

# The New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame Newsletter

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

## Thursday, February 22nd

\* The next meeting for the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame will be on **Thursday, February 22nd**, 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.**

**NOTE: We will be meeting on the main floor of the church. Just walk up the 5 steps turn left & go down the hall.**

\* Our next Induction ceremonies will be on Thursday, November 8th at the Venetian in Garfield.

\* **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. Also, if you have any information on the person, please send it to me by the February meeting. **The 2018 Hall of Famers will be announced at the March meeting.**

On Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018, the **New Jersey Amateur Boxing Hall of Fame** will host the third annual Amateur Dinner and Induction Ceremonies at the beautiful Amici Ristorante, located at [1700 West Elizabeth Avenue, Linden, New Jersey](#) starting at 4pm. Tickets are priced at \$65.00 per person. Seven of Boxing's finest Olympic amateur boxers will be inducted in the New Jersey Amateur Boxing Hall of Fame, and they are as follows: *Akima Stocks Alan Lawrence John Bauza, Chris Green, Jeremy Bryan, Leroy DeVila, Mike Hilton and POSTHUMOUSLY Wallace Cross*

New Jersey Amateur Boxing Hall of Fame will also be presenting the following

special recognition awards: The Barry Goss Memorial Award, Amateur Boxing High Achievers awards, Joe Grier Distinguished Fellow Award, Amateur Boxing Supporter of the year, Father of the year award and the Husband & Wife team of Amateur Boxing. For more information contact Jackie Atkins [732.768.4086](tel:732.768.4086) [coach\\_jackie@verizon.net](mailto:coach_jackie@verizon.net)



On some very sad notes we lost several NJ Boxing Hall of Fame members and Inductees. **Steve Acunto (top), Stefan Redl (bottom) and Ronnie "Lanza" Jones** all passed away in the last week or so. Our Prayers go out to all their Loved ones!



\* **The New York State Boxing Hall of Fame** (NYSBHOF), sponsored by Ring 8, has announced its 23-member Class of 2018. The seventh annual NYSBHOF induction dinner will be held Sunday afternoon (12:30-5:30 p.m. ET), April 29, at Russo's On The Bay in Howard Beach, NY.

Living boxers heading into the NYSBHOF include (Spring Valley) IBF Cruiserweight World Champion **AI "Ice" Cole** (35-16-3, 16 KOs), (Long Island) WBA light heavyweight **Lou "Honey Boy" Del Valle** (36-6-2, 22 KOs), (Central Islip) IBF Junior Welterweight World Champion **Jake Rodriguez** (28-8-2, 8 KOs), (Brooklyn) world lightweight title challenger **Terrence Alli** (52-15-2, 21 KOs), and (Buffalo) undefeated world-class heavyweight **"Baby" Joe Mesi** (36-0, 29 KOs).

Posthumous participants being inducted are NBA & NYSAC World Featherweight Champion (Manhattan) **Kid "Cuban Bon Bon" Chocolate** (136-10-6, 51 KOs), (New York City) 20th century heavyweight **James J. "Gentleman Jim" Corbett** (11-4-3, 5 KOs), (Williamsburg) World Lightweight Champion **Jack "The Napoleon of The Prize Ring" McAuliffe**, (Kingston) WBC Super Lightweight Champion **Billy Costello** (40-2, 23 KOs), (Beacon) NYSAC Light Heavyweight World Champion **Melio Bettina** (83-14-3, 36 KOs), (Brooklyn/Yonkers) world-class middleweight **Ralph "Tiger" Jones** (52-32-5, 13 KOs) and (Port Washington) heavyweight contender **Charley "The Bayonne Bomber" Norkus** (33-19, 19 KOs).

Living non-participants heading into the NYSBHOF are (Troy) Pulitzer Prize-winning sportswriter **Dave Anderson**, (Brooklyn) trainer/advisor **Pete Brodsky**, (Rockaway) boxing historian/editor **Herb Goldman**, (Bronx) matchmaker **Bobby Goodman**, (Ardsley) NYSAC chairperson/judge **Melvina Lathan**, and (Brooklyn) NYSAC Chairperson, matchmaker/promoter **Ron Scott Stevens**.

Posthumous non-participant inductees are (Brooklyn) ring announcer **Johnnie Addie**, (Brooklyn) matchmaker **Johnny Bos**, (Bronx) boxing publicist **Murray Goodman**, (New York City) boxing

writer/historian **Bert Randolph Sugar** and (Lower East Side) radio & television announcer/journalist **Sam Taub**.

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**\* The Atlantic City Boxing Hall of Fame** will take place June 1-3, 2018 at the famed Claridge Hotel at Park Place Boardwalk in Atlantic City. Among those being honored:

**Fighter category:**

**Evander Holyfield, Bruce Seldon, Bobby Czyz, Jeff Chandler, Ray Mercer, Vinny Paz, Richie Kates and (posthumous) Héctor Camacho.**

**Trainer and Cutmen:**

**Carmen Graziano, George Benton and Ralph Citro**

**Non-Participants:**

**Bob Arum, Dan Duva, Diane Fischer-Cristiano, Ed Derian, Jean Williams, Joseph Pasquale, Jersey Joe Walcott, Bernard Fernandez, Dave Weinberg, Ray Bailey, Jose Sulaiman, Marian Muhammad, Mark Etes and President Donald J. Trump.**

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**Ring Notes:**

**\*Ring # 25** Contact **President, Kathy Gatti**, at **201-320-0874**.

**\*Ring # 8, of New York** will have their next meeting on Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at the at O'Neill's Restaurant, located at 64-21 53rd Drive, Maspeth, NY 11378, starting at 7:00pm. - Contact President Jack Hirsch at [ajhirsch5@aol.com](mailto:ajhirsch5@aol.com) - **516-790-7592**

**\* The New Jersey Golden Gloves** will kick off on February 24<sup>th</sup> with the **FINALS on April 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>** at the prestigious **Union County Performing Arts Center** located in Downtown Rahway New Jersey.

## The N.J. Boxing Hall of Fame

**FINALLY: MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE!** If you are just joining our organization you pay a total of \$20 for the 1<sup>st</sup> yr (\$10 to join & \$10 for the year). If you are already a member you pay only \$10.

### NJ HALL OF FAME INDUCTION REQUIREMENTS - ARTICLE XIX 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 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), ex-champions (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.

**Keep Punching,  
President, Henry Hascup**