

## **JEROME WALTON**

A Newnan, Georgia native. Jerome attended Enterprise (AL) State Junior College from 1985 - 1986. He was drafted in the 2nd round of the January winter draft in 1986 by the Chicago Cubs. Jerome broke in to major leagues with the Cubs in 1989. He was National League Rookie of the Year that year, as he had a record setting 30 game hitting streak for a rookie. Jerome played for the Angels, Orioles, Braves and Reds during his nine year big league career. He was on the 1997 pennant winning Atlanta Braves team. He currently resides in the Atlanta area and owns his own hardwood floor and tile company.

## **LOU THORNTON**

Lou is a Hope Hull native, who graduated from Jeff Davis High School in Montgomery in 1981. He signed a baseball scholarship to attend the University of Alabama, however he decided to play professional baseball after being drafted by the New York Mets in the 16th round. Lou played in the major leagues for the Toronto Blue Jays from 1985-88, then for the New York Mets from 1989-90. After retiring from baseball Lou came back to Montgomery, attended AUM, where he received his undergraduate degree in education in 1994, then his masters in health and physical education in 1995. He has taught health & physical education at AUM since 1995 until the present time, in his role as Wellness Director at AUM.

## **AL WORTHINGTON**

A Birmingham native. Al pitched for in the major leagues from 1953 - 1969. During his fourteen year career he was used mostly as a reliever. He had a 3.39 ERA in over 1,200 innings of work. He played for the New York Giants, San Francisco Giants, Boston Red Sox, Chicago White Sox, Cincinnati Reds and Minnesota Twins. Al's career record was 75 - 82, while accumulating 110 saves.



Check out our web-site, [www.alabca.org](http://www.alabca.org) (click on "First Pitch" Dinner), for Major Leaguer additions to our Line-Up throughout January!

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# **ALABAMA BASEBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION "First Pitch" Dinner**

**January 30, 2006**

**RSA Activity Center**

**Montgomery, Alabama**



**The Alabama Baseball Coaches Association** (ALABCA) will hold its inaugural “First Pitch” dinner on January 30, 2006 at the RSA Activities Center in downtown Montgomery. The purpose of the dinner is to raise money to support the ALABCA programs throughout the year. Programs such as their scholarship program, their youth league players and coaches clinics held throughout the state, and many other programs they host throughout the year that benefit and educate amateur baseball coaches and players.

A calendar of events of the ALABCA can be found on-line at: [www.alabca.org](http://www.alabca.org) The ALABCA is recognized by the IRS as a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization.



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Special Guest Emcee – *Derek Steyer*, WSFA Channel 12 TV, Assistant Sports Editor

**EVENING ITINERARY:**

- 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. VIP Reception with Major Leaguers (For Home Run Sponsor level only). Major Leaguers committed as of 12/22: Jerome Walton; Lou Thornton; Al Worthington Check out our web-site, [www.alabca.org](http://www.alabca.org) (click on “First Pitch” Dinner), for Major Leaguer additions to our Line-Up throught January!
- 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Silent Auction of Baseball Memorabilia and Autograph Session with Major Leaguers. Cash Bar.
- 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. Dinner and Keynote Speakers.

**COST OF THE DINNER:**  
 \$85 (Base Hit level)  
 Individual  
 \$680 (Home Run level)  
 Table of 8  
 (Includes recognition in banquet program and priority seating, also two tickets to the VIP reception.)  
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Reservation deadline (money must be received by): January 25, 2006  
 Please make checks payable to & send to:  
 Ala. Baseball Coaches Assn., P.O. Box 3378, Montgomery, Alabama 36109  
 Call Barry Dean with questions: (334) 272-9292, in Montgomery  
 Or E-mail: [barrydean@alabca.org](mailto:barrydean@alabca.org)

- \_\_\_\_\_ “Single” Sponsor - \$85, Individual dinner ticket, arrive at 6:30 for silent auction and autograph session.
- \_\_\_\_\_ “Home Run” Sponsor - \$680, Reserved table for eight in priority seating, Recognition in dinner program, Two VIP reception tickets. VIP ticket holders arrive at 5:30 p.m.
- \_\_\_\_\_ High School and College Coaches and Professional Scouts who are ALABCA members \$50
- \_\_\_\_\_ I can not attend the dinner, however would like to sponsor a dinner ticket for the boys club youngster to be able to attend the dinner.