

OHIO HORSESHOE PITCHERS ASSOCIATION - HALL OF FAME

The Ohio Horseshoe Pitchers Association's ("OHPA") Hall of Fame was established in 1977. By that time, 8 Ohio horseshoe pitchers had been inducted into the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association's ("NHPA") Hall of Fame and became automatic inductees and members of the OHPA Hall of Fame. Any Ohio pitcher inducted into the NHPA Hall of Fame will become automatic members of the OHPA Hall of Fame. After confirmation of a minimum one-year Ohio residency, any future NHPA Hall of Fame inductees will automatically be nominated to the OHPA Hall of Fame Committee.

The OHPA Hall of Fame ("HOF") Committee

The HOF Committee ("Committee") shall consist of ten (10) OHPA members which includes the OHPA President, five (5) Vice-Presidents, the Secretary-Treasurer and three (3) at-large members in good standing with the OHPA. The at-large members will be chosen annually by the Committee Chairperson.

The annual duties of the Committee members are:

- To review the qualifications of all nominees.
- To independently vote for up to five (5) of the nominees in each category.
- Send their votes to the Chairperson by the designated deadline each year.

If a Committee member has been nominated, they:

- Cannot vote within the category to which they were nominated;
- Can remove their nomination during any particular year and vote for others in their category; and
- Can vote for nominees in the other 2 categories.

Guidelines for Nomination into the OHPA Hall of Fame:

Anyone can nominate another person by completing a nomination form, available on the OHPA website listed below or upon request from the Committee Chairperson. The nominee should have been active in the sport for a minimum of 10 years.*

Please provide this person's tournament pitching records from the national, state and local events; offices or other leadership positions held by them at national, state, or local levels; books or articles they may have written; anything they may have done to promote or publicize the sport; pictures; and any other accomplishments, on or off the courts, which pertains to the category they are being nominated in.

Once a person has been nominated, he/she will remain on a nominated list indefinitely. New information about the nominee may be added from year to year.

No individual will be considered for nomination who is, or has ever been, under suspension at the state or national level.

Completed nomination forms must be received by the OHPA no later than **June 1st** of the nomination year.

*If a majority of the Committee members agree, this length of time could be less due to extenuating circumstances such as early or unexpected death, etc.

Hall Of Fame Categories

PLAYER: Anyone who has brought prestige to the sport of horseshoe pitching through outstanding performance on the courts.

PLAYER/ORGANIZER: Anyone who has achieved both an outstanding pitching record on the courts and has also become a worthy administrator, promoter/organizer, or officer at the local, state, and/or national level.

PROMOTER/ORGANIZER: Anyone who, through his or her devotion to the game, has made a significant contribution through time and effort in the advancement of the sport of horseshoe pitching in an administrative capacity such as promoter or organizer of events, or an officer at the local, state, and/or national level.

Selection Process

After reviewing the qualifications of all the nominees in each of the three categories, each voting Committee member will cast votes of 5 points for their first choice, 4 points for their second choice, 3 points for their third choice, 2 points for their fourth choice, and 1 point for their fifth choice.

The formula for election is: Number of Committee members voting multiplied by 5, multiplied by 60% or (# voting members x 5 x 0.6). This result is equal to the minimum number of points required for the election of a nominee.

Example: If all 10 Committee members vote, the maximum number of points any given nominee could receive would be 50 points (10 members x 5 points). To become elected to the HOF, a nominee must receive a minimum of 60% of the 50 points possible, or in this example, 30 points. If only 7 Committee members voted, a nominee would require 60% of 35 possible points, or 21 points, to become elected.

The individual(s) with the highest number of votes (above the 60% required) in a particular category will be selected for that year. The Committee Chairperson will decide how a tie should be broken.

The Committee Chairperson, or designate, will present the names of the elected nominees for each category to the members present at the annual convention.

Location of OHPA Hall of Fame

The OHPA HOF is located in the Greenville City Park within Shelter House #4 (close to the courts) in Greenville, Ohio. You will find plaques on the wall for each of the HOF inductees, well-documented history of horseshoe pitching in Ohio and displays of horseshoe memorabilia. The HOF has been developed and maintained by the Darke County Horseshoe Club members.

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