

LA SALLE CLUB

1982 BASEBALL HALL OF FAME
La Salle Club Members, Old Timers
and Friends are invited to attend

THE
31st ANNUAL BASEBALL HALL OF FAME
BANQUET

ON
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5th

Social Hour - 6:00 P.M.

Christian Brothers High School
Cafeteria at 4315 Sacramento Blvd.

\$8.00 per person

ELECTED TO THE 1982 HALL OF FAME

JOE FRATES	ERNIE CERVANTES
JIMMY FLYNN	SYL DE GREGORIO
FIR GALLI	TONY SEPAROVICH
ED HUGHES	PETE TOMASINI
TOM PARODI	JOHNNY VERGEZ

LA SALLE CLUB HALL OF
FAME COMMITTEE

Vincent Stanich
Lou Bordisso
Bill Svilich
Bill Avila
Bill Morebeck
Pete Perich
Elmer Enos
Harry Knight
Henry Wittpen
Jim Burich
Mel James

RSVP BY JANUARY 31

LA SALLE CLUB BASEBALL HALL OF
FAME ROSTER

- 1953 *John "Buddy" Ryan
- 1955 The Knezovich Brothers, Al, Al,
Mel, *Paul, Ray and *Don
- 1957 Al Heist
- 1958 *Brick Eldred, Living Member,
of the Rooney O'Neil family
- 1959 *Earl McNeely
- 1960 Joe Marty
- 1961 *Elwood "Kettle" Wirts
- 1962 *Joe Williams, *Cliff Darringer,
*Fred Pearl, *Mel French
- 1963 Horace Smith, *Harry Lilly,
*Ralph Stroud, the 1934-35
Julius Style Shop Baseball
Club, *Julius Anapolsky
- 1964 *Walter Mails, *Henry Clark,
*Dan Donovan, *Fred Murphy
- 1965 *Big Bill James, *Jimmy Lane
*Manuel Petrali, *Capt. Bill
Ryan
- 1966 *Parker Sheehan, Eddie Manger,
Dewey Elliot, *Vern Hodge,
*Bob Schang
- 1967 *Jack Dooley, *Frank Osborn,
*Frank Bacon, *Arthur Luddy,
*Tommy Dunk
- 1968 *Franz Rooney, *Francis "Hira"
Hall, *Edwin Grove, LLOYD Snook,
*Fred Bottaro
- 1969 Ray Rohwer, *Pete Hepting, Jim
Gorman, *Steve Marietta,
*Bill Shick
- 1970 *Ted Zackney, Tony Freitas,
*Albert Westlake, *Albert
Felix, *Morvin Nevis
- 1971 Frank Rationi, *Dick Deterding,
George Lial, Eggert Rohwer,
*Harry Hooner
- 1972 *Clyde "Tub" Perry, Lenny Backer
Joe Rooney, *John Silvey,
*John Corato, Ralph Young
- 1973 *Paul Genshlea, *James R. Kelly,
Tom Pendergast, *John B Costa
G.W., "Mick" Hall jr. *Frank Judy

- 1974 Allan Byrne, *Clarence Murphy
John "Chick" Casali, *Joe Lima
Elmer Congdon, Hank Ness, Jack
Hoagland, Roscoe Kimble
- 1975 Tony Zupo, *Dick Lamb, James A.
Lefty" Cooke, Larry Williams,
Wallace Canfield, *Fred
Belluomini, Mike Visintainer
- 1976 Frank Armstrong, Mike Separovich
*Elwood J. Keema, *George "Butter
Cole, Phil McGee, Larry Gillick
Steve George, Elmer Enos
- 1977 Alex Kampouris, *Earl Eberlein
*Peter Mitchell, Dave Rodrick
*Dr. Alfred A. Oliver, Joe Smith
Bill Avila, Mike Page
- 1978 Earl Wagner, LLOYD Wagner, *Jack
Stassi, Herb Forsch, Manuel
Salvo, Clement "Boo" Coyle, Gus
Kortstein, William Peccole
Harold "Sam Sperbeck
- 1979 Lou Bordisso, Ned Carbone, Joe
Duarte, N.G. Culjis, Lloyd Toomey
Percy Gassoway, *Karl Reimer,
Mike Bakarich
- 1980 Lou Heinzer, Victor Pitts,
George Terra, Robert Duggan,
Lou Vezilich, Elton Rogers,
Bill Svilich, Tony Dutra.
- 1981 Vincent F. Stanich, Clarence
Azevedo, John Pintar, Ken
Brock, Mark Separovich, Manuel
Joseph, Glenn Smith, Bill
Kenealy, Vito Virga

