

HALL OF FAME

Beantown Softball League

2009 – Milestone Anniversaries:

5 years – 2004.... **Hall of Fame founded**

Founded in early autumn of 2004, this June will mark the 5th Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony.

30 Years – 1979..... **Boston joins North American Gay Alliance (N.A.G.A.)**

Later to be known as North American Gay Amateur Athletic Association-N.A.G.A.A.A.

30 years – 1979... **Canada Cup Championship**... Boston's first out of town Tournament!

11 players formed a team called "Boston Pops" & travel to Toronto to win, creating a competitive BSL tradition among its teams at home, Tournaments, and the World Series.....which has carried on to the present day!

30 Years – 1979... **Boston's First World Series Appearance**

Held in Milwaukee, Boston's team Paradise finishes as Champion of the consolation round.

25 Years – 1984..... **First "Minuteman Classic Tournament"** hosted by the BSL.

San Francisco, Springfield-MA, New York, Milwaukee, and Washington DC send teams to compete in a Tournament that would soon become the Largest Tournament in the country!

Below: a 1979 advertisement by the Esplanade Softball League in the World Series Program (Milwaukee)

Boston Eagle

Becomes new sponsor of 1978's Esplanade Newspaper Team.
Eagle was located at 88 Queensbury St. in the Fenway

Chaps

An original League team, it finished 2nd in 1978.
This very popular dance club was located on
Huntington Ave behind Boston Public Library.

Darts

Becomes a new team in the League. It is a
short-lived bar on Dartmouth St.
between Boylston & Newbury later to
become the women oriented 'Prelude' bar.

Herbie's Ramrod Room

An original League team, it was Champ in 1978.
This popular bar was located in Park Square near
the current site of BSL Boston Common games.

Paradise

Becomes the new sponsor of much of the
Former Greenleaf Florist Team. Paradise was always
at its present location in Cambridge near M.I.T.

Sporters

Becomes a new team in the League. It was a
bar located on Cambridge St. in the Suffolk University/
Mass General Hospital area.

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Becomes a new team in the League. This bar was
located on the same block as the current Ramrod and was a team
for which many HOF members play their rookie seasons.

