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Letter from the President

Twenty-five years! The WBO is 25 Years Old!! This is what we celebrate this Election Year at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Hollywood, FL from the 22nd to the 26th of October. It's almost surprising that the years have gone by in a blink of an eye. While pondering on these years and what made them successful, one word sums it up. Teamwork!



Teamwork is solidarity between groups of people who have one common goal. It's the joint effort that makes the communication of all to strive with cooperation towards success. Isn't it curious how it becomes a reality?

At the beginning, we had a group of people who were discontent with the way things were going. They banded together and created an Executive Board that has met for 25 years. The work produced by this team is the cohesive element. Success is dependent on other groups working consistently so that each interrelated group creates the solid ground for the star of success to shine on the WBO.

Think about it! You have our groups of promoters, boxers, judges, referees, supervisors, and our staff behind the lines working together towards one consistent goal. You cannot have a bout without the promoters, the boxers, three judges, a referee,

a supervisor and those who pave the road - the WBO staff. Then, there is the TV crew, the sports writers, and finally, the everyday people who love the sport of Boxing. Each and every group is important for ultimate success. If we are without one of the groups, we are fragmented and cannot function. Not being able to function leads to eventual downfall.

Therefore, these twenty-five years of success belong to each and every one of us who through effort and dedication has worked together towards the breakthrough that has defined our careers. The success belongs to Founder/President Luis Batista Salas and to former Presidents Dr. Ramon Pina Acevedo and Chegüi Torres (R.I.P.) whose contributions caused the ripple effect that will rebound forever in the history of the WBO.

Congratulations and welcome to the WBO 25th Jubilee and my sincere "Thank You" for being a great Team Player!

"Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success!" -Henry Ford

Cordially,

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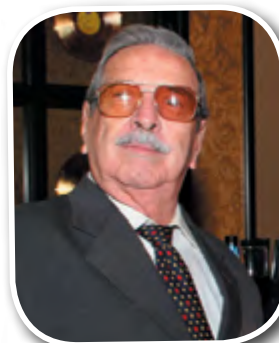
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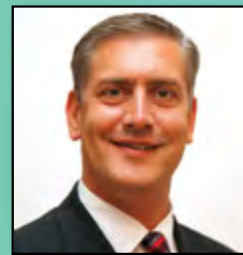
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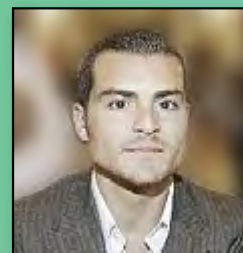
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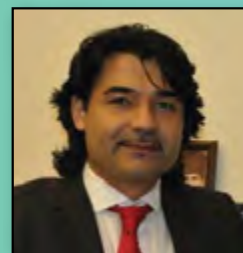
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WBO's Formula

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By: Daniel Alonso
Lo Mejor del Boxeo, Panamá

In order to remain during twenty five years, as one of the leading organizations of world boxing, the World Boxing Organization (WBO) has had to fulfill a number of requirements that pertain to uprightness and strict compliance of its regulations.

The journey to attain world recognition as well as the affinity and acceptance from the fans has been the main objective. This has meant that the quality of the champions that carry the WBO belt on their waists has been the undisputable and indispensable gravitating force for the world to recognize this organization.

Today I would like to take advantage of the customary hospitality of the WBO who invited me to write in their annual magazine, with a reference to the legacy of great champions in their various categories and different periods who have paved the way towards the prestige and credibility this international organization pride itself on.

The World champions of the WBO constitute the formula that has taken this organization to the distinguished place it occupies today. We remember names of certain future members of the hall of fame such as Joe Calzaghe, Juan Manuel Marquez, Manny

Pacquiao, Naseem Hamed, Marco Antonio Barrera, Johnny Tapia and Ivan Calderón, who were each in their time, great WBO champions.

It is also fit to remember that Oscar De La Hoya became a universal name under this institution presided today by Francisco Valcárcel, and in the past by Luis Batista Salas, José "Chegüi" Torres and Ramón Pina Acevedo.

The accomplishments of lasting champions, such as Polish Dariusz "The Tiger" Michalczewski, Arthur Grigorian, Miguel Cotto (Jr. Welterweight), Omar Narvaez (Flyweight), and Wladimir Klitschko (2x Heavyweight) won over the respect of the fans and set the image of worldwide admiration towards the champions.

In addition to those mentioned, when we speak of twenty five years of history, it is necessary to mention Riddick Bowe and Michael Moorer for the Heavyweights, Johnny Nelson y Marco Huck for Jr. Heavyweights, Zsolt Erdei for Lt. Heavy weights and Chris Eubank, the inimitable Eubank, in the Sup. Middleweight.

We cannot leave out Jermaine Taylor and Kelly Pavlik in the Middleweights, and John David Jackson, Winky Wright, Harry Simon y Sergei Dzinziruk in the Jr. Middleweight category.

We are dealing with fighters of undisputable quality and unquestioned merits that single them out to be highly competitive in the TV transmission market and for the great boxing events.

Antonio Margarito, who announced his retirement, and Timothy Bradley who has to his credit having defeated Pacquiao, are names that are tied in to the maelstrom of the years with other figures like Hector "Macho" Camacho, Regilio Tuur and still active, Acelino "Popo" Freitas.

When we see fights today between stars of the caliber of Johnny González, Fernando Montiel and Hugo Cazares, we are reminded that each in their own period, were highly commended holders of the WBO crown.

These are names that speak for themselves; they need no additional artifice or adornments. These are high level athletes who have written their names, together with many others, in the universal legacy of world boxing. On their own, they constitute the formula that in its twenty-five year history has made the WBO great.

I am sure that each additional year of evolution for the organization will add more names to the gallery of kings that make the corner stones in history and prestige of our dear WBO.



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La Formula de la OMB

“Para lograr mantenerse por veinticinco años como uno de los organismos rectores del pugilismo mundial, la Organización Mundial de Boxeo (OMB) ha tenido que cumplir un conjunto de aspectos que pasan los por la rectitud y estricto cumplimiento de sus reglamentaciones.”



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En ese transitar en busca del reconocimiento mundial, la aceptación de la afición, de los fanáticos al boxeo ha sido el principal objetivo a cumplir. Para ello, la calidad de los campeones que portan en sus cinturas las fajas de la OMB ha sido el elemento gravitante, indiscutible e indispensable para que el mundo reconozca a esta entidad.

Hoy quiero, aprovechando la ya habitual hospitalidad que me da la OMB en su revista anual, referirme al legado de los grandes campeones que, en diversas épocas y categorías cimentaron las bases de prestigio y credibilidad que reviste a este ente internacional.

Los campeones mundiales de la OMB han sido la fórmula que ha llevado a este organismo a ocupar el lugar de respeto del cual goza. Basta recordar que futuros seguros miembros del salón de la fama como Joe Calzaghe, Juan Manuel Marquez, Manny Pacquiao, Naseem Hamed, Marco Antonio Barrera, Johnny Tapia e Ivan Calderón fueron, en su

momento grandes campeones de la OMB.

También hay que recordar que Oscar De La Hoya se convirtió en titular universal bajo el reconocimiento de esta institución hoy dignamente dirigida por Francisco Valcarcel, pero por cuya presidencia pasaron Luis Batista Salas, José “Chegüi” Torres y Ramón Pina Acevedo.

Las ejecutorias de campeones duraderos como el polaco Dariusz “El Tigre” Michalczewsky, Arthur Grigorian, Miguel Cotto (en los superligeros), Omar Narvaez (en los moscas) y Wladimir Klitschko (dos veces en los pesados), se ganaron el respeto de la afición y establecieron una imagen de admiración mundial hacia los monarcas.

Además de ellos, cuando se habla de veinticinco años de historia, hay que mencionar a Riddick Bowe y Michael Moorer en los pesados, Johnny Nelson y Marco Huck en los cruceros, Zsolt Erdei en los semipesados y a Chris Eubank, en inimitable Eubank, en los supermedianos.

No se puede dejar de mencionar a Jermaine Taylor y Kelly Pavlik en los medianos, y a John David Jackson, Winky Wright, Harry Simon y Sergei Dzinziruk en los superwelters.

Se trata de peleadores de indiscutible calidad y de inobjetables

méritos que los hacen altamente competitivos en el mercado de las transmisiones por TV y en los grandes eventos boxísticos.

Los nombres de Antonio Margarito, que este año anunció su retiro y Timothy Bradley que tiene el mérito de haber derrotado a Pacquiao, se mezclan en la vorágine de los años junto a figuras más antiguas como Héctor “Macho” Camacho, Regilio Tuur y Acelino “Popo” Freitas, quien aun se mantiene activo.

Hoy día cuando vemos combatir a astros latinos como Johnny González, Fernando Montiel y Hugo Cazares, recordamos que, en su momento, fueron dignos titulares de la corona OMB.

Estos son nombres que hablan por si mismos, que no requieren de mas artificios ni adornos. Son atletas de alto nivel, que dejaron su nombre, junto a muchos otros, en el legado del universo del boxeo mundial. Ellos, por si mismos, son la fórmula que ha hecho grande a la OMB en veinticinco años de existencia.

Estoy seguro que cada año en la evolución de esta organización servirá para ir sumando nuevos nombres en esta galería de reyes del boxeo, piedra angular del prestigio de nuestra querida OMB.