* Denotes Deceased Members

1982 La Salle Club Baseball Hall Of Fame

JOE FRATES;

JIMMY FLYNN; Just outline CB

FIR GALLI

ED HUGHES;

TOM PARODI; CB

ERNIE CERVANTES;

SYL De GREGORIO

TONY SEPAROVICH; CB

PETE TOMASINI; No Information

JOHNNY VERGEZ;

JOE FRATES....This is not the first time that Frates has been honored for his baseball exploits..He was feted at a banquet at the Dante Club back in 1958, after he had turned in his fifth championship in nine years by leading the Julius club to a pennant in the Sacramento Winter League.....He previously had won pennants for Julius in 1951 and 1953...Sandwiched in were championships for ^{DANNY BIRNBAUM'S} Clarkes burg~~m~~ in the County League in 1951 and 1953. At one time in his career he had a team which averaged 17 years of age battling in the top division...

Some of his stalwarts were Tony Stathos, Dan Antipis, Bill Atkins, Buzz Berriesford, Augie Amorena, Dick DeFazio, Tom Galli, Buddy Boyer, Bud Farley, Tom Agosta, Jack Steinagel, Woody Held and Johnny McNamara...Three of that group played on all of his five pennant winners..They were McNamara, DeFazio and Amorena...Everyone of his original teen agers had subsequently signed a professional contract...Frates, himself, had a successful career in the lower divisions of the winter league...with Manuel Joseph, American Jewelers and Cannery Union in the American A Division...Three of those years he batted over .400...

LA SALLE HALL OF FAME... 31st ANNUAL

First induction held at Christian Brothers High School in 1952.

Current committee in charge of selection is headed by Bill Svlich, Secretary; Lou Bordisso, Bill Avila, Bill Morebeck, Peter J. Perich, Elmer Enos, Harry Knight, Henry Wittpen, James Burich.

For those who have been nominated to the La Salle Hall of Fame, this form is being used so that a complete record will be available for the induction ceremonies. Additionally, this will assist the publicity committee in releasing information to the press.

UPON THE COMPLETION OF THIS FORM, PLEASE MAIL TO: Vincent T. Stanich, 1411 Marian Way, Sacramento, California, 95818.

NAME Jimmy Flynn
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 BUSINESS RETIRED BUS. ADDRESS _____
 PHONES: RESIDENCE 456-3616 BUSINESS _____
 DATE OF BIRTH AUGUST 15 1912 PLACE OF BIRTH SACRAMENTO

EMPLOYMENT: CHRISTIAN BROS. HIGH SCHOOL 1935-1937
SACRAMENTO HIGH SCHOOL 1937-1973

EDUCATION: SAN FRANCISCO 1918 TO 1921
 Elementary School WILLIAM LAND
 Location 117th SAN SACRAMENTO From 1922 To 1926
 High School CHRISTIAN BROTHERS From 1926 To 1930
 College or University ST. MARYS COLL. From 1931 To 1935

Contributed to Sports as a Benefactor? () Competitor? () (Check one)
 Coach? () General? () or more)

SPORTS ACTIVITIES IN WHICH THE NOMINEE PARTICIPATED:

Sport	Where	When
<u>FOOTBALL</u>	<u>CHRISTIAN BROS.</u>	<u>1927, 28, 29</u>
<u>BASKETBALL</u>	<u>" "</u>	<u>1928-29, 1929-30</u>
<u>BASEBALL</u>	<u>AMERICAN LEGION</u>	<u>1929</u>
<u>BASEBALL</u>	<u>CHRISTIAN BROS</u>	<u>1930</u>
<u>BASKETBALL</u>	<u>Y.M.I. (SUBSTITUTE)</u>	<u>1930-31</u> <small>V.F. STANICH COACH</small>
<u>FOOTBALL</u>	<u>ST. MARYS COLLEGE</u>	<u>1931, 32, 33, 34</u>
<u>BASKETBALL</u>	<u>" " "</u>	<u>1931-32, 32-33</u>
<u>BASEBALL</u>	<u>" " "</u>	<u>1932, 33, 34, 35</u>

