

Baseball legend Lou Gehrig honored with induction into Columbia University Sports Hall of Fame.



February 18, 2006. Lou Gehrig was one of 30 outstanding athletes honored in the inaugural class of Columbia University's newly founded Sports Hall of Fame.

A well-known star on the baseball diamond and the gridiron, "Columbia Lou" graduated from the Lions to the Yankees in 1923 where he set a number of major league records, several of which still stand today.

In 1939 Mr. Gehrig was diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) – later to be known as Lou Gehrig's disease. It is this urgent need that is the focus of the Motor Neuron Center. We are committed to bringing together and engaging the most brilliant scientific minds in a translational approach to the study of currently incurable motor neuron diseases such as spinal muscular atrophy (SMA) in children and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS/Lou Gehrig's disease) in adults. The discoveries we make in the field of motor neuron biology will fuel the search in effective therapy for today's patients.

To learn more about Lou Gehrig and his induction into the hall of fame, click here.

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