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Adolfo Flores (Treasurer) and Luis Perez (Ratings Chairman).



Grievance Committee Chairman, John Duggan with Legal Counsel Andrew Horn.



Wilfried Sauerland talking with Hedi Taouab, Erno Labega listens to the reports.



Upon arrival at the Senate building in Old San Juan, the WBO group was received by the Ballet of San Juan group dancing on the steps of 'El Capitolio'.



Mark Reels, Fatima Demyanenko, and Igor Mazurov enjoy the visit to 'El Capitolio', a Neoclassical Revival Style building that houses the Puerto Rico Legislature.



Former President Dr. Ramon Pina Acevedo and Officials Horacio Bakemon, Francisco Benzan, and Rafael Ilenia from the Dominican Republic.



Officials Lahcen Oumghar, Rose Lacend, Rafael Ramos, former champion Hector Camacho and friend, and Official Luis Rivera and former champion Alfredo Escalera.



Ruben De Jesus from All Star Boxing joking with Angel "El Negro" Rosario.



Karen and Michael Pernick give their approval!



Hon. Jose R. Diaz Hernandez for the District of Humacao, Senate President Thomas Rivera Schatz, Guaynabo Mayor, Hector O'Neill, Senator Norma Burgos and former Champion Hector Camacho.



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Paco Valcarcel and Joe Hernandez are the singing sensations of the evening.



THAT NIGHT IN LAS VEGAS

“The official statement was that the scheduled bout between Thomas Hearns and James Kinchen, -- Fulgencio Obelmejías replacement after he ditched the bout three weeks before-- would be recognized by a new organization named World Boxing Organization.”



By CARLOS IRUSTA
Director and editor of “Ring Side” Magazine
Buenos Aires, Argentina.



“At that moment, the newly born WBO had 13 member countries and 30 commissions, 10 from the United States of America.”

BACK IN NOVEMBER OF 1988, this journalist was at the Las Vegas Hilton as a special envoy from the “El Gráfico” magazine, to attend the fight between Michael Nunn and Juan Domingo Roldán. Roldán, from Argentina, had just lost two first level bouts - one with Marvelous Marvin Hagler and the other with Thomas Hearns. Now, he had to face someone who was the International Boxing Federation’s middleweight champion. Nunn won by KO at 2:38 of the 8th round, after knocking down the Argentinean in the 1st round.

A few days before the Saturday, November 4th bout, a special Press Conference was held. The official statement was that the scheduled bout between Thomas Hearns and James Kinchen, -- Fulgencio Obelmejías’ replacement after he ditched the bout three weeks before-- would be recognized by a new organization named World Boxing Organization.

I was among the many journalists that attended the news conference, always accompanied by my brand new --at that time-- Nikon pocket auto-focus camera. Under the Presidency of the already prestigious Puerto Rican leader,

Luis Batista Salas, the new organization was officially born --or at least it was *de facto*--.

“We withdrew from the World Boxing Association’s convention because of the organization’s irregularities”, expressed Vice-President William C. Mc Kronsky from Alaska. At the same time Panama’s Alberto Aleman stated, “For example, they are accepting less money than specified for world championships fight the sanctions.”

And, when I doubtfully asked if this was beneficial to boxing, his answer was: “We will contribute our part and the ideal would be that the people from the Association follow in our footsteps...”

At that moment, the newly born WBO had 13 member countries and 30 commissions, 10 from the United States of America.

Obviously, I could not resist shooting a few photos of the moment. Photographs that today are a testimony that permit this journalist to say: “I was there”. In one of these photographs, a person who would later become the WBO president can be seen the always loved and remembered, Chegüi Torres.

That WBA convention at Isla Margarita, with the splintering that gave way to WBO’s first steps, were the

origins of the organization that today holds the penchant of one of the most prestigious in the boxing world. Some years later “Chegüi” became president as I mentioned above, and in 1996, Francisco Valcárcel, occupied the Presidency.

This is not the time, and perhaps not precisely this journalist who needs to deal with the rich history of the organization. On the other hand, it is the moment to locate in the tunnel of time how in the history of the Press Conference’s photographs and the history that unfolded at the Hilton on that Saturday night, Thomas Hearns finally defeated James Kinchen by majority decision, marking the exact moment of birth of an idea, an attitude, a new wave of thought in modern boxing.

Years have passed, and luckily thanks to life itself, those photographs are preserved, taken by a then young journalist who today can share them and repeat one of his favorite phrases: “I was there”.

Thank you Paco, and thanks to all your people for everything but above all, for all you have done and will continue to do for the well-being of international boxing.



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AQUELLA NOCHE EN LAS VEGAS

CARLOS IRUSTA
Director y editor de revista Ring Side
Buenos Aires, Argentina.

PARA NOVIEMBRE de 1988, este periodista se hallaba en el Hilton de Las Vegas, para asistir a la pelea entre Michael Nunn y Juan Domingo Roldán, enviado especial de la revista El Gráfico. Roldán, de Argentina, venía de perder dos peleas de primer nivel ante Marvelous Marvin Hagler y Thomas Hearns. En esa oportunidad, debía enfrentar a quien era campeón mediano de la Federación Internacional de Boxeo. Nunn ganó por KO a los 2m28s del octavo asalto, tras haber derribado al argentino en la primera vuelta.

Un par de días antes del combate -programado para el sábado 4 de noviembre- hubo una conferencia de prensa especial. Se anunciaba, de manera oficial, que la pelea programada para esa velada entre Thomas Hearns y James Kinchen -quien reemplazaba a Fulgencio Obelmejías, que desertó de la pelea tres semanas antes- iba a ser reconocida por una nueva entidad, denominada Organización Mundial de Boxeo.

Estuve entre los tantos periodistas que asistieron a la conferencia, acompañado siempre de mi novedosa -por ese entonces- máquina Nikon de bolsillo, con autofocus. Presidida por el

ya prestigioso dirigente puertorriqueño Luis Bautista Salas, la nueva entidad nacía, oficialmente o, al menos, de hecho.

“Nos retiramos de la convención de la Asociación porque este organismo está cobijando irregularidades.- expresó su vicepresidente, William C. McConkey, de Alaska.

A su vez, el panameño Alberto Alemann, dijo que “Por ejemplo, se están aceptado sumas menores a las especificadas por sanciones de combates de campeonatos mundiales”.

Y, cuando un poco incrédulo, le pregunté si esto beneficiaba al boxeo, su respuesta fue: Aportaremos lo nuestro y lo ideal sería que la gente de la Asociación siga nuestros pasos...”

En ese momento, la recién nacida OMB contaba con la adhesión de 13 países y 30 comisiones de las cuales, 10 eran norteamericanas.

Obviamente, no resistí en obtener algunas fotos de ese momento, fotos que hoy cobran el valor de un testimonio casi incunabulo, al menos para este periodista, que bien puede afirmar, “Yo estuve allí”. En una de ellas aparece el recordado y siempre querido Chegüi Torres, quien luego también sería presidente de la OMB.

Aquella convención de la AMB en

Isla Margarita y el desprendimiento y primeros momentos de la OMB, dieron origen a una entidad que, hoy, es una de las más prestigiosas del mundo pugilístico. El Chegüi fue luego presidente, como ya quedó asentado y en 1996, ocupó ese cargo Francisco Valcárcel.

No es el momento y quizás no sea justamente este periodista quien deba ocuparse de la rica historia de esta entidad; es en cambio, el espacio necesario como para ubicar, en el túnel del tiempo, la historia de esas fotos, de aquella conferencia de prensa, de aquel instante en el Hilton (el sábado, Thomas Hearns finalmente le ganó a James Kinchen, por puntos, tras haber pasado un gran sofocón) en que nacía una idea, una actitud, una nueva corriente de pensamiento en el boxeo moderno.

Han pasado los años y por suerte, aquellas fotos se conservan, obtenidas por un entonces más joven periodista que hoy, gracias a la vida, puede contarle y mostrarlo, repitiendo una de sus frases favoritas: “Yo estuve allí”.



Gracias, Paco y gracias a toda tu gente por todo, pero más que nada, por todo lo que hacen y seguirán haciendo por el bien del boxeo internacional.



Mike Borao, from Borao Entertainment (see ad on the left), with Cedric Kushner and Don King

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CHAMPION CHAUNCY WELLIVER receives his award accompanied by Roland Jankelson.



ERIC GOMEZ receives the OSCAR DE LA HOYA, GOLDEN BOY PROMOTIONS award.



CHAMPION MARCO HUCK is recognized by the WBO.



JOCEVED AND WILFRIED SAUERLAND receive many awards for SAUERLAND EVENT.



MARIO MARGOSSIAN smiles happily with Paco, while Ramon Pina Acevedo and Luis Batista Salas enjoy the moment.



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Call to Battle For WBO, Other Groups: In Unity, Boxing Can Repel Our Enemies

"There's nothing wrong with professional boxing. Nothing wrong, that is, that a heavy application of modern thinking and group unity cannot cure."