SPORTS ACTIVITIES NOMINEE PARTICIPATED IN BEYOND SCHOOLING:

Semi-Professional

Sport	<u>BASEBALL</u>	Position	<u>PITCHER</u>	Where	<u>PERKINS RURAL LEAGUE</u>	When	<u>1930</u>
Sport	<u>"</u>	Position	<u>"</u>	Where	<u>MR. CARP ALL STARS</u>	When	<u>1931</u>
Sport	<u>"</u>	Position	<u>"</u>	Where	<u>CLARKS WANDERERS</u>	When	<u>1932 *</u>

Professional

Sport	<u>"</u>	Position	<u>PITCHER O-F</u>	Where	<u>ELKUS SPORT SHOP</u>	When	<u>1933 *</u>
Sport	<u>"</u>	Position	<u>"</u>	Where	<u>VALLEY LEAGUE</u>	When	<u>1934 *</u>
Sport	<u>"</u>	Position	<u>PITCHER-16R</u>	Where	<u>CHINA-BERETTA WINTER LEAGUE</u>	When	<u>1935 + 1936</u>

Military or Other

Sport	<u>BASEBALL</u>	Position	<u>"</u>	Where	<u>TWILIGHT LEAGUES</u>	When	<u>1929-33</u>
Sport	<u>"</u>	Position	<u>YMI ALL TALKERS</u>	Where	<u>MURRAY JENKINS SERVICE STA.</u>	When	<u>"</u>
Sport	<u>"</u>	Position	<u>"</u>	Where	<u>"</u>	When	<u>"</u>

List chronologically (dates, places, organizations) the outstanding achievements of your career: NONE

Honors received due to sports activities (Awards, Letters, Citations, etc.)

Has community benefitted from nominee's EFFORTS (Publicity, Booster, etc.)

NO - BUT I HAVE

List any special events or amusing stories or other pertinent information not covered in the above resume: IN 1932, MY ROOMMATE AND FRIEND JIM MARTY, WERE TEAMMATES ON THE ST. MARYS FROSH BASEBALL TEAM. IN A 16 INNING GAME PLAYED AGAINST THE UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO FROSH TEAM, WE WON 2 TO 1. I THREW THE FULL 16, BUT MARTY WAS THE HERO BY BATTING IN THE WINNING RUN, ALONG WITH MARLON. HE PUT OUTS IN LEFT FIELD. THIS FEAT SHOULD BE IN THE GUINNESS BOOK OF RECORDS. SUFFICE TO SAY - THERE WERE 1 FENCES. ACTUALLY, ALL THREE OUTFIELDERS, BECAUSE OF EXHAUSTION, MISSED THE NEXT DAYS PRACTICE.

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR NAME INSCRIBED ON TROPHY?

JIM FLYNN

WITH MANY THANKS FOR THIS UNDESERVED HONOR

FIR GALLI...A pitcher during his entire career...He started in 1924 when he was attending Stanford Junior High School...His first noteworthy accomplishment was a no-hitter in behalf of Elk Grove when they defeated Franklin in the County League championship game in 1928...Then Galli pitched another no-hitter in 1933 for Red Jackets against Bryte...After that game Galli came up with a sore arm that ended his pitching career...He became the manager of the State Box Club in the American A Division of the Winter League for 11 years always finishing second except in 1951 when his club won the pennant. He was assistant coach from 1949 to 1952 with Ernie Perry and George Lial for the Post 61 team...In 1953 Galli joined Tom Parodi to coach Southside Legion. Galli then turned to the Babe Ruth League...He was picked to coach the Sacramento Babe Ruth All Stars who won the Northern and Central Division playoffs qualifying for the State Championship in ~~Rancho Dominguez~~ Pasadena against Visalia. The locals lost...Galli concluded his baseball career by coaching Paul Motors in the National Division in 1953 and 1954...Later Galli turned to Bowling winning the 3rd annual Park and Recreation Senior Citizen Bowling tournament by rolling a 744 series in 1977...He was given an award by the Recreation Department/23 years of continuous participation in the Winter League...
for

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Nov. 27, 1981

Dear Vince:

I would have written this letter sooner but I have been out of state since you called me some time ago, recently in fact regarding induct into the La Salle Hall of Fame. Have done a lot of thinking since your call and I have decided to decline the offer.

