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- International League Announces 2016 Hall of Fame Class - Meulens and Montoyo to be Enshrined

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The International League announced today that former League MVP Hensley Meulens and former League Manager of the Year Charlie Montoyo will be inducted into the circuit's Hall of Fame as members of the Class of 2016. The two men were elected to the IL Hall by a vote of living Hall of Famers, longtime executives, broadcasters, and members of the media.

Members of the Class of 2016 have been added to the International League Hall of Fame plaque display. The inductees will be presented with "The Curtain Call" statue during individual enshrinement ceremonies yet to be scheduled. The IL Hall of Fame plaque display does not have a permanent home, but rather serves as a traveling testament to the storied legacy of the International League.

Hensley Meulens spent parts of five seasons playing for the Columbus Clippers, including unforgettable campaigns in 1990 when he was named IL Most Valuable Player, and in 1992 when he led the League in home runs, RBI, and runs scored to spark Columbus to the Governors' Cup. "Bam Bam" later played a season with the Ottawa Lynx, and after his playing career ended he returned to the circuit in 2005 for a four-year stint as hitting coach in Indianapolis. Since 2010 Meulens has been the hitting coach of the San Francisco Giants, where he's won three World Series rings.

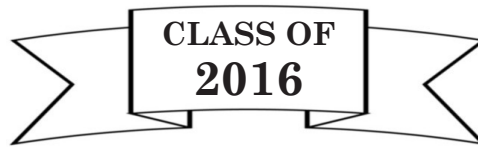
The all-time winningest manager in Durham Bulls history is **Charlie Montoyo**, who departed the IL in 2015 to become third base coach of the Tampa Bay Rays. In eight seasons at the helm in Durham, Montoyo guided the Bulls to seven division titles and a League record six appearances in the Governors' Cup finals, winning it all in 2009 and 2013. The two-time IL Manager of the Year has also been honored as the *Baseball America* Minor League Manager of the Year and the Minor League Baseball Mike Coolbaugh Award recipient.

With the inductions of Meulens (Curaçao) and Montoyo (Puerto Rico), the IL Hall of Fame now has eight members born outside of the United States. Three current members were born in Canada: Joe Knight, Ben Mondor, and George Selkirk. Frank Herrera of Cuba, Roberto Petagine of Venezuela, and Jimmy Walsh of Ireland are the other three IL Hall of Famers born outside the U.S.

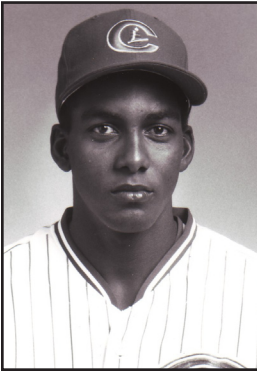
The IL Hall of Fame, established in 1947, was dormant from 1964 until the League's 125th Anniversary season in 2008. Following a three-year transition period (2008-10) in which a total of 50 individuals were inducted after having been selected by a committee, the Class of 2016 was the sixth chosen by the current annual election process. Each year the top three vote-getters who also receive a vote on the majority of ballots returned will be elected. In the most recent election, Meulens and Montoyo were the only two candidates to receive a vote on the majority of ballots, resulting in a reduced size Class of 2016.

Complete statistical data and biographical information on all 118 members of the IL Hall of Fame, along with a copy of the International League Hall of Fame policies, procedures, and guidelines are available at ILBaseball.com.

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Hensley Meulens



- INFIELD/OUTFIELD -
Columbus 1988-90,
1992-93
Ottawa 1997

- COACH -
Indianapolis 2005-08

- * 1990 IL Most Valuable Player
- * Played for 1992 Gov. Cup Champions
- * Led IL in HR, RBI, and R in 1992

A native of Curaçao, Hensley "Bam Bam" Meulens played from 1989 to 2000 in Major League Baseball, Nippon Professional Baseball, and the Korea Baseball Organization. He was the first Curaçaoan to play in Major League Baseball. He speaks five languages: English, Spanish, Dutch, Papiamentu and Japanese. Hitting home runs left-handed while playing softball as a teenager earned Meulens the nickname "Bam Bam" when his friends compared his power to the Flintstones cartoon character.