By: Michael Marley, Esq

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There's nothing wrong with professional boxing. Nothing wrong, that is, that a heavy application of modern thinking and group unity cannot cure. We don't need a revolution, although it's appropriate that I mention the same in this World Boxing Organization Silver Jubilee Convention Program because this global governing body was born of a peaceful revolution back in 1988, when ex-light heavyweight champ Jose "Chegui" Torres and other likeminded souls stormed out of a WBA Convention held in Isla Margarita, Venezuela. Attorney Luis Batista Salas was the founder and the first president of the renegade group. He was then succeeded by Dominican Dr. Ramon Pina Acevedo and then by Torres. By 1996, the WBO was putting itself on equal footing with the other Alphabet Soup groups, the WBA, the WBC and the IBF. Aply guided by Barrister Francisco "Paco" Valcarcel since 1996, the WBO has overcome the negativity of critics who blasted it as the "WBOgus" and other nasty names. I confess and repent to being the "WBOgus" namecaller from my bully's pulpit at The New York Post.) Fast forward to Boxing World 2012 going into 2013 and boxing looks highly successful and shaky at the same time. But, as I stated, boxing's woes are exaggerated and nothing ails it which progressive thinkers such as Valcarcel and others cannot remedy. But the needed, the necessary, glue for boxing is unity. In 50-plus years of being around pro boxing at the highest of levels, I still don't understand why bickering promoters, managers, lawyers and yes the fighters themselves do not stand under the same banner against common foes. Despite what some juveniles may think and write Mixed Martial Arts (meaning mainly the UFC) is not boxing's worst enemy. The fight game's worst enemy is itself and the inbred hatred which keeps boxing figures with shared goals and objectives from working together. Don King, having just turned 81 years young, is not wrong when he cries "working together works." The current status of the WBO was, like the other world bodies, built on the backs or, more appropriately, on the fists of champions named Pacquiao, De La Hoya, Barrera, Bowe, Wright, Hamed, Tapia, Benn, McClellan, Moorer, Collins and Eubank. But it's up to the soldiers in the field, meaning the governing bodies, to advance the sport-business. For this noble purpose, I now propose:

- 1--A title fight box-off, in which champs at each weight, fight the champs recognized by the other three bodies. That way we can crown some "Supreme Champions."
- 2--Combining the charitable efforts of the WBO, WBA, WBC and IBF into a larger, more efficient social force.
- 3--A Summit Convention/Seminar to be held each year or biannually, at least, at which all four groups can meet, greet and hold officiating seminars and medical seminars and the like for the betterment of boxing. I have more ideas but let me stop while I think I'm ahead on points.
- 4--All four groups combine to make a "Super Officiating Panel" of, let's say, six premier judges and three referees who can handle the most major of all title bouts per agreement of the organizations. All four groups have strengths and weaknesses but, if combined for worthy goals, WBO plus WBA plus WBC plus IBF could turn into the "Fab Four." And boxing would benefit greatly. You want to take the lead here, Hermano and Counselor Valcarcel?

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Llamado de batalla a la OMB y otros grupos: En unidad, el boxeo puede repeler a sus enemigos

“El boxeo profesional no padece de nada. No padece de nada, digamos, que no pueda ser subsanado por una decidida aplicación de un pensamiento moderno y la unidad de grupo.”



Por: Lcdo. Michael Marley

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El boxeo profesional no padece de nada. Pero, como ya dije, se exageran las penas del boxeo y no padece de nada que subsanado por una decidida aplicación de un pensamiento moderno y la unidad de grupo. No necesitamos una revolución, aunque resulta adecuado que yo mencione esto en este Programa de Convención del Aniversario de Plata de la Organización Mundial de Boxeo, ya que este cuerpo mundial nació de una revolución pacífica allá en el 1988, cuando el ex-campeón de los pesos completos, José Chegüi Torres, y otras almas de igual pensamiento, se levantaron y salieron abruptamente de la Convención de la Asociación Mundial de Boxeo, que se estaba llevando a cabo en Isla Margarita, Venezuela. El abogado Luis Batista Salas fue el fundador y primer presidente del renegado grupo. Le siguió el dominicano Dr. Ramón Pina Acevedo, seguido por Torres. En el 1996, la OMB ya tenía una fuerte base y un rango de igual a igual, respecto a “la sopa de letras”, de los otros grupos tales como la AMB, la CMB y la FIB. Bajo el hábil liderato del Abogado Francisco “Paco” Valcárcel desde el año 1996, la OMB ha superado la negativa impresión de los críticos que la denominaron “WBOgus” (la falsa OMB) y otros nombres despectivos. Yo confieso y me arrepiento de ser el que usaba el mote de “WBOgus” desde mi púlpito de “bravucón” en la publicación “The New York Post”. Dando un rápido viaje al Mundo del Boxeo de 2012 y entrando al 2013, el deporte del boxeo se ve como algo muy exitoso a la vez que precario. Pero, como ya dije, se exageran las penas del boxeo y no padece de nada que pensadores progresistas tales como Valcárcel y otros no puedan remediar. Dicho esto, la pega necesaria para el boxeo, es la unidad. En mis 50 años de estar entre las altas esferas del boxeo profesional, todavía no comprendo por qué los promotores, manejadores, abogados y sí, los boxeadores también, no dejan sus dimes y diretes y enarbolan la misma bandera, para así detener a los enemigos comunes. A pesar de lo que algunos más jóvenes piensan y escriben, las Artes Marciales Mixtas (específicamente a la “UFC” por sus siglas en inglés) no son los peores enemigos del boxeo. El peor enemigo del juego del pugilato es el juego mismo junto con el odio imbricado que mantienen a las figuras del boxeo, separadas y sin poder trabajar juntas, cuando, en el fondo, tienen las mismas metas y los mismos objetivos. Don King, con 81 años de juventud acumulada, no está mal cuando anuncia que “trabajar juntos funciona”. El estatus actual de la OMB está basada, así como las otras organizaciones mundiales, sobre las espaldas, o mejor dicho, sobre los puños de campeones con nombres como Pacquiao, De La Hoya, Barrera, Bowe, Wright, Hamed, Tapia, Benn, McClellan, Moorer, Collins y Eubank. Pero depende de los soldados en el campo, y me refiero a los gobernantes de las organizaciones, que adelanten los intereses del deporte. Para este noble propósito, yo ahora propongo:

- 1-Un maratón de peleas de títulos, en los que los campeones de cada división, peleen con los campeones reconocidos por las otras tres organizaciones. De esta manera podrían coronarse “Campeones Supremos”.
- 2-Al combinar los esfuerzos caritativos de la OMB, de la AMB, la CMB y la FIB se crearía una fuerza social mayor y más eficiente.
- 3-Llevar a cabo un Seminario/Convención Cumbre, anual o cada dos años, por lo menos, en el cual se reúnan los cuatro grupos y se lleven a cabo seminarios de oficiales, médicos y otros en beneficio del boxeo en general. Tengo más ideas, pero me detengo aquí (con la siguiente) porque creo que estoy en una buena onda.
- 4-Los cuatro grupos se pueden combinar para hacer un “Súper Panel Oficiante” de, digamos, seis jueces principales y tres árbitros que puedan manejar las principales contiendas, por acuerdo de las mismas organizaciones. Las cuatro organizaciones tienen fortalezas y debilidades, sin embargo, si se combinan para alcanzar metas que valgan la pena, la OMB sumada a la AMB, sumada a la CMB, sumada a la FIB, podrían llegar a ser “Los Fab Four”.

Y sería el boxeo el que se beneficiaría más. ¿Tomas la batuta de relevo aquí, Hermano y Colega Valcárcel?



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Africa

A Boxing Clinic was held at the Valleys and Mountains Development Foundation at Bonnievale in the Western Cape on Route 62 in South Africa. The foundation deals with a "severely disadvantaged, impoverished non-white community where one is confronted with many challenges: alcohol, drug dependency, disintegrated families, overcrowded small homes, HIV/Aids, TB, malnutrition low literacy high drop-out levels from school, an alarming number of teenage pregnancies, gangsterism and sexual offences." That is why their motto of "Learn today, Lead tomorrow" went well with our "Say 'NO' to Drugs". The Clinic was a great success that attracted a large number of youth



Argentina



Together with the FAB, bags and educational materials were donated to 227 youths from the children's center "Casa del Niño de Berazategui and School District 51 in Campichuelo. The youth were thrilled. Regional Latin America Vice President, Jorge Molina and Pres. Valcarcel stressed the importance of saying "NO" to drugs. There was another important donation to the Children's Hospital Pedro Alizalde where Director Dr. Norberto Garrota very appreciatively received much needed medical equipment from the WBO.

Colombia

The activity "Say No to Drugs and Yes, to Sports!" was a great success. Toys and school bags full of educational materials were given to the children.



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Costa Rica

The WBO event was held by President Valcarcel with Ratings Chairman, Luis Perez and 154 lbs. WBO Female Champion, Hanna Gabriels. A monetary incentive was given to the Centro Infantil San Francisco and to the Colegio Flor de Nicoya, two children schools in need of the basics in the capital city of San Jose

Dominican Republic

Executive Committee member Ramon Pina Acevedo presided over the donation of Toys and Bicycles given to more than 200 boys and girls from the area known as the Residencial Los Maestros in the municipality of East Santo Domingo. Boxing Equipment was given to the Trainer of the National Amateur Boxing, Rafael Terrero Castillo. Also present were the sports writer Freddy Nuñez, WBO Latino Committee member, Rafael Isenia, official Roberto Valdez and Olympic Gold Medallist, Felix Diaz Guzman.



