

CONGRATULATIONS, ORLANDO AND HERBIE!

Orlando Cepeda Joins the Baseball Hall of Fame

On March 2, SGI-USA member Orlando Cepeda, the Baby Bull, was selected as Major League Baseball's newest Hall of Fame player by a vote of the Veterans Committee. In 1993, his last year of eligibility for the Hall of Fame by vote of the Baseball Writers Association of America, Cepeda missed making the Hall by only seven votes — the fifth narrowest margin ever. This year was his second year of eligibility for consideration by the Veterans Committee. At a press conference at the stadium club at Candlestick Park, Cepeda said: "I've been through good things and bad things, but I'm very fortunate to have been able to have played baseball and be in San Francisco, the city I love. I'm proud to be Puerto Rican. Everyone there is excited for me." He then added: "Fifteen years ago, I embraced Buddhist philosophy. My practice helped me 100 percent to really get to know Orlando Cepeda. Our biggest victory is to win over ourselves. Today proves the validity of Buddhism and friendship."

— DAVID EISENBERG

Two More Grammys for Herbie

SGI-USA member Herbie Hancock took home two new Grammys on Feb. 24, bringing his total to six. He was awarded Best Jazz Instrumental Performance for his CD *Gershwin's World* and Best Instrumental Arrangement for "St. Louis Blues." Hancock, who this year celebrates 40 years in the music business, has also won an Academy Award, Best Original Score in 1987 for *Round Midnight*.

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