

Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame

Echoes of Glory

Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame and Museum

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WINTER/SPRING 2021/2022 Newsletter



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Join Our Team

2022 Membership Drive

Individual: \$25

Family: \$40

Business/Org: \$60

HALL OF FAME HAPPENINGS



Although our facility was forced to close due to COVID-19 regulations, we were able to help with the 2022 Scotties Tournament of Hearts by serving as a curbside pick up spot for volunteer and Future Stars uniforms. We also reunited Heather Houston (skip), Lorraine Lang (third), Diane Adams (second) and Tracy Kennedy (lead) with the trophy that they won in 1988 and 1989. We are once again open to the public and providing programming and hosting events. Thanks to all of our supporters who helped get us through a challenging couple of years.

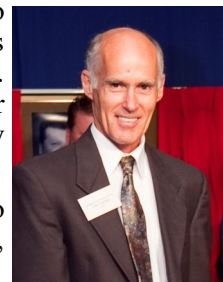
As we look to 2022 we are planning for the return of our annual *Induction Ceremonies*, *Fred Bragnalo Memorial Golf Tournament* and *Heritage Classic Doubles Funspiel*. We are also excited to be introducing an *Art Auction* being hosted by inductee Vern Stenlund and his sister Carol Kajorinne. As in the past, you can also help preserve sports heritage by purchasing/renewing a yearly membership, supporting our 2022 Fame 600 Club Draw, and making a tax-deductible donation. Drop by for a visit, Tuesday to Saturday 12-5.

Names In The News

Staff News: We bid a sad farewell to **Mary Francis Maarup** who moved to southern Ontario and we thank her for continuing to help us out by volunteering her time and talents with our social media activities. Thanks to Superior CVI Co-Op student **Sean Kelly** who updated our NHL listing. Congratulations to Curator **Kate Dwyer** who this February marked 35 years with the SHOF.

A big vote of thanks to retiring Board member **John Garland** who served 26 years as a Director. A member of the Executive since 2000, he held every position, including President, contributing a great deal.

Six of our volunteers recently received *Ontario Volunteer Service Awards*. Congratulations to **Dave Gerry** (25 years), **Marlene Yurick** (10 years), **Rob Murphy** (10 years), **Kevin Cleghorn** (5 years), **Donna Newhouse** (5 years) and **Ric Nicholletts** (5 years). Thanks for your support.



Inductee In Memoriam

Dolly Amadeo ('86)

Steve Gain ('96)

Bill Hodgson Jr. ('86)

Joe Lipinski ('96)

Dennis Olson ('18)

Jim Antosiak ('06)

Frank Gartrell ('92)

Tom Jones ('88)

Bob McCammon ('94)

R. H. 'Bob' Peters ('02)

Robert Cameron ('83)

Bill Hall ('95)

Ron Kapitan ('86)

Pat McSweeney ('06)

Bill Sutherland ('85)

Funding
Partners:



Proud Member of:

International Sports Heritage Association (ISHA), Canadian Association for Sport Heritage (CASH), Canadian Museum Association (CMA), Ontario Museum Association (OMA), Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce, Arts & Heritage Alliance (AHA), Superior Shores Gaming Association

Fundraising For Sports Heritage !



Art Auction-Hosted by Vern Stenlund & Carol Stenlund Kajorinne Live Auction - Sports Hall of Fame - Saturday April 23rd, 7:00 pm Online - hosted on 32 Auctions website prior to live event

Inductee Vern Stenlund and his sister Carol Stenlund Kajorinne will be hosting an Art Auction featuring artwork they have created with proceeds all going to the SHOF. One piece includes an autograph of NHL great Bobby Orr. The bidding will start online and will culminate in a live event at the SHOF on Saturday April 23rd.

2021 Fred Bragnalo Memorial Golf Tournament

We were back on course at the *Fort William Golf & Country Club* last summer marking the 34th year that golfers took to the links in support of sports heritage. A big vote of thanks to our golf committee, volunteers, 125 participants, donors, sponsors and prize donors, who all helped to raise over **\$14,500** for the Hall of Fame. Congratulations to Front 9 champs Wayne Fortes, Jared Rosenfeld, Max Ukraniec and Gary Nistico from the Westfort Maroons and Back 9 champs Dan McIlwain, Ken McIlwain, Murray McIlwain and Doug Demeo. See you on July 25th at the FWG & CC.

2022 Fred Bragnalo Memorial Golf Tournament - Monday July 25th



Thanks to **Superior Shores Gaming Association** for their support during COVID-19 which allowed us to raise close to \$9,000 in 2021.

Our dedicated volunteers are now able to return to help out and if you are interested please call the SHOF at 622-2852.



Thanks to the management and staff of **Circle K Store 1436**, which is located at 345 May Street North in Thunder Bay, who sell Nevada tickets on our behalf. Through their efforts in 2021 we raised \$1,100 bringing the total money raised through this fundraising partnership to over \$24,000.

2022 FAME 600 CLUB LOTTERY TICKETS - ON SALE NOW

50 Draws ~ \$12,000 in total prizes ~ Only 600 tickets printed ~ \$50/ticket

40 Cash Prizes - with draws of \$50, \$100, \$200, \$250, \$500 and \$1000

36th Edition

Plus 10 Merchandise Prizes including:

- 2 tickets to a 2022-23 **Minnesota Vikings** game + **\$1000 cash**
- \$500 in Gift certificates (\$100 Esso, \$100 Petro-Canada, \$100 Keg, \$100 Canadian Tire and \$100 Play it Again Sports)
- golf passes for the **Fort William Golf & Country Club** • **Golf Thunder Bay** • **Craig Morton golf lessons**
- **Landale Gardens \$100** gift certificate • 3-month **Canada Games Complex** membership,
- season passes to the **SIJHL North Stars** • **Dinner for 4 & curling with champions** at the **FWCC**.

Draws held between July 25th and September 7th, 2022

Winning tickets go back in drum so tickets are eligible for all draws

- no cash redemption on merchandise prizes - if event not held winner has option of receiving cash value or tickets for future event -

Tickets available by calling 622-2852, emailing nwosport@tbaytel.net and from Board members

Thanks for the Support!

COVID-19 Funding: Thanks to the Government of Canada for providing support through their Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) and the COVID-19 Emergency Support Fund for Heritage Organizations.

Ontario Trillium Foundation Community Building Fund Grant: Thanks to the OTF for their support which will assist with the ongoing preservation of our sports heritage collection and programming activities.

Community Museum Operating Grant: Thanks to the Ontario *Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries* for our 2021-22 CMOG allocation.

Youth Employment Grant: Thanks to the Government of Canada for our 2021 Canada Summer Jobs grant.

City of Thunder Bay Cultural Funding Grant: The Sports Hall of Fame is fortunate to receive yearly City of Thunder Bay funding. Be sure to let your Councillors know how much you appreciate their support of sports heritage.