El Salvador

President Valcarcel, together with WBO Representative Oscar Canjura, donated sports equipment and educational materials to the youth of El Salvador where he met with the students of the Municipal Sports Institute of Recreation and Sports (IMDER) schools. He stated that the youth need assistance, whether it is educational materials, uniforms, scholarships, hospital equipment, or sporting goods because the WBO believes that investing in youth is investing into the future of a country. Ronald Alvarez, administrator of the Complejo Deportivo Satellite where the donation took place stated that IMDER benefits 30 to 35 thousands youths throughout El Salvador and thanked the WBO for their effort in his country.





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Hungary

At the largest lake in Hungary, Europe VP Istvan Kovacs organized a 5-day Boxing Training Camp. He invited 43 boxing clubs who brought 240 young boxers between the ages of 9 and 17. Former WBO Lt. Heavyweight Champion, Zsolt Erdei was the camp's trainer. Europe VP, Ko-Ko Kovacs was the camp's director. Education and exercise were stressed as the stepping stone for every good athlete. The youth want the WBO to continue offering this wonderful camp every year.



Felicidades a Francisco "Paco" Valcárcel y la Organización Mundial de Boxeo en su Vigésimo Quinto Aniversario.



De parte de Osvaldo Rivero y su campeón mundial OMB
Omar Narváez



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Indonesia



Some children and Mr. Antonio Comia welcome the WBO.



The youth showed us their WBO T-shirts.



They received their school bags with educational items and an incentive to help their parents out.



The children thank the WBO while saying, "See you next year!"



Mexico

The donation went to the Hogares Providencia "Chinchachoma" who care for minors with drug addiction problems. President Valcarcel also gave educational materials to the institution. Champions Juan Manuel Marquez and Moises Fuentes were present and very moved by the young children they saw who wanted their autograph on the T-Shirts and caps received – even on napkins



Nicaragua



The donation in Nicaragua went to the "Hogar de Niñas Cristo Obrero" in Diriomo, Granada, Nicaragua, an institution that houses 40 young girls from 4 to 18 years of age. The girls are victims of physical and emotional abuse, abandonment and high risk situations. The donation went entirely to cover their nutrition. If anyone wants to donate to them, they can do so through Banco BANPRO (Nicaragua), the account is AMIGO (friend in English) and the account number is 10023515037281



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New Zealand

WBO made a monetary donation to the Ted Hingaia Peninsula School of New Zealand for the purchase of gym equipment and educational materials. Principal Jane received the donation from WBO NZ Representative Pat Leonard



Panama

In Panama, Paco, Luis Perez and Rolando Marcos-Hermoso held the Christmas donation at La Merced Church. Together with Councilor Ivan Picota, they also donated boxing equipment at the Yuyin Locando Boxing gym and several amateur gyms.



Philippines

"The WBO sponsored a basketball tournament involving four barangays in the City of Mandaue. This is part of the organization's program to encourage kids to stay in school, get into sports and say "No" to drugs. The tournament opened at the basketball court of the Greenhills Subdivision and Leisure Park. Aspiring cagers from Yocra, Agro, Greenhills and Kasuntingan were divided into Gold, Red, Black and Blue Teams. The winners of the tournament got one mountain bicycle each. WBO Asia Pacific VP, Leon Panoncillo emphasized the need for young Filipinos to continue their studies and avoid the temptations of illegal drugs. Also present were international Referee Attorney Danrex Tapdasan and former WBO interim Lt. Flyweight, John Riel Casimero." -reported by Rene Bonsubre of Philboxing.com





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Puerto Rico

BOXING EQUIPMENT FOR AÑASCO



Executive Committee members, Adolfo Flores, Manuel Marrero Hueca, Paco Valcarcel and Arnaldo Sanchez Recio with official Jose H. Rivera and Trainer and manager, Margaro Cruz traveled to the city of Añasco for the event. Also present was David Bonilla, from the House of Representatives.



The equipment was received with open arms by the young boys who frequently use the gym housed at the Francisco Pagan Stadium. President Valcarcel and Julio Ortiz, the gym's trainer, shake hands amicably.



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During Christmas, the WBO and supporters again visited the institution to offer a monetary donation greatly needed to support the work done by Sister Nilsa Gonzalez and her staff on behalf of the children of this disenfranchised sector.



CASA LAURA VICUÑA

WBO Latino Champion Jonathan Oquendo, and Jose "Chelo" Gonzalez, Former Champions Iron Boy Calderon, Wilfredo Vazquez Jr. and future prospects brothers Mc Williams and Mc Joe Arroyo and Jonathan Gonzalez gave their support to the WBO on Thanksgiving Day activity at the non-profit institution in the area of Caguas for children between 4 and 18 yrs. of age. Their programs are divided in Tutorials, Homework and Artistic Projects in an effort to keep them off the streets. WBO offered the Thanksgiving Dinner and gave gifts for the Bingo Activity.





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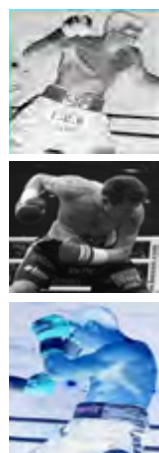
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CATAÑO BOXING CLINIC



During this boxing clinic at the Residencial Jardines de Cataño, Paco stressed the importance of keeping children focused on their studies and sports to keep out of harm's way. Role models present were boxers David Quijano, WBO Latino 115 lbs. champ, Miguel "El Loco" Robles, classified #14 in the 115 Lbs. division, WBO Youth Champ, Flyweight Division, Jonathan "Bomba" Gonzalez, boxers Jorge Maysonet and Jeffrey Fontanez. Robles, the community leader, stressed school and sports on the youth. Trainer Jorge Maysonet Sr. instructed while Quijano & Gonzalez followed his lead. Officials present: Jose H. Rivera, Roberto Ramirez, Jr, Raul Nieves, Hernando Steidel, Cesar Ramos, and Carlos Colon. Executive Committee member Manuel Marrero Hueca was also present.

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Tradition has it that the WBO gives bicycles and toys to over 300 children from the Centers Sor Isolina Ferre every year. This year, former champion Alex "El Nene" Sanchez, WBO Latino Champion Jonathan "Polvo" Oquendo, former Olympian Victor Bisbal, boxing prospects David Quijano, Rafael Gonzalez and Keith Tapia, Amateur boxers, Prichard Colon, Felix Verdejo and Mercedes Alicea were all present. Trainers Dennis Pantoja, Ricardo Marquez and Margaro Cruz, Officials Jose H. Rivera, Ramon Peña, Gino Rodriguez, Carlos Colon, Cesar Ramos, Raul Nieves, and Hernando Steidel and from the WBO, Luis Perez, Manuel Marrero Hueca, Adolfo Flores, and President Valcarcel. The children even took a momento to pray and give thanks for the bounties received. Sister Mildred Vazquez, Executive Director of the centers, thanked the WBO.



Life Begins At Retirement

Joe Cortez is going to retire. His successful career dates back to the 80's. The WBO, its President, and Executive Committee thank him for his contributions to the world of boxing, and wish him the best of luck in all his future endeavors. We hope that Joe allows us to benefit from his vast experience and expertise in the years to come. Joe, remember what Bee Ewing said in a poem:

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All the best for you, Joe!!

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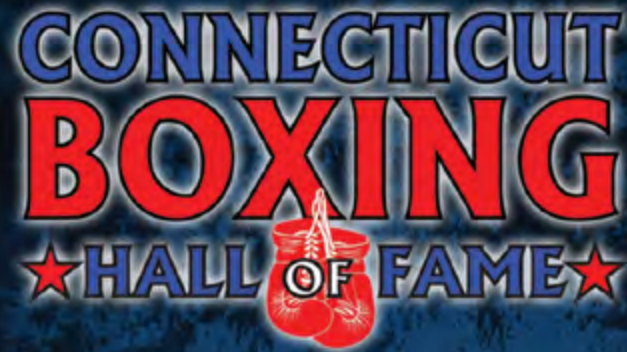
OUTSTANDING AMATEUR BOXER AND STUDENT



The WBO handed a check to 17 year old outstanding amateur boxer and 4.0 average student, Francisco Vargas Ramirez. He is a student of the Community School specializing in Sports, Eugenio Guerra Cruz of the Albergue Olimpico in Salinas, Puerto Rico. At present, he is the 141 lbs. Amateur National Champion and touts the title of 'Most Promising Youth' by the Hall of Fame of Santurce. Present during the donation were Official Gino Rodriguez, Orlando Rodriguez, Amateur Boxer Francisco Vargas, Paco Valcarcel and Adolfo Flores.

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BOXING EQUIPMENT FOR PONCE



The WBO went to the Gym at the Sport Center in Los Caobos managed by former Champion Alex "El Nene" Sanchez to donate boxing equipment and materials. Mayor Mayita Melendez was present, WBO treasurer, Adolfo Flores, Manuel Marrero Hueca, All Star Boxing President Felix Tutico Zabala, Tony Gonzalez, Gamboa and Mayorga's manager, former boxer Alfredo "Salsero" Escalera, the Olympiads Victor Bisbal and Felix Verdejo, prospects Abner "Pin" Cotto and Giovanni "Tarantula" Rodriguez, Amateur Boxer Mercedes Alicea, officials Cesar Ramos, Nelson Vazquez, Carlos Colon, Hernando Steidel, Jose H. Rivera, Roberto Ramirez and Ramon Peña. It was a joyful occasion and well-supported event.



