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2017 Old Timers Banquet Sponsor: Franklin American Mortgage

Seventh Consecutive Year to Support Old Timers Organization

NASHVILLE, TN – November 30, 2016 – Chief Financial Officer Tommy Parker announced today that Franklin American Mortgage Company will once again be the 2017 Old Timers banquet sponsor. It is the seventh consecutive year that Franklin American has supported the organization's event as sponsor.



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The banquet will be held Thursday, January 19, 2017, at the Nashville Airport Marriott, 600 Marriott Dr., Nashville, TN 37214. The doors open at 5:30 PM and the banquet is set to begin at 6:30 PM. The event will include a silent and live auction.

Former major league pitcher and Hall of Fame member Ferguson Jenkins will be the featured speaker. Previous banquet speakers include Hall of Famers Harmon Killebrew and Rollie Fingers. Rick Dempsey, Doc Gooden, Lance Parrish, Bill Buckner, Bobby Richardson, and Dale Murphy have previously spoken at the event.

Each year scholarships are given to deserving high school senior baseball players; over \$350,000 has been presented in the past 17 years. At the 2016 banquet, 18 scholarships were awarded.

The deadline for new applications is December 15; the form may be found at www.otbaseball.com.

The organization's "Mr. Baseball" and Nashville Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame selections will be announced at the banquet, and local amateur World Series teams and MVPs will be recognized.

Banquet tickets are now on sale for \$75 each and may be purchased from any Old Timers board member. For more information call Old Timers president Russ Pyles (238-5308), Farrell Owens (587-1384) or Rip Ryman (319-8459) or email info@otbaseball.com.

Formed in 1938 by a group of local baseball enthusiasts, the Old Timers organization is one of the oldest such organizations in the United States, celebrating its 79th year of existence in 2017.

The Old Timers Baseball Association of Nashville is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization and all contributions are tax-deductible