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## **MIDDLESEX COUNTY OVER 50 LEAGUE**

The Middlesex County Over 50 League has been in existence since 1990, consisting of 8 original teams. The league owes its beginning to Jerry Klein who got a few people interested in starting a senior league in the East Brunswick, Middlesex County area. We held meetings at his house and started what was supposed to be just a fun and not too competitive Saturday morning outing. Over the years there has been a very significant metamorphosis. After several years Jerry Klein resigned and handed over the league to Fred Lamparter who along with Rich Nadler continued to handle the league affairs for many years. Fred retired to South Carolina and Jerry Chapin took over for one year, after which, Rich Nadler and Fred assumed the responsibilities again until Bob Noble took over and kept things going for 2 seasons, Harvey Yonowitz was the next president and serves presently in that capacity.

The Middlesex Over 50 League now consists of 12 teams, playing doubleheaders on Saturday mornings. Over the years the teams have gotten very competitive and we usually are well represented in the state tournaments. Many of the older players are continuing to be active and have graduated to the over 60 league.

My team now known as the Metuchen Savings team was originally Bankers Savings and we have had several sponsors and name changes since the 1990 inception. Mike Pluckter and myself are the only ones from the original team. We won the state championship twice in 1998 and 2005, a long way from the 1990 team that won only 1 or 2 games.

Over the years we have lost teammates to the "League in the Sky". Jerry Bitkower, Bob Uveges, Jim Powell, Tom Burke and John Vereb, they all are surely missed.

> Jerry Yaros Player-Manager Metuchen Savings



Front Row (I-r): Allan (Ace) Homan, Jim Muglia, George Lord, Lew Ogonowski, Bill Potkulski, Jerry Yaros Back Row (I-r): Fred Soto, Jack Muratore, Paul Henry, Allan Schulman, Skip Shihar, Mark Fuerstein, Mickey Duval, Gary Pavlosky Missing: Mike Pluckter, Stan Director, Bunny Longo, Steve Canning, Bob Bykofsky NJSSA To Start

Wall

Of Fame"

The New Jersey Senior Softball Association will begin to accept nominations to its newly created "Wall Of Fame." The association will begin to honor those members who have shown "outstanding leadership and dedication to the senior softball program throughout the years." Nominations and resumes should be sent to:

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