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BOXING EQUIPMENT DONATIONS, CAGUAS



The WBO Kids Drug Free Program donated boxing equipment to the Jose "Cheo" Aponte Gym in Caguas. More than 100 Caguas children are registered and attend the program daily. The event was hosted by President Valcarcel. Trainer Orlando Piñero and former WBO Champion Juan Manuel "Juanma" Lopez were present. Paco stated, "Many of you might become boxing champions, but we want you to be champions of life." Also present were boxers David Quijano (15-2-1, 9 Kos), WBO Latino Champion, Jonathan "Bomba" Gonzalez (10-0, 9 KOs), WBO Youth Champion, John Karl Sosa (3-0, 3 KOs). Senator and Mayor Candidate for the city of Caguas, Norma Burgos, Committee Members, Luis Perez and Alberto Rodriguez, officials Roberto Ramirez Sr, Jose H. Rivera, Hernando Steidel and Carlos Colon.



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RESIDENCIAL YAGUEZ



WBO gave toys and bicycles to the children of the Yaguez Complex during Christmas. Present were President Valcarcel, Luis Perez, Adolfo Flores, and Manuel Marrero Hueca; Attorney Efrain De Jesus in representation of Mayor Jose Guillermo Rodriguez, Luis Rivera and Norma Miranda as community leaders; officials, Jose H. Rivera, Roberto Ramirez Jr., Raul Nieves and Hernando Steidel; former champion Carlos "El Indio" Quintana and boxing prospects, Luis Orlando Del Valle, Victor Bisbal, Jeffrey Fontanez and amateur female boxer, Mercedes Alica.

TRIBUTE TO PANAMERICAN MEDALISTS



The honored medallists were 60 Kgs. Gold Medallist Kiria Tapia, 49 Kgs. Bronze Medallist Janthony Ortiz, 60 Kgs. Bronze Medallist Angel Suarez, and +91 Kgs. Bronze Medallist Gerardo Bisbal. Trainers "Chicky" Laureano and Victor "Cano" Ortiz, as well as the President of the FPBA (Amateur Boxing Federation) Jose Luis Vellon were also present during the ceremony. President Valcarcel and Luis Batista Salas gave each a plaque commemorating the occasion and a check: \$1000 for Kiria Tapia and \$500 for each of the Bronze



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RING CEREMONY



Argentinean WBO Jr. Flyweight Female Champion Yesica Bopp received her 7th Defense Diamond Ring from President Valcarcel. "Iron Boy" Calderon, Alex "El Nene" Sanchez and "Juanma" Lopez, seen with their hands extended, also have the coveted ring. Also present at the ceremony were former champions "Rocky" Martinez, Wilfredo Vazquez Sr. and Jr., as were Jonathan Oquendo, Luis Orlando Del Valle, Abner Cotto, McWilliams and McJoe Arroyo, David Quijano, Miguel Robles and prospects Jonathan Gonzalez, Israel Vazquez and John Karl Sosa. Officials Cesar Ramos, Nelson Vazquez, Jose Roberto Torres, Carlos Colon, Raul Nieves, Hernando Steidel, Jose H. Rivera, Roberto Ramirez Sr. and Jr. were present. Aside from President Francisco Valcarcel, Board members Luis Batista Salas, Luis Perez, Adolfo Flores Monge and Manuel Marrero Hueca took part in the commemoration.

TV CHRISTMAS ACTIVITY TO "KO" ABUSE IN CHILDREN



Raymond Arrieta and Dagmar, both TV Personalities from the program Day by Day, held a 4 round bout vs. Juanma Lopez and female boxer Kiria Tapia, respectively with the goal of acquiring Christmas toys for abused and special needs children from birth to 15 years of age. The judges were Jay Fonseca, former Champions Ivan Calderon and Rocky Martinez and the referee was Jose H. Rivera. The family event held in Toa Baja had an entrance fee of a toy valued in \$10.00 or more. Food was served and various music groups performed. The gifts were handed out on December 23rd during the transmission of the program. The WBO donated 5 Thousand Dollars to the event.



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Thailand



After the destruction left behind by the torrential flood waters that befell Thailand, the WBO brought smiles to children's faces when they received a generous donation of educational materials, bags, t-shirts, luncheons, monies for tuition, educational games and prizes during the 5-day program to help those who not only lost everything in their homes. 19 Schools participated of the events. We extended the gift giving to twelve provinces: Kalasin, Khonkaen, Nakornpankom, Buengran, Mahasarakam, Mukdahan, Royet, Loei, Sakonnakorn, Hongkrai, Hnonbaolampoo and Udon Thani. The Region 4 Narcotic's office director, Mr. Songkram Khamtonwong helped to coordinate the 19 Schools event.



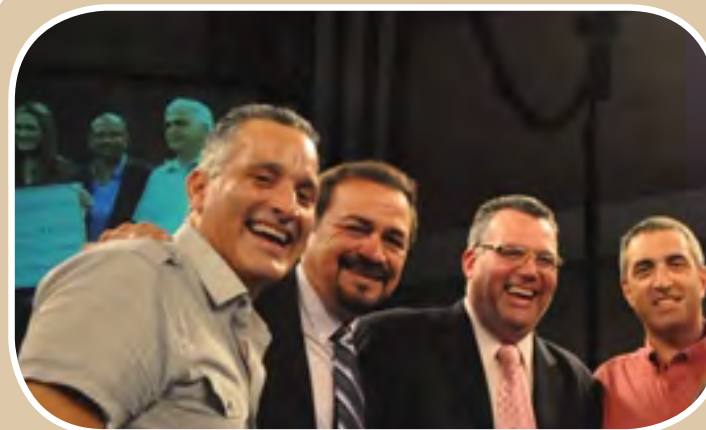
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United States Los Angeles



This year the Boxing Equipment donation went to the Broadway Boxing Gym, Eddie Heredia's Boxing Club and the City of Commerce Boxing Club. They received equipment such as, boxing gloves, head gear with and without cheek, speed bags, punch mitts, groin protectors, punch and body shields, mouth guards, jump ropes, rubber medicine balls, wraps, etc.

NABO office in LA also contributed with former WBO Heavyweight World Champion Lamon Brewster's annual Christmas Toy Drive.



Osceola

The WBO contributes to support the Education Foundation of Osceola County's Scholarship Program in an attempt to change the lives of students forever with the promise of a college degree. This initiative is for students with a GPA of at least 2.5 or higher who must write an essay on a chosen topic. Last year's topic was "What is Success through Education and Sports?" Last year our five winners were Ty Lee, Sean Speer, Katelynn Kraft, Alicia Palm and Austin Bauer. The awards were given by Luis Perez. All Star Boxing President, Felix "Tutico" Zabala and Ruben De Jesus together with other personalities were present at the award ceremony held during the bout between Orlando "El Fenomeno" Cruz vs Michael Franco for the WBO Latino Featherweight Title.



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Other Donations



AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

Everyone knows someone who's gone because of this dreadful disease. Research is the best recourse but it costs lots of money. WBO supports the society whose emphasis it is to save lives.



KING ALI ESSAY

This is a new venture initiated by Sartok Designs, home of the master craftsman, Ardash Sahaghian, creator of the modern boxing belts and father of the WBO Belts, who is joining the ranks of boxing legends as an inductee into the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame's Class of 2012 for his more than three decades of contribution to the Sweet Science and the image of professional boxing. This essay contest named after Martin Luther King, Jr. and Muhammad Ali is intended to promote literary, as well as, recognize analytical thinking and writing talent in tri-state area boxers and boxing enthusiasts 17 to 22 years.



OSCAR DE LA HOYA FOUNDATION

WBO cooperates with the foundation that raises funds for the Cecilia Gonzalez De La Hoya Cancer Center that provides a full range of diagnostics and treatment options for all types of cancer; the Oscar De La Hoya Labor and Delivery Center that offers Neo-Natal Intensive Care Unit for the most sick and ill new born patients; the Amino Charter High School, giving the children tools to grow into pillars of the community; educational programs and academic scholarships; guidance regarding gang activity, juvenile delinquency and substance abuse; and community and social events throughout the year. Everything is geared to East LA community.



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HAVE IT YOUR WAY FOUNDATION

BK CHARITIES

The WBO cooperates with the Burger King initiative with a donation for 1) SER, a non-profit organization affiliated to Easter Seals, offering educational and rehabilitation services to handicapped children and adults. It's the only pediatric rehabilitation center that intervenes with children diagnosed with autism to optimize their potential development. 2) It also donates to ESPIBI that provide services to children with Spine Bifida, Down Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, Autism, Microcephaly, speech and language problems, Motor Skills Delays, Hyperactivity, ADD and many other special conditions (42 in total). 3) The Muscular Dystrophy Association, searching for new genetic technologies seeking the cure for neuromuscular conditions 4) P.E.C.E.S. Project whose purpose is to foment and strengthen leadership abilities in teenagers and young adults; Hogar Cuna San Cristobal, a non-profit institution for Puerto Rican Children victims of abuse; and, finally, the Dominican Nuns of our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima who operate 11 convent/houses and centers or institutes for the disenfranchised in Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, Haiti, and Venezuela.



