

JACK ATCHLEY November, 1927 – November, 2015

Jack was the driving force in getting the Louisiana National Charter in 1982. With three courts in his backyard, he established the Harahan Horseshoe Pitchers Association, which expanded to Soniat Park in Harahan and as time progressed, he recruited new players and venues, with the establishment of Clubs and Courts in Waggaman, Welsh, and Patterson. He also coordinated with Don Holland in getting Shreveport onboard on the State level. He was the only State Secretary/Treasurer until his retirement from that position in 2011, when the above photo was taken. Jack was a charter member of the State's Hall of Fame, being inducted in 1997. There's much more that can be said about Jack and his contributions to horseshoe pitching throughout the State, but suffice it to say that he was a true leader and mentor to us all and he will be sorely missed, but not forgotten.