Meulens was signed by the Yankees as an undrafted free agent in 1985. He first reached the International League in 1988 and eventually spent parts of five seasons playing for the Columbus Clippers. Those years were highlighted by two All-Star campaigns, beginning with 1990 in which he won the League MVP Award while hitting .285 with 26 homers and 96 RBI as an outfielder. Two years later as a third baseman, he led the circuit in home runs (26), RBI (100), and runs scored (96) to spark Columbus to the Governors' Cup. On June 25, 1992 he became the first Clipper in five years to go deep three times in a single game.

In November 1993, the Yankees sold Meulens' contract to the Chiba Lotte Marines of Nippon Professional Baseball, where he spent the 1994 season, hitting 23 home runs. The following season, Meulens helped lead the Yakult Swallows to the 1995 Japan Series Championship. He returned to North America and the IL in 1997, and after an unsuccessful tryout with the Braves, he reached the Majors again briefly playing with the Expos and Diamondbacks. After stops in the independent Atlantic League, the Korea Baseball Organization and the Mexican League, he retired in 2002, after a mid-season injury.

Meulens represented the Netherlands at the 2000 Summer Olympics in Sydney, Australia. He returned to the team as a coach for the 2004 Summer Olympics and the 2009 World Baseball Classic. Meulens was named to serve as manager for the team during the 2013 World Baseball Classic. He spent four seasons as hitting coach in Indianapolis before joining the Giants organization, where he would go on to be hitting coach for the 2010, 2012, and 2014 World Series champions.

Charlie Montoyo



- INFIELDER -
Ottawa 1993, 1996
Scranton/WB 1994-95

- MANAGER -
Durham 2007-14

- * 2010 & 2013 IL Manager of the Year
- * Managed 2009 & 2013 Gov. Cup Champs
- * Durham Franchise Record 633 Wins

Charlie Montoyo was born in Puerto Rico, and played baseball collegiately at Louisiana Tech University before being selected by the Milwaukee Brewers in the sixth round of the 1987 amateur draft. The 5'10", 170-pound infielder enjoyed a ten-year playing career within the Brewers, Expos, and Phillies organizations. Montoyo reached the big leagues in 1993 for a stretch of 27 days, appearing in just four games for Montreal as a second baseman and pinch hitter. He singled in his first big-league at bat off Gary Wayne of the Colorado Rockies. All told, he had two hits in five MLB at bats, with three runs batted in.

Montoyo played in 1,028 minor league games, including 327 in the International League with Ottawa and Scranton/Wilkes-Barre. He was a .274 hitter in the IL with 129 career RBI. Following the 1996 season, Montoyo retired and began his managerial career with the Rookie-level Princeton Devil Rays. A year later he advanced to Short-Season Hudson Valley, going 50-26 and winning a division title. Future stops in the Tampa Bay system included Class-A Charleston and Bakersfield as well as Double-A Orlando and Montgomery, winning the Southern League Championship in 2006.

The 2007 season began Montoyo's illustrious career with the Bulls, leading the team to seven division flags in eight years at the helm. His 2009 club captured both the Governors' Cup and Triple-A National Championship, earning Montoyo honors as the Baseball American Manager of the Year. He was named IL Manager of the Year in 2010 and again in 2013 when his Bulls claimed another Governors' Cup. In 2014, Montoyo surpassed IL Hall of Famer Bill Evers to become Durham's all-time winningest skipper.

Montoyo returned to the Major Leagues in 2015 as third base coach of the Rays. He departed Durham with a remarkable record of 633-515 (.551).

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE - 2016

Hensley Meulens

Infielder / Outfielder / Coach



Full Name Hensley Filemon Acasio Meulens
Born June 23, 1967 in Willemstad, Curaçao
Bats/Throws Right/Right
Height 6'4"
Weight 200

NOTES: 1990 IL Most Valuable Player
 IL Mid-season & Postseason All-Star 1990 (OF) and 1992 (3B)
 Played for 1992 Governors' Cup Champions
 Led IL in HR (26), RBI (100), and runs (96) in 1992
 Hitting Coach, Indianapolis Indians, 2005-08

		IL PLAYING CAREER									
		<u>AVG</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>SB</u>
1988	Columbus	.230	55	209	27	48	9	1	6	22	2
1989	Columbus	.289	14	45	8	13	4	0	1	3	0
1990	Columbus	.285	136	480	81	137	20	5	26	96	6
1992	Columbus	.275	141	534	96	147	28	2	26	100	15
1993	Columbus	.204	75	279	39	57	14	0	14	45	6
1997	Ottawa	.274	121	423	81	116	20	2	24	75	19
TOTALS		.263	542	1970	332	518	95	10	97	341	48