FUNDACION CHEGUI TORRES

Every year the foundation recognizes the work athletes, newscasters and artists of the community. This year awards went to Track and Field athlete Javier Culson, female boxer Kiria Tapia, historian Carlos Uriarte, musicians Quique and Papo Lucca and TV Anchor, Rafael Bracero. The WBO cooperated with the effort.

PENITENCIARY INMATES TURKEY DINNER

During Thanksgiving President Valcarcel authorized a Turkey Dinner catering donation for 300 inmates from the Penitentiary in San Juan. The successful activity brought a bit of sun into the lives of the inmates.



GRANERO DE SANTIAGO

During Christmas the WBO donated cash to this church for the purchase of first necessity articles and gifts for the children and youth of a disenfranchised section in San Juan, as a community service to the area.

COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP OF BARRIO OBRERO

Also during Christmas and in another low income community, the WBO donated cash for the purchase of gifts and boxing equipment for the children and youth of the community. Three of the Panamerican Games Medallists come from this community.

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Norma Nieves Vega

Born on October 9, 1956 – Died on April 12, 2012

Norma passed away at 9:15 in the morning unable to win the battle against cancer.

Do you remember her smile and her outstretched hands ready to help in any way she could? If there was a problem, the first name that came to mind was Norma. We all knew that come what may, we could always count on Norma.

She graduated from the Sagrado Corazon University, where she specialized in her passion - Art & Photographic Science and Audio Production. Her extraordinary visual acuity, her sensitivity and dedication led her to constantly look for new ways to define perfection. She went on to become a professor, teaching that which came so natural to her.

What no one knows is that she was also a great percussionist. She came from a very musical family, where every member plays several instruments and she was no different. Her musical ear was something to be reckoned with. She even had four-member musical group that was hired for events throughout Puerto Rico. I ended up taking Cuatro classes, thanks to her.

But, maybe her most outstanding quality was her humility. This enabled her to always move forward in acquiring the right image and effect, even if it meant working hours on end. And despite the accolades received throughout her career, she never once attempted to use them as a crutch to carry her weight. To her, each day was a new beginning.

Throughout the years she worked with dedication to make each and every WBO Annual Convention, Collectors Magazine, and WBO Kids Drug Free Program event, a special one. She often said that the beauty of it all was that no one knew all the work she did behind the scenes.

During the last event organized by Norma for the Sister Isolina Ferre Centers, Sister Mildred commented on the extraordinary work she had done. I was surprised at the happiness that the comment brought to Norma's heart! She said, "At the end of the day that is all we take...the pleasure of knowing we did good, we gave our best with all our hearts. It was received and reciprocated with appreciation."

These are just a few of the simple things why Norma will always be NORMA to all of us lucky enough to have known her. She will never be forgotten, as I am sure you won't either! We, at WBO, will always cherish her friendship and hold her dear to our hearts forever.



TRIBUTE TO CORRIE SANDERS

January 7, 1966 – September 22, 2012



Boxers are brave but none more so than Big Corrie

By Jeff Powell – Published on Mail Online

We talk a lot about heroes in the ring but Corrie Sanders has reminded us to be more sparing with the word. There was courage aplenty from the South African heavyweight when he won his world title by knocking out Wladimir Klitschko, then when he lost that belt to big brother Vitali in a slug-fest.

But it was in what should have been the more genteel surroundings of a smart restaurant in Pretoria the other night that Sanders became a hero by the larger definition of the word.

As a gang of robbers started shooting at the guests at his nephew's birthday dinner, Sanders saw that his daughter was in the line of fire and hurled his body in front of her as a shield.

One bullet went through his arm. The other hit him in the stomach and it was from that wound that he died soon after in the hospital. This large, affable and sporting gentleman was 46.

The Klitschkos have been among the first to express

their sorrow for an opponent they respected – and their anger at the perpetrators of this senseless tragedy.

The South African authorities have launched a huge man-hunt for the killers of one of their national icons and the shock of the murder may prove beneficial in sharpening the focus on the country's violent crime wave.

A sport, as well as a nation and a family, mourns for a much-loved man who lost only four times in a distinguished boxing career.

We join in saluting him, also, for sacrificing his life to save his daughter.

Boxers are brave. None more so than Big Corrie...

(Three Zimbabweans have been arrested in connection to his murder and are being held without bail.)

TRIBUTE TO Johnny Tapia

Feb. 13, 1967-May 27, 2012



Intercambio de Golpes



Por Bernardo Osuna
ESPNDeportesLosAngeles.com (Actualizado: 1 de junio de 2012, 14:58 EDT)

Bernardo Osuna es el anfitrión de Friday Night Fights en ESPN2 y corresponsal de ESPN Deportes en Los Angeles, además de colaborador de Golpe a Golpe y Nación ESPN.

El mundo del boxeo está de luto por la muerte de Johnny Tapia. El cinco veces campeón mundial en tres divisiones fue un gran guerrero adentro del cuadrilátero, pero un alma torturada en vida. En lugar de estar tristes, deberíamos festejar la vida del peleador que se autodenominó "Mi Vida Loca" y que superó todas las expectativas con una carrera ilustre arriba del ring, el único lugar en el mundo, donde Johnny se sentía cómodo.

Desde chico, atravesó por eventos inconcebibles para muchos y las consecuencias fueron manifestándose paulatinamente. A los 8 años de edad, presenció el secuestro y asesinato de su madre, un evento que marcaría su vida hasta el final. En su biografía "Mi Vida Loca" el hombre que era inconfundible por sus tatuajes habla de cómo su vida ha sido una tortura y que la única paz que buscaba era estar junto a su madre en el más allá.

A lo largo de su vida, Johnny fue resucitado cinco veces por sobredosis de droga, incluyendo su noche de bodas. Su esposa Teresa siempre estuvo a su lado y no sería una exageración decir que ella fue la única razón de que Tapia llegó a los 45 años de edad.

Su otra salvación fue el boxeo, ya que a los 9 años, su abuelo Miguel le enseñó a boxear. Sus tíos lo ponían a pelear en las calles de Albuquerque y dijo que lo criaron para pelear como un perro "pitbull."

... Tapia tuvo una gran trayectoria amateur y tuvo su debut profesional en 1988.

Con un empate, nació la leyenda del Johnny "Mi Vida Loca" Tapia. Sus guerras en el ring fueron épicas, como también su batalla con la adicción a las drogas. Estuvo alejado del ring por más de tres años antes de ganar su primer título mundial, suspendido por uso de cocaína.

No obstante, regresó para ganar su primer cetro mundial. El triunfo más importante de su carrera lo logró sobre Danny "Kid Dinamita" Romero en un combate de unificación en peso supermosca ante su archí-rival de Albuquerque.

Posteriormente conquistaría la corona peso gallo, perdiéndola ante Paulie Ayala. Sorprendentemente, Tapia vencería a Manuel "Mantecas" Medina por el título pluma.

Sus ademanes en el ring lo convirtieron en uno de los favoritos del público, ya que Tapia estaba dispuesto a recibir con tal de conectar lo suyo. Su última pelea la realizó en junio del 2011 y terminó con una foja profesional de 59-5-2, 30 KO's.

Todo un campeón arriba del ring y a pesar de sus fallas abajo del cuadrilátero, Tapia era una persona genuina que entregaba su cariño limpiamente. Yo empecé a cubrir su carrera cuando iniciaba como periodista en 1994 y en ese entonces, Johnny hablaba muy poco español.

Sin embargo, Tapia me prometió

que aprendería español para poder hacer mejores entrevistas. Para su pelea de 1997 contra Danny Romero, su respuesta a la pregunta, "cual es la clave de la victoria," fue sencilla... "Arrecha, corazón y huevos." Con la mano derecha y sus otros atributos, le basto toda la vida para salir adelante arriba del ring.

Uno de mis recuerdos más gratos como periodista fue después de la derrota que tuvo Johnny Tapia contra Marco Antonio Barrera en el MGM Grand de Las Vegas en el 2002. Vale la pena comentarles que la entrevista más difícil de conseguir es la que se hace después de que un peleador pierde una pelea.

Estábamos varios periodistas esperando a Barrera y a Tapia en la entrada de los vestidores. Tapia llega primero, escoltado por la seguridad del hotel, miembros de la Comisión Atlética de Nevada y un par de guardaespaldas enormes que abrían el camino y diciendo "no entrevistas, no entrevistas."

