

CPP SPORTS HALL OF FAME

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There is currently a display located at the Heritage Village of the Southern Finger Lakes which is located just behind the Benjamin Patterson Inn on Pulteney Street in Corning which highlights the history of the Corning Red Sox minor league baseball franchise.

The memorabilia and all the items on display were provided by Don Allison, a former Corning resident who now lives in Horseheads. Don has been collecting his memorabilia for the past 60 years as this display marks the 70th anniversary of the Corning Red Sox team that won the championship of the PONY (which stands for Pennsylvania, Ontario and New York) in 1954.

Many friends of the Hall of Fame may recognize some of the items on display from when Don provided some of his memorabilia to the Hall of Fame in 2019 that was on loan to the Hall with a special section of the C-PP Hall of Fame display that is located at the former Baron Steuben Building located near Centerway Square.

Back then the display was open to the public and many people enjoyed the temporary display that Don provided the Hall of Fame at that time. As a side note – the Hall of Fame is still working on getting the doors unlocked on the Market Street side of the building so people may once again enjoy looking at all the memorabilia that is on display.

On a sad note, the Corning-Painted Post Sports Hall of Fame lost one of dearest friends earlier this month when Grace Rosettie passed away. We honored Grace with the Frank Watts Memorial Award, an award given in memory of Frank Watts, a Charter Director and Recording Secretary for 30 years. It's presented to a person in recognition of long time support of sports in the Corning-Painted Post area.

Grace was a wonderful person, one of the pillars of the Corning-Painted Post area was a huge supporter of the sporting scene, especially of youth sports of all kinds in the area. She was one of a kind and we were very lucky to have someone like her as a resident of our community. Grace Rosettie will be missed very much by anyone who knew her.