# The New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame Newsletter

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NEXT MEETING DATE - PRESIDENT - HENRY HASCUP 59 KIPP AVE, LODI, N.J. 07644 (1-973-471-2458)

# Thursday, February 27th

- \* The next meeting for the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame will be on **Thursday**, **February 27th**, at the Faith Reformed Church located at **95 Washington St.** in Lodi, N.J. which is right at the corner of Washington and Prospect St., **starting at 8:00 P.M.**
- \* At this meeting we will be taking names for possible induction into the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame. If you know of someone, please make sure he or she is up to the standards of our Organization, which is included with this Newsletter. You can even nominate yourself. If you have any information on the person, please give it to me by the this meeting. The 2014 Hall of Famers will be announced at the March meeting.
- \* Our next Induction ceremonies will be on **Thursday**, **November 13**<sup>th</sup> at the Venetian in Garfield.

#### **Ring Notes:**

- \*Ring # 25 has their monthly meetings at the Senior Citizen Hall in Kearney. Contact President, Cosmo Liaci at 201-240-0889
- \*Ring # 8, of New York will have their next meeting on Tuesday, January 22nd at the Waterfront Crab House 2-03 Borden Ave. Long Island City (718) 729-4862, starting at 7:00pm. Contact President Bob Duffy 1-516-313-2304 for more information.

\* The 3rd Annual New York Boxing Hall of Fame will take place on Sunday, March 30th at Russo's on the Bay.

Two-time World Heavyweight Champion **Floyd Patterson** (55-8-1, 40 KOs), of Brooklyn, will be inducted posthumously along with his adopted son, **Tracy Harris** (63-8-2, 43 KOs), the former WBC/IBF Super Featherweight Champion from New Paltz.

Other living boxers heading into the NYSBHOF are former WBC/WBA Welterweight Champion Billy Backus (49-20-5, 23 KOs), of Canastota; former WBC Featherweight Champion Kevin Kelley, of Flushing, Oueens: former WBC Featherweight Champion Juan LaPorte (40-17, 22 KOs), of Brooklyn; Huntington's World Heavyweight title challenger Gerry Cooney (28-3, 24 KOs), Brooklyn's two-time World Middleweight title challenger Mustafa Hamsho (44-5-2, 28 KOs) and Glen Cove's Howard Davis, Jr. (36-6-1, 14 KOs), a 1976 Olympic gold medalist as well as Outstanding Boxer, and a three-time World Lightweight title challenger.

Other posthumous participants being inducted along with **Floyd Patterson** are World Lightweight Champion **Lou Ambers** (91-8-7, 28 KOs), of Herkimer; three-time World Welterweight Champion **Jack Britton** (239-57-44), of Clinton; and World Featherweight Champion **Terry McGovern** (55-8-1, 40 KOs), of Brooklyn.

Living non-boxer inductees are ESPN boxing commentator and trainer **Teddy Atlas**, of Staten Island; promoter **Lou DiBella** (DiBella Entertainment), of
Brooklyn; boxing historian and Showtime analyst **Steve Farhood**, of Brooklyn; trainer and Sunnyside Gardens matchmaker **Gene Moore**, of Queens; and boxing

writer/historian **Angelo Prospero**, of Rochester.

Deceased non-boxers in the Class of 2014 are trainer/cutman Whitey Bimstein, of Manhattan's Lower East Side; legendary trainer Cus D'Amato (Bronx and Catskill), who launched the career of "Iron" Mike Tyson as well as Floyd Patterson and Jose Torres; trainer William Muldoon (Belfast/Caneadea and Westchester County), who was also the first Chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission; and manager Tom O'Rourke, of New York City.

Tickets are priced at \$150. For more information contact President Bob Duffy, 164 Lindbergh St., Massapequa Park, NY 11762 – 516-313-2304 or Tony Mazzarella c/o Waterfront Crabhouse 2-03 Borden Ave., LIC, NY 11101 – 718-729-4862.

- \* Ring #10, of New York will have their next meeting on Tuesday, March 11th at the Rino's Italian Restaurant, located at 3938 East Tremont Avenue, Bronx, NY 10465-2902 (718) 863-5324.
- \* On a very sad note we lost former North American Light Heavyweight Champion, **Jimmy Dupree**. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his loved ones.

#### FINALLY: MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE

**DUE!** If you are just joining our organization you pay a total of \$20.00 for the 1<sup>st</sup> yr (\$10 to join & \$10 for the year). If you are already a member you pay only \$10.00.

http://www.njboxinghof.org/ Keep Punching, President, Henry Hascup

ARTICLE XIX

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### HALL OF FAME INDUCTION REQUIREMENTS SECTION 19.01

Whereas the Hall of Fame has been organized for the recognition, honor, and induction of persons for their contributions to boxing, the inductee must meet the following criteria:

(1) A boxer must satisfy two of the four following prerequisites:

- (a) Won three (3) or more senior amateur titles in the state of New Jersey;
- (b) Engaged in a sufficient number of professional bouts, winning most of them;
- (c) Competed in at least five (5) main event contests in the professional ranks; and
- (d) Won two (2) or more senior national amateur titles.
- (2) A boxing referee (professional), manager, trainer, timekeeper (professional), promoter, matchmaker, publicist or judge (professional) must have worked for fifteen (15) years;
- (3) An amateur referee or amateur judge must have worked for twenty (20) years;
- (4) A boxing commissioner;
- (5) A boxing reporter must have worked for twenty (20) years;
- (6) A boxing announcer must have worked for twenty (20) years; or
- (7) A medical authority or historian must have worked for fifteen (15) years.

#### **SECTION 19.02**

Additional criteria for eligible candidates for induction applicable to those who live in a surrounding state:

1. Boxers who live in a surrounding state must have fought

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professionally at least ten (10) times in New Jersey.

- 2. Officials who live in a surrounding state must have worked at least twenty-five (25) times in New Jersey.
- 3. Doctors who live in a surrounding state must have worked at least twenty-five (25) times in New Jersey.
- 4. Trainers who live in a surrounding state must have trained several boxers from New Jersey.
- 5. Managers who live in a surrounding state must have managed several boxers from New Jersey.
- 6. Boxing writers who live in a surrounding state must have covered New Jersey boxing for many years. The criteria in this Section 19.02 do not apply if the person was born in New Jersey, lived in New Jersey during the time that the individual was boxing, or lives in New Jersey at the time of the vote for induction.

#### **SECTION 19.03**

Active boxers shall not be eligible for induction.

#### **SECTION 19.04**

Former boxers shall be at least 45 years old, with the exception of those gravely ill (any age), exchampions (any age), and ex-title contenders (must be at least 40). Exceptions must be approved by the President and the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XX
HONOREE SECTION
COMMITTEE
SECTION 20.01

The President shall appoint the honorees' Selection Committee.

#### **SECTION 20.02**

Alternates may be available at selectors' meeting.

ARTICLE XXI HONOREES SECTION 21.01

Only those qualifying under Article XIX may be considered to be honorees.

#### **SECTION 21.02**

All nominees shall poll in their respective categories at least fifty (50%) percent of the votes of the Members.

#### **SECTION 21.03**

There shall be no more than fourteen (14) candidates (plus one or two at large (at the discretion of the President)) for induction at any single meeting for voting.

#### SECTION 21.04

Candidates must be of an impeccable character and reputation.

#### **SECTION 21.05**

The Hall of Fame may honor those from neighboring states, as well as those from New Jersey, for their contributions to boxing. This Section is subject to the specific requirements in Article XIX.