All through the years your committee has ignored the fact that the Hughes's as a family of ball players, father and two sons have for 50 plus years played baseball locally and back East as well, both semi-pro and professional, we represented the town of Sacramento more than any other family. My father Jay was and still is the best pitcher that ever pitched here and with Baltimore and Brooklyn, if the Forsch boys have passed him in 80 big league victories it has just been recently, and it took the 8 or 10 years to win that many, he did it in only four years, and held the record for eighty years. I think it is a sad fact that the La Salle Hall of Fame committee have not granted him any honor at all, tho I have talked to you and a few others about it for the past 6 years.

Brother Jay played locally in the winter league with Heesemans, Great Western Power Co. and other ball clubs, was a good ball player and could hit with power as well as percentage. He played in the Valley league for years with Colusa and maybe Oroville as well. He played professionally in the Arizona State League, Texas league, Evansville in the three eye league Albany, N.Y. American assoc. I believe. He played for over 10 years pro. as far as I grew up I idolized him, being the youngest in the family, 11 years my brothers junior.

You know my baseball history Vince as you have written me up in your column since you started the 'Behold the Bushers' back in the early 30's. But what you didn't know is that it was not through lack of ability that I didn't continue in the Majors with Cleveland, but the fact was that when I was playing in early years sandlot ball as a youngster, a fellow pitcher a bat fly as he swung, I threw my left arm up at the last second or it would have hit me in the head, the bat hit the Ulnar Nerve area (crazy ball we used to call it) the pain was unbearable and my arm was numb down to finding my hand, I had to go to the hospital for treatment, I never got over this injury. Playing ball once a week as we did in the winter league didn't cause me too much trouble, but playing everyday ball as I did when Charlie Graham signed me up with the S.F. Seals, my arm bothered me the more I threw and it also affected my hitting as my elbow nerve plus bone fragments the joint suffered and so did I. I didn't say anything about it, even when I went back to Cleveland, thence to Butler P.A. then to New Orleans in 1936. I hit cleanup there as well as Butler P.A. Believe I alternated with Jeff Heath at New Orleans Pelican spring training camp, he was my roommate and buddy back there, this is where my arm (elbow joint) got so inflamed that I finally had a long talk with my manager Larry Gilbert and Billy Evans Cleveland Gen. Manager regarding my elbow, they sent me to a doctor and told me to rest the arm or it would get worse, I came back to Sac. after being released and Bill Killefer signed me with the Sac. Solons, the elbow got worse, I had trouble throwing and swinging the bat. Killefer sent me to Dr. Haag (orthopedic Dr.) He said a operation was risky (in those days I guess it was) he advised me to quit baseball, which I did reluctantly and very disappointed, I was lucky to get my Fish and Game job back.

I feel the Hughes family should have been inducted long before the present time, my dad started pitching probably long before he beat the (1897) world champion Baltimore Orioles 4-2 at Snowflake park 28th and Rst. Jay my father was athlete of the year in 1899 when he won 26 only lost 4 Broc

TOM PARODI....A southsider...^{First string} first baseman for the Christian Bros
frmm 1926 to 1930...Busy competing in baseball, locally for a 10
year period concluding in 1936...Played with Joe Davis Haberdashery
two years, won championship both years; Old Ironsides, won champion-
ship; Cy's Barber Shop in the Twilight League--won championship...
With Blue Label Malt; won division title...With Pocket in the Sacra-
mento Rural League, also, won the pannant...Also played with "aribald
Was American Legion Area 1 Commissioner from 1959-61...Manager-dir-
ector Southside Legion Post 662...Junior American Legion Baseball man
of the year, 1961..Still active backer for the Southside Legion team
in local competiton.

