Fame 2011, donated by Taylor Bats, St. Mary's ON – **Value – PRICELESS!**
- ✚ **ISC T-shirts** - donated by Host Committee
- ✚ **Worth baseball glove autographed by Ferguson Jenkins** (Baseball Hall of Fame 1991), courtesy Larry Margetts, New Hamburg, ON – **Value – PRICELESS!**
- ✚ **Autographed “Stars of Fastball” collector cards** from the 1996 Canadian Championships, including Jody Hennigar & Brian Paton (both ISC HoF 2011) – **Value - PRICELESS**
- ✚ **Golf green fees for two plus**, riding cart and a dozen Dunlop “Deep Distance” golf balls, at Palmer Hills Golf Course, 2999 Middle Road, Bettendorf, IA Phone 563-332-8296 - **Value - \$92**
- ✚ **Z-MAN Darren Zack** – limited edition hardcover book of Darren Zack, fastball's dominant pitcher of the 1990s – donated by Sports & Scholarships - **Value - \$35**
- ✚ **Autographed poster print of Darren Zack** – **Value – PRICELESS!**
- ✚ **Coffee table Book-** “The Open Golf Championship of Canada – A Century of Champions” – donated by Sports & Scholarships – **Value \$60**
- ✚ **12 pack of 50 ml bottles** of Hornitos Nuestro Tequila – donated by John Thompson – **Value \$35**
- ✚ **Hockey books** – “The Complete Hockey Dictionary” and “Quest for the Cup – 45 Years with the Kitchener Rangers” donated by Sports & Scholarships – **Value \$55**
- ✚ **ISC softball memorabilia autographed by Marty Kernaghan, Lucas Mata/Julio Gramarci, Mike Piechnik, Brad Underwood & Darren Zack** – donated by John Thompson – **Value - PRICELESS**

Tickets for the 50/50 raffle may be purchased, and bids for the silent auction may be made between 7:30 am and the start of the induction program at 9:15 am. Winners will be announced at the closing remarks of the event, scheduled for 11:15 am.

TICKETS UPDATE

Tickets (\$20/person) are available:

IN PERSON

Quad Cities Convention and Visitors Bureau

1601 River Drive, Suite #110, Moline IL 61265

The bureau is open Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm and Saturday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

ON-LINE and RESERVED TABLES OF EIGHT

Tickets, including reserved **tables of eight (8) for \$150**, may also be purchased on-line using VISA/MC credit cards by contacting Breakfast Event Chair John Thompson at sstj99@gmail.com or 519-884-4050 until Thursday noon.

AT ISC REGISTRATION or TEAM MANAGERS MEETING

It appears that the Hall of Fame Breakfast will be **SOLD OUT** as of **Saturday August 13** and tickets will **NOT** be available at the door to the breakfast event on Sunday morning August 14.

CLASS OF 2011 INDUCTEES

The Class of 2011 includes elite softball players and passionate builders of the sport. Six inductees are being recognized for their collective accomplishments and achievements as players, management and builders.

DAVE BLACKBURN - Santa Monica CA (Commissioner – Broadcasting)

(Bob Welby Memorial Award for Recognition of Services)

Supported by patron Fred Cohen, Championship LLC, Elk Grove Village IL

ROBERT GRAY - Wetumpka AL (Administrator)

Supported by patrons Jim & Sue Hallman (Aberdeen Homes), Kitchener ON

JODY HENNIGAR - Halifax NS (Pitcher/Infielder)

Supported by Patron Dave T. Anderson, Murphy's Fish and Chips, Truro NS

JERRY HOFFMAN - Irvine CA (Infielder)

Supported by patron Don Stout, Stout Tower, Huntington Beach CA

BRIAN PATON - Woodstock ON (Outfielder)

Supported by patron Jack Fireman, Toronto Gators 1993-96, Toronto ON

LANNY RUPP (deceased) - Lakewood CA (Field Manager)

Supported by patron Hice Stiles (ISC HoF 2001), Corporate Business Interiors Irvine CA

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For more information, please contact
John Thompson, Chair – Breakfast Event Committee
ISC Hall of Fame Class of 2011 Induction
519-884-4050 or by e-mail sstj99@gmail.com

Or on the weekend at the Ramada Inn – 309-762-8811