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Charlie Montoyo

Infielder / Manager



Full Name José Carlos Montoyo Díaz
Born October 17, 1965 in Manati, Puerto Rico
Bats/Throws Right/Right
Height 5'10"
Weight 170

NOTES: 2010 & 2013 IL Manager of the Year
 Managed Governors' Cup Champions in 2009 and 2013
 Managed South Division Champions 2007-11; 2013-14
 Owns Durham franchise record for managerial wins (633)
 IL All-Star Manager 2010 & 2014
 2009 Minor League Baseball Mike Coolbaugh Award recipient
 2009 Baseball America Minor League Manager of the Year

IL PLAYING CAREER										
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1993 Ottawa	.279	99	319	43	89	18	2	1	43	0
1994 Scranton/WB	.282	114	387	64	109	28	0	9	47	3
1995 Scranton/WB	.243	92	288	32	70	13	1	3	34	2
1996 Ottawa	.351	22	57	10	20	5	1	0	5	0
TOTALS	.274	327	1051	149	288	64	4	13	129	5

IL MANAGERIAL CAREER					
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>POS</u>	
2007 Durham	80	63	.559	1st	<i>South Division Champions</i>
2008 Durham	74	70	.514	1st	<i>South Division Champions</i>
2009 Durham	83	61	.576	1st	<i>Governors' Cup & Triple-A Champions</i>
2010 Durham	88	55	.615	1st	<i>South Division Champions</i>
2011 Durham	80	62	.563	1st	<i>South Division Champions</i>
2012 Durham	66	78	.458	3rd	
2013 Durham	87	57	.604	1st	<i>Governors' Cup Champions</i>
2014 Durham	75	69	.521	1st	<i>South Division Champions</i>
TOTALS	633	515	.551		

In eight years as manager of Durham, Charlie Montoyo guided the Bulls to seven division titles and two Governors' Cup championships. He is the only manager in League history to lead his team to the Governors' Cup finals six times. His 2009 club won the Triple-A national championship. On July 21, 2014 he broke the franchise record for managerial wins previously held by IL Hall of Famer Bill Evers.

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CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE HALL OF FAME

As of January 26, 2016 (118 Members)

Aaron, Tommie	2008	Holly, Ed	1949	Powers, Pat	1961
Alexander, Dale	2008	Hopper, Clay	2009	Puccinelli, George	2008
Alston, Walter	2010	Howley, Dan	1950	Quellich, George	2008
Altobelli, Joe	2008	Hutchinson, Fred	1954	Rice, Jim	2008
Arlett, Russell "Buzz"	2009	Jacobsen, Merwin	1955	Richmond, Don	2013
Balboni, Steve	2011	Jones, Mack	2013	Ripken, Jr., Cal	2011
Barrett, Charles "Red"	2009	Keller, Charlie	1947	Ripple, Jimmy	1956
Baylor, Don	2010	Kelly, Bill	1954	Robinson, Jackie	1960
Bentley, Jack	1958	Kisinger, Charles "Rube"	2009	Rosenfield, Dave	2008
Berly, Jack	1955	Knight, Joe	2009	Rudolph, Dick	1948
Betzel, Christian "Bruno"	1957	Labruzzo, Don	2015	Ryba, Mike	2010
Boggs, Wade	2011	Lanigan, Ernest	1947	Sankey, Ben	1947
Boley, Joe	1954	Lasorda, Tommy	2008	Sauer, Hank	2008
Bombard, Marc	2015	Maisel, Frederick "Fritz"	1959	Schoendienst, Red	2009
Boone, Ike	1957	Mamaux, Al	1951	Seeds, Bob	2010
Brant, Marshall	2015	Manley, William	1953	Selkirk, George	1958
Brown, Joe	1962	Manto, Jeff	2014	Shaughnessy, Frank	1947
Buford, Don	2008	McCarthy, Joe	1956	Short, Bill	2009
Carnegie, Ollie	1947	McGowan, Frank	1947	Silver, Morrie	2008
Carswell, Frank	2010	Mele, Albert "Dutch"	2009	Simone, Anthony "Tex"	2008
Cazen, Walter	2009	Merkle, Fred	1953	Sisler, Jr., George	2007
Collins, James "Rip"	1951	Merrill, Carl "Stump"	2009	Smythe, William "Harry"	1959
Cook, Gene	2008	Meulens, Hensley	2016	Southworth, Billy	1947
Cooper, Harold	2007	Meyer, Bill	1949	Stallings, George	1959
Crabtree, Estel	1953	Miley, Dave	2014	Stevens, Ed	2009
Demeter, Steve	2009	Mondor, Ben	2008	Tamburro, Mike	2012
Derry, Russ	2008	Montoyo, Charlie	2016	Thomas, Alphonse "Tommy"	1948
Dunn, Jack	1950	Morgan, Joe	2008	Tiefenauer, Bobby	2008
Earnshaw, George	1956	Moss, Howie	1960	Toporcer, George	1949
Easter, Luke	2008	Murray, Bill	1952	Triplett, Coaker	2010
Eiland, Dave	2012	Nelson, Glenn "Rocky"	1960	Tucker, Ollie	2008
Ens, Jewel	1950	Ogden, Jack	1952	Verdi, Frank	2008
Evers, Bill	2012	O'Neill, Steve	1947	Walker, Fred "Dixie"	1947
Garr, Ralph	2008	Onslow, Ed	1951	Walker, Harry "The Hat"	2009
Gilhooley, Sr., Frank	2008	Parnham, James "Rube"	1957	Walsh, Jimmy	1958
Grich, Bobby	2010	Parrish, Larry	2013	Weber, Jim	2014
Grove, Robert "Lefty"	2008	Pennock, Herb	1948	Whitman, Hobart "Rabbit"	2008
Hamlin, Luke	1955	Petagine, Roberto	2009	Wilson, Archie	2008
Hauser, Joe	2008	Porter, Dick	1963	Wiltse, George	1952
Herrera, Frank "Pancho"	2008				