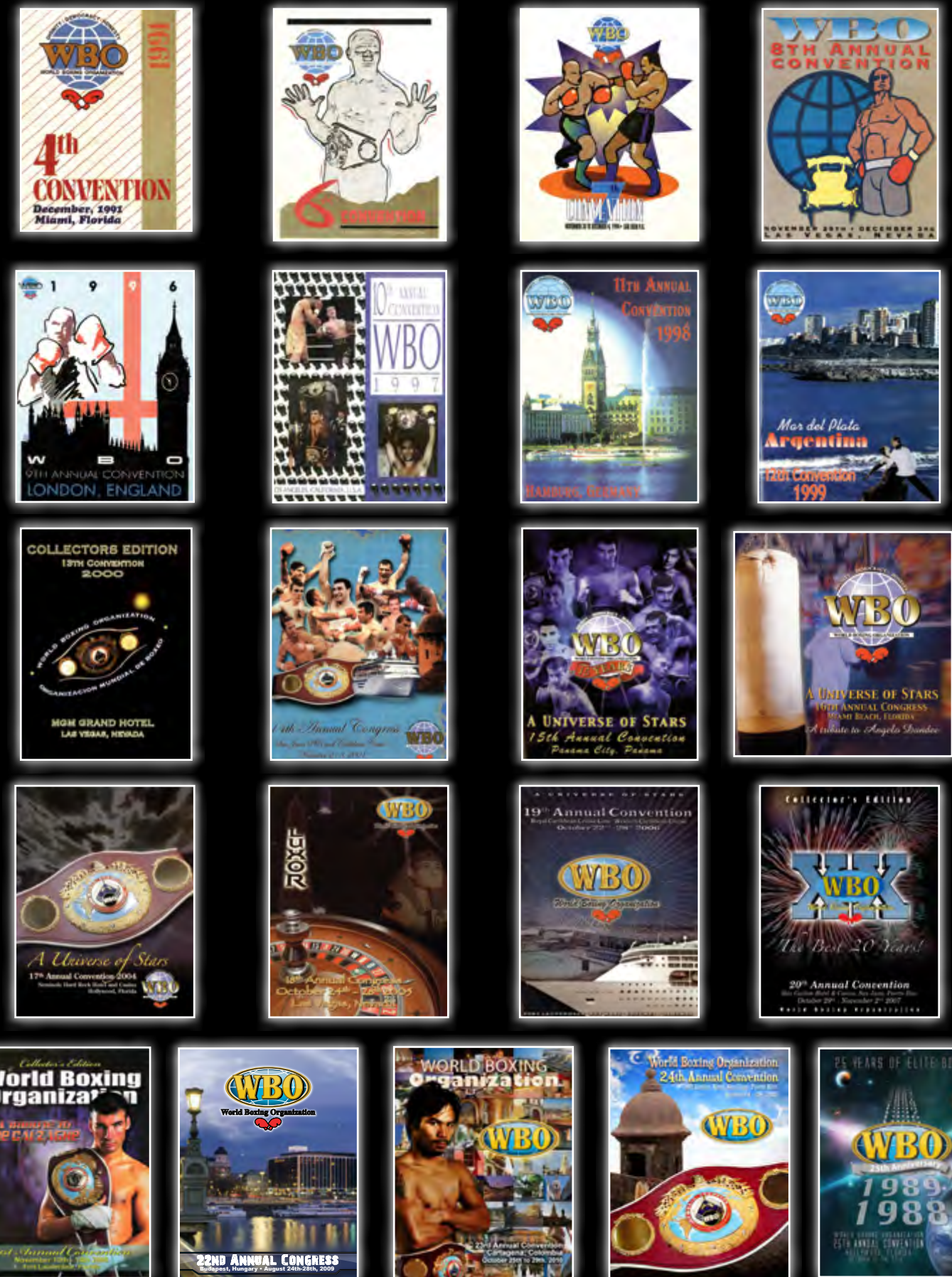
Buscando llamar su atención, le grité, "Johnny, una entrevista por favor." Tapia reconoció mi voz, se paró en seco, me miró a los ojos y me dijo "para ti sí, mi hermano." Se dirigió hacia mí, me abrazó y respondió a mis preguntas. Cuando terminamos, me abrazó otra vez, se fue hacia su camerino y me dijo lo mismo de siempre, "reza pa mí." Así es Johnny, miles de nosotros estamos rezando por ti y para que tu alma finalmente descanse en paz.

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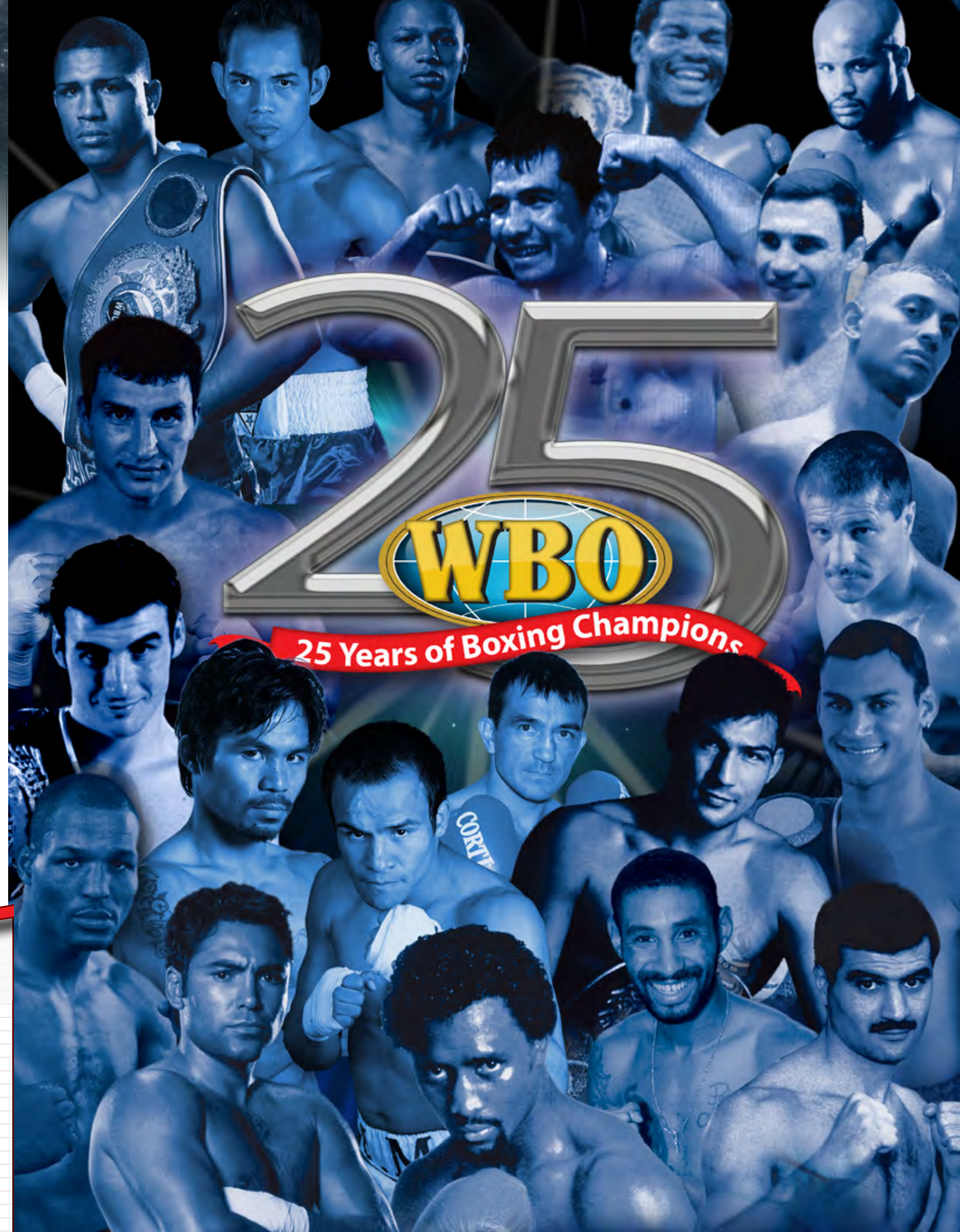


FEMALE FIGHTER OF THE YEAR



Yesica "Tuti" Bopp

Light flyweight • 22-0 10 KO • Argentina



25 Years of Best Boxing Champions



HEAVYWEIGHT		
3/13/08	Wladimir Klitschko became Super Champion	
2/23/08	Unification Wladimir Klitschko UD12 Sultan Ibragimov	New York
6/2/07	Sultan Ibragimov UD12 Shannon Briggs	New Jersey
11/4/06	Shannon Briggs TKO 12 Sergei Lyakhovich	Arizona
4/1/06	Sergei Lyakhovich W12 Lamon Brewster	Ohio
4/10/04	Lamon Brewster KO5 Wladimir Klitschko	Nevada
	Sanders Relinquishes Title	
3/8/03	Corrie Sanders KO2 Wladimir Klitschko	Germany
10/14/00	Wladimir Klitschko W12 Chris Byrd	
4/1/00	Chris Byrd TKO10 (Injury) Vitaly Klitschko	Germany
6/26/99	Vitaly Klitschko KO2 Herbie Hide	England
6/28/97	Herbie Hide KO2 Tony Tucker for vacant title	England
	Akinwande Relinquishes Title after 2 Defenses	
6/29/96	H. Akinwande TKO6 Jeremy Williams	California
	Vacant Title	
3/11/95	Riddick Bowe KO6 Herbie Hide	
	Bowe Relinquishes Title	
3/19/94	Herbie Hide KO7 Michael Bentt	
10/29/93	Michael Bentt TKO1 Tommy Morrison	Oklahoma
6/7/93	Tom Morrison W12 George Foreman	Nevada
	Vacant Title	
5/15/92	* Michael Moorer TKO5 Bert Cooper	

