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New York State Athletic Commission
Melvina Lathan, Chairwoman

The Unanimous Decision

Message from NYSAC Chairwoman Melvina Lathan

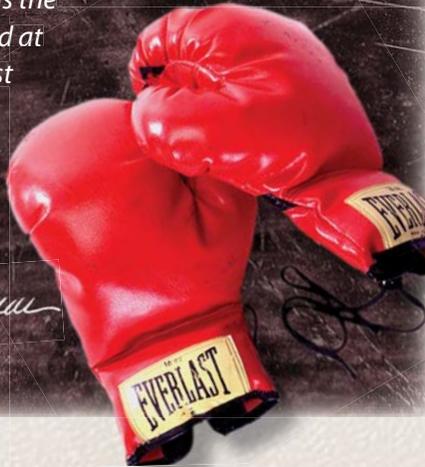
2011 arrived with a bang and while we were snowed under much of the time, we didn't slow down one bit. In fact, in the midst of a two-day blizzard that virually shut down Albany, we still held a same day weigh-in during February. The show at the Empire State Plaza Convention Center went off without a hitch in front of a happy crowd of amateur and professional boxing fans.

In 2010, NYSAC regulated 35 events from Niagara to SoHo. The Pro/Am shows are quickly becoming a crowd favorite and Boxing at Turning Stone Casino has been awesome.

Also spectacular was the Off-the-Chart event held at Yankee Stadium, the first since Muhammad Ali fought Ken Norton in 1976.

Stay tuned...

Melvina Lathan



NYSAC Annual Report

At the NYSAC open meeting on February 22, 2011, Commission Chairwoman Melvina Lathan presented the 2010 Annual Report on the activities, proceedings and endeavors of the Commission during the calendar year.

The report covered the success of the regulating, licensing and enforcement efforts of the Commission, and highlighted the fact that in 2010 there were no hospitalizations, critical injuries or ring fatalities at professional boxing events within the state of New York.

NYSAC Policies

- Boxer medicals must be received by the Commission three business days before an event.
- No medicals for boxers will be performed on the day of the weigh-in for the fight card they are on.
- Physicals will not be performed for boxers on the same day of an event they are participating in.

Please check our website for recent updates at www.dos.state.ny.us/athletic

Electronic Fingerprinting

All fingerprinting is now done electronically.

Applicants should schedule an appointment with L-1 Enrollment Services to get their fingerprints captured electronically. To schedule an appointment visit their website at www.L1enrollment.com or call 1-877-472-6915.



The cost is \$86.25 for boxers and \$105.50 for promoters. You must utilize the appropriate listed NYS Athletic Commission required ORI number.



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2010 RING 8 Annual Awards

The RING 8 Annual Awards Dinner took place on December 11, 2010 at the beautiful Russo's on the Bay in Howard Beach, New York. The boxing community has gathered annually for 24 years in celebration of our great sport of boxing and also to ensure that the much-needed funding is raised in order to maintain the mission of caring for the needy in our boxing family.

RING 8 was formed in 1954 by ex-boxer, Jack Grebelsky, who believed in the old adage, "charity begins at home." The organization became the eighth subsidiary of what was then known as the National Veteran Boxers Association ... hence, RING "8."

Ring 8's motto is 'Boxers Helping Boxers' because they are genuinely dedicated to lending a helping hand to those in the boxing community who are less fortunate. This includes those who may require assistance in paying their rent, medical expenses, or other justifiable needs. They meet at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month at the Waterfront Crabhouse in Long Island City, Queens. Interested? Call (718) 729-4862.

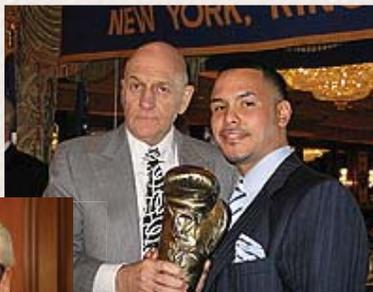
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- **Father/Son Award:**
"Smokin'" Joe Frazier and Marvis Frazier
 - **Uncrowned Champion Award:**
"Sonny" Lou Volpe and Lenny Mangiapane
 - **Trainer of the Year:** Tommy Gallagher
 - **Lifetime Achievement Award:** Lou Raino
 - **Integrity in Boxing Award:** Joe Dwyer
 - **Ringside Physician Award:** Dr. Ralph Bohm
 - **Amateur Official Award:** John Holden
 - **Outstanding Service Award:** Paulette Balog
 - **Dedicated Service Award:** David Yatkowitz
 - **Prospect of the Year Award:** Gabriel Bracero



Melvina Latham (L), Chairlady, New York State Athletic Commission, Department of State; (C) Tony Mazzarella, newly appointed Deputy Commissioner



Dr. Ralph Bohm, Honoree "Ringside Physician of the Year" Award



Trainer Tommy Gallagher presents award to Gabe Bracero as 'Prospect of the Year'



Bob Duffy (L), Ring 8 Board of Directors, and Joe Dwyer (R), Honoree



Honorees Joe Frazier (R) and Marvis Frazier (L) recognized for Father/Son Award



Paulette Balog, Honoree



Lenny Mangiapane (L) and Sonny Lou Volpe (R), Honorees "Uncrowned Champions"

Seminars Held in 2010

In September of last year, the Commission conducted two training seminars, each of which provided an analysis of inspector responsibilities, and the rules relating to boxing and wrestling. They also addressed frequently asked questions about the regulation of professional boxing and wrestling events. These additional recruiting and training efforts have helped ensure that inspectors and deputies can be held to the highest of professional standards and to protect the health and well being of the participants and the public.

The Commission sponsored its most recent medical seminar on November 20. Topics such as acute traumatic brain injury, chronic traumatic brain injury, neuroradiology, hand injuries, eye injuries, orthopedic and facial injuries were discussed. At the seminar, Commission and ringside physicians participated in an interactive review of fight films for the dual purpose of identifying risk factors and

continuing the development and amelioration of ringside protocols.

Endeavoring to have the most skilled and competent ring officials in the nation in 2010, the Commission hosted its annual seminar for referees (led by former referee Larry Hazzard) on January 30 at Archemedies High School in the Bronx. The annual judges seminar (led by Melvina Lathan and Steve Weisfeld) took place September 25 at the Department of State. At such seminars, referees and judges are provided additional in-depth information regarding the rules of boxing and current issues in the sport, and they participate in exercises calculated to hone and strengthen their officiating abilities.

Coming in 2011

- Boxer/Manager Financial Planning Workshop
- Promoter Training Seminar
- Judges Seminar
- Referees Seminar
- Inspectors Seminar



- Congratulations to referee Benjy Esteves on the arrival of his first granddaughter, born while Benjy was refereeing a fight in Yonkers.
- Sadly, the boxing family said farewell to boxing icon 'Jimmy O,' founder of the Starret City Boxing Club in Brooklyn. We will miss him dearly.



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