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Boone, Ike
Brant, Marshall
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Carnegie, Ollie
Grich, Bobby
Herrera, Frank "Pancho"
Hutchinson, Fred
Manto, Jeff
McGowan, Frank
Meulens, Hensley
Morgan, Joe
Moss, Howie
Nelson, Glenn "Rocky"
Petagine, Roberto
Puccinelli, George
Rice, Jim
Ryba, Mike
Sauer, Hank
Schoendienst, Red
Wilson, Archie
TOTAL = 22

IL MOST VALUABLE PITCHERS

Eiland, Dave
Lasorda, Tommy
Short, Bill
TOTAL = 3

IL MANAGERS OF THE YEAR

Altobelli, Joe
Bombard, Marc
Miley, Dave
Montoyo, Charlie
Morgan, Joe
Parrish, Larry
Verdi, Frank
TOTAL = 7

BATTING TRIPLE CROWN WINNERS

Alexander, Dale
Bentley, Jack
Herrera, Frank "Pancho"
Nelson, Glenn "Rocky"
Puccinelli, George
Rice, Jim
TOTAL = 6
**TOTAL IN IL HISTORY = 6*

ALSO INDUCTED IN COOPERSTOWN

Alston, Walter
Boggs, Wade
Grove, Lefty
Lasorda, Tommy
McCarthy, Joe
Pennock, Herb
Rice, Jim
Ripken, Jr., Cal
Robinson, Jackie
Schoendienst, Red
Southworth, Billy
TOTAL = 11

IL BATTING CHAMPIONS

Alexander, Dale
Bentley, Jack
Boggs, Wade
Boone, Ike
Buford, Don
Carswell, Frank
Collins, James "Rip"
Garr, Ralph
Grich, Bobby
Herrera, Frank "Pancho"
Jacobsen, Merwin
Keller, Charlie
Knight, Joe
Nelson, Glenn "Rocky"
Porter, Dick
Puccinelli, George
Richmond, Don
Rice, Jim
Robinson, Jackie
Schoendienst, Red
Triplet, Coaker
Walsh, Jimmy
TOTAL = 22

IL HOME RUN CHAMPIONS

Alexander, Dale
Altobelli, Joe
Arlett, Buzz
Balboni, Steve
Bentley, Jack
Brant, Marshall
Carnegie, Ollie
Carswell, Frank
Collins, James "Rip"
Derry, Russ
Easter, Luke
Grich, Bobby
Hauser, Joe
Herrera, Frank "Pancho"
Jones, Mack
Kelly, Bill
Manto, Jeff
Meulens, Hensley
Moss, Howie
Nelson, Glenn "Rocky"
Puccinelli, George
Rice, Jim
TOTAL = 22

IL ERA CHAMPIONS

Barrett, Charles "Red"
Bentley, Jack
Berly, Jack
Hamlin, Luke
Mamaux, Al
Tiefenauer, Bobby
TOTAL = 6