ERNIE CERVANTES...His four sons have given credit to the Cervantes name...They are Gene, Ernie, Jr., Eddie and Eric...Eddie is still playing professional ball in the Mexican League...Eric, at 25 may still be interested...Our honored guest is still active in baseball holding the spot of catcher in the annual Old Timers game incidents to the Bushers Picnic at McKinley Park.

Ernie played baseball with the Sacramento High School during his prep days...Then in the Wacramento Winter League with Gene Hughes and Kimball Upson...During the war he was stationed at Guam, playing with the Fleet Hospital club along with Dobby Schang Jr, Phil Rizzuto and Johnny ~~McKxxxxxx~~ Vandermeer...Active for many years in the Mexican-American Leagues, Ernie was honored by that group when they inducted them into their Hall of Fame in 1975...Ernie had a brief tryout with the St. Louis Cardinals when they conducted a clinic here in 1935....

Chick & Lou

SYL DE GREGORIO...Although his early youth was spent in Sacramento, Syl has been a resident of Las Vegas for the last 35 years...His present position is that of Casino Manager of the Golden Gate Club in down town Las Vegas...He showed great promise as a ball player playing both short stop and the third base position when he attended Sacramento High School in 1934...In his teens in played with the big boys, with Susanville in 1934 and with the Reno Garage team in Reno in 1933 and 1934...He played briefly with Clarks Wanderers in the Valley League in 1935...He signed a professional contract after playing briefly in the Sacramento Winter League with City Taxi, Julius Style Shop and Kimball Upson...He did get in one year with Post 61...~~He~~ ^{Reno Sox} He Played the 1938 season with Georgia and in Mississippi in 1939...He came back to Reno to play with Reno...He went into the military for the duration playing with Fort Warren and Tucson...He did get in some more baseball in La S Vegas in 1947...

In the 31 years that we were ~~in~~ ^{having} our Hall of Fame, he has missed very few sessions, flying here most of the ~~time~~ ^{time} with the Peccoles who are also regulars...At his age, 65, Syl is one of the top/golfer ^{amateur} nationally, playing that sport daily...He misses very few World Series games, no matter where they are played...

TONY SEPAROVICH...Youngest of three Separevich brothers...The other two have already been inducted into the La Salle Hall Fame...Mark was brought in last year...Tony was a pitcher, and a good one...His career started with Christian Brothers where he was on the varsity from 1929 to 1933, replacing his brother, who was the No. 1 chucker the previous two years...Played with a number of winter league teams until 1936, when he went one year with Quincy...Was appointed pitcher for the Chico Colts in 1937 by Larry Dillick...He pitched successfully for that club for 16 years when he took over as the manager...While in the service in Japan in 1945 and 1946, he was the No. 1 pitcher...Tony was elected to the Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame in Chico, 1980...Inducted Northern California Hall of Fame in 1974...Coached CYO basketball teams in Chico 1958 to 1962...Managed American Legion Baseball, Chico, 1949...Oldest brother, Mike, was inducted into the La Salle Hall of Fame in 1976

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La Salle Old Timers Night, Friday, 2-5-82

JOHNNY VERGEZ...Now living in Kelly Ridge, near Oroville, Vergez first started playing baseball while attending Alameda High School back in 1921, along with Dick Bartell...Immediately after his graduation day, Vergez was grabbed off by the Oakland Oaks, ^{PCL} making the club as a third sacker in 1928...He attracted the big league scouts in 1929, when he connected for 46 home runs, a record for an Oakland Oaks playerx...It will never be beaten. The New York Giants bought Johnny where he made the club in 1931. He was a member of the 1933 Giants when they won the World Series from the Washington Senators. In 1935 Johnny went to the Phullies and in 1936 to the Cardinals... He came down to the Minors in 1937, when he joined the Sacramento Solons...That year the Solons finished in first place in the PCL after dwelling in the cellar the prededing year...In 1939 and for five year period, Vergez managed the Oaks...In 1944 and 1945 he was a Giant scout...He concluded his baseball career as baseball coach at St. Mary's College in 1950...