

# **New Bedford Whaling City Youth Baseball League inducts Phil Adams into Hall of Fame**

"Yesterday was a spectacular day for baseball, and we at Whaling City could not have asked for better weather for the induction of Mr. Phil Adams into our Hall of Fame.

He served the youth of our league for 29 years concluding with his retirement as Manager of Daves in the year 2003. He was honored by the league prior to the first games on Opening Day. His family was on hand to accept his Hall of Fame plaque. He was a wonderful man who was respected by all he knew, and by those of us who have been in the league for many years and knew "Mr. Adams" we can tell you he was loved.

The very team that he coached for those 29 seasons was also inducted on Sunday as well. Daves began as Dave's Dairy Bar and began sponsoring a team in 1971. The original sponsor Mr. Dave Sylvia also served our league as Treasurer from 1974 to 1976 and was also a longtime coach." -Whaling City Youth Baseball League.

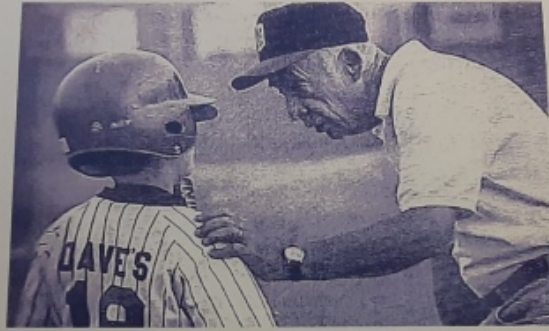


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*On this day, May 2, 2021, the honor of being inducted into the  
WHALING CITY YOUTH BASEBALL LEAGUE'S HALL OF FAME  
is bestowed upon  
MR. PHIL ADAMS.*

*Phil Adams started his career at Whaling City in 1975 as the Manager of Dave's Dairy Bar. He retired in 2003 after 29 seasons. He was the Manager of Dave's for 24 of those 29 years.*

*His teams won an impressive Seven League Championships along with Seven Runner-Up trophies and winning 67 playoff games during that time. His first team had a record of 11 and 11 and afterwards Dave's would have winning records for the next 28 years, including 18 seasons of 20 or more victories and three undefeated seasons. Phil was mild mannered, and his love of baseball and his players was clear. He would always take a few minutes to talk to you about a big Game on Diamond #1 or his beloved Boston Red Sox. Phil was well respected not only by the more than 130 players he coached, but the entire league who he was known as simply Mr. Adams. He coached the Junior All Stars for two seasons and would always be active with league activities. Mr. Adams was on the organizing Committee which in 1978 established our current instructional league.*

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**LONGTIME TEAM SPONSOR "DAVE'S".**

*Dave's is sponsored in honor of the beloved Dave Sylvia. Dave was the  
League Treasurer from 1974 through 1976. Dave was committed to the league  
and always put the "kids" and sportsmanship ahead of everything else.  
Dave's has been a sponsor of a team in the Whaling City Youth Baseball League  
since 1971. In those years over 200 Players have benefited from their  
generosity. Heading into their 51<sup>st</sup> year, we are honored to enshrine longtime  
league Sponsor "Dave's" into the Whaling City Youth Baseball Hall of Fame.*

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