JUNIOR HEAVYWEIGHT		
	Vacant Title	
1/11/91	*Ray Mercer KO9 Francesco Damiani	
5/6/89	Francesco Damiani KO3 Johnny Duplooy	Italy
	*Mercer and Moorer Relinquish Titles	
	Vacant Title	
12/5/09	Marco Huck UD 12 Interim Champion Ola Afolabi	Germany
8/29/10	Marco Huck UD 12 Victor R. Ramirez WBO Champion	Germany
3/14/09	Ola Afolabi TKO 9 Enzo Maccarinelli Interim Title	England
2/27/09	Victor E. Ramirez became WBO Champion	
1/17/09	Victor E. Ramirez TKO9 Alexander Alekseev for the Interim WBO Title	Germany
7/22/08	David Haye relinquished his WBO Title	
	to move to the Heavyweight division	
3/8/08	Unification David Haye TKO2 Enzo Maccarinelli	England
7/2/06	Enzo Maccarinelli TKO9 Marcelo Dominguez	Wales
	For Interim Title/Gains Full Recognition	
	Upon Nelson's Retirement on October 2006	
3/27/99	Johnny Nelson TKO5 Carl Thompson	
10/4/97	Carl Thompson SD 12 Ralf Rocchigiani	England
6/10/95	Ralf Rocchigiani KO11 Carl Thompson	England
	Vacant Title	
Dec-94	Dariusz Michalczewski Vacates Title	
	To return to Light Heavyweight Division	



12/17/94	Dariusz Michalczewski KO10 Nestor Giovanni	Germany
6/26/93	Nestor Giovanni SD 12 Markus Bott	Germany
2/13/93	Markus Bott UD 12 Tyrone Booze	Germany
7/25/92	Tyrone Booze KO7 Derek Angol/Vacant Title	England
5/17/90	Magne Havnaa TKO 5 Richard Boonee Pultz	Denmark
12/3/89	Richard Boonee Pultz SD 12 Magne Havnaa	Denmark
	LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT	
5/19/11	Nathan Cleverly became WBO Champion after Juergen Braehmer didn't show up for the fight	England
12/11/10	Nathan Cleverly UD12 Nadjib Mohammadi for Interim title	England
	after Juergen Braehmer was injured	
8/22/09	Juergen Braehmer TKO 11 Aleksy Kuziemski/Vacant title	Hungary
11/21/2009	Zsolt Erdei relinquished his title to move to Jr. Heavyweight	
1/17/04	Zsolt Erdei UD 12 Julio González	Germany
10/18/03	Julio González SD 12 Dariusz Michalczewski	Germany
6/13/97	Dariusz Michalczewski UD 12 Virgil Hill	Germany
	Unifies WBO/WBA/IBF Titles	
9/10/94	Dariusz Michalczewski UD 12 Leonzer Barber	Germany
5/9/91	Leonzer Barber TKO 6 Tom Collins	England
1/1/91	Moorer Vacates to Fight for WBO Heavyweight	
12/3/88	Michael Moorer TKO 5 Ramzi Hassan	Ohio
	SUPER-MIDDLEWEIGHT	
8/25/12	Arthur Abraham UD12 Robert Stieglitz	Germany



8/22/09	Robert Stieglitz TKO 11 Karoly Balzsay	Hungary
1/10/09	Karoly Balzsay UD12 Denis Inkin	Germany
9/27/08	Denis Inkin UD 12 Fulgencio Zuñiga	Germany
9/24/08	Calzaghe relinquishes his WBO Title	
5/7/05	Joe Calzaghe TKO6 Mario Veit	Germany
	WBO Title	
5/8/04	Mario Veit SD12 Kabary Salem	Germany
	Interim Champion	
10/11/97	Joe Calzaghe UD 12 Chris Eubank	England
10/2/97	Steve Collins Retires	
3/18/95	Steve Collins UD 12 Chris Eubank	England
9/21/91	Chris Eubank TKO 12 Michael Watson	England
4/4/91	Thomas Hearns Vacates Title to Fight in	
	Light Heavyweight division	
11/4/88	Thomas Hearns MD 12 James Kinchen	Nevada
	MIDDLEWEIGHT	
8/25/12	Hassan N'Dam N'Jikam became Champion	
8/25/12	Dmitry Pirog didn't face mandatory N'Jikam; decided to face Golovkin; accord allows entering ring w/belt even bout doesn't occurs he vacates title	
5/4/12	Hassan N'Dam N'Jikam vs. Max Bursak/Interim title	France
7/31/10	Dmitry Pirog TKO 5 Daniel Jacobs/Vacant title	Las Vegas, NV/USA
5/29/10	Sergio Martinez was stripped according to the WBO Rules and Regulations	
	Rule 15. C. Martinez had hold two differents weight Class (154 & 160)	
4/17/10	Sergio Martinez UD 12 Kelly Pavlik unification title	Ohio/USA
9/29/07	Kelly Pavlik TKO7 Jermaine Taylor	New Jersey
7/16/05	Jermaine Taylor SD 12 Bernard Hopkins	Nevada
9/18/04	Bernard Hopkins KO9 Oscar De La Hoya	Nevada



6/5/04	Oscar De La Hoya UD 12 Felix Sturm	Nevada		Eubank Vacates Title to Fight for WBO	
9/13/03	Felix Sturm SD 12 Héctor Velázco	Germany		Super Middleweight Title	
5/10/03	Héctor Velázco RTD 8 Andras Galfi Simon Vacates Title	Argentina	11/18/90	Chris Eubank TKO9 Nigel Benn	England
4/6/02	Harry Simon UD 12 Armand Krajnc WBO Title	Denmark	4/29/90	Nigel Benn TKO8 Doug DeWitt	New Jersey
7/21/01	Harry Simon UD 12 Hacine Cherifi Interim Champion	Puerto Rico	4/18/89	Doug DeWitt SD 12 Robbie Sims	New Jersey
10/7/00	Armand Krajnc TKO 6 Bert Schenk	Germany		JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHT	
11/27/99	Armand Krajnc TKO 8 Jason Mathews	Germany	10/5/11	Zaurbek Baysangurov became official WBO Jr. Middleweight Champion	
7/17/99	Jason Mathews KO2 Ryan Rhodes Interim Champion	England	10/5/11	Serhey Dzinziruk title was stripped	
1/30/99	Bert Schenk TKO 4 Freeman Barr	Germany	7/30/11	Zaurbek Baysangurov KO 1 Mike Miranda/Interim title	Ukraine
10/19/97	Otis Grant Title Vacated Moves Up to 175 Fights Roy Jone Jr.		7/12/10	Alfredo Angulo relinquished his title for number one position	USA
12/13/97	Otis Grant UD 12 Ryan Rhodes Lonnie Bradley Vacates Title Eye Injury	England	11/7/09	Alfredo Angulo KO 3 Harry Joe Yorgey/Interim title	Connecticut, USA
5/19/95	Lonnie Bradley TKO12 David Mendez Collins Vacates to Challenge WBO Super Middleweight Chris Eubanks	Nevada	11/4/09	Paul Williams was stripped according to the WBO Rules and Regulations	
5/11/94	Steve Collins TKO 5 Chris Pyatt	England	11/29/08	Didn't defend his title instead fought twice at the Middleweight division	
5/19/93	Chris Pyatt UD 12 Sumbu Kalambay	England		Paul Williams TKO 8 Verno Phillips WBO Interim title	California
11/20/91	Gerald McClellan TKO 1 John Mugabi	England	12/3/05	Sergey Dzinziruk UD 12 Daniel Santos	Germany
			3/16/02	Daniel Santos TKO11 Luis Ramon Campas	Nevada
				Simon Vacates Title to Fight for WBO Middleweight Title	
			8/22/98	Harry Simon MD 12 Ronald Wright	South Africa
			5/17/96	Ronald Wright SD 12 Bronco McKart	Michigan

3/1/96	Bronco McKart TKO 9 Santos Cardona	California	12/10/94	Eamonn Loughran TD 4 Manny Galloway	England
	Title Declared Vacant after Jones Refuses Mandatory Defense		8/13/94	Manning Galloway TKO 6 Anthony Jones Interim Champion	Puerto Rico
11/22/95	Paul Jones MD 12 Verno Phillips	England	10/16/93	Eamonn Loughran UD 12 Lorenzo Smith	
5/17/95	Verno Phillips reinstated as champion Rosi fail the drug test- the decision was also changed to ND			Title Declared Vacant After Jacobsen Refuses Mandatory Bout after 6 Defenses	
5/17/95	Gianfranco Rosi ND 12 Verno Phillips	Italy	2/12/93	Gert Jacobsen UD 12 Manning Galloway	Denmark
10/30/93	Verno Phillips TKO 7 Lupe Aquino Vacant Title	Arizona	12/15/89	Manning Galloway PTS 12 Al Hamza Title Declared Vacant Due to Leon's Failure to Defend Title	Puerto Rico
10/1/93	After 6 WBO Defenses, Jackson Vacates Title to Fight For the WBA Middleweight Title		5/6/89	Genaro León KO1 Daniel García	California
12/8/88	John David Jackson TKO 8 Lupe Aquino	Michigan		JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHT	
	WELTERWEIGHT		11/12/12	Juan Manuel Marquez became champion	
11/12/12	Timothy Bradley SD 12 Manny Pacquiao	Las Vegas, NV/USA	11/12/12	Timothy Bradley moved up to Welterweight division	
11/14/09	Manny Pacquiao recognizes as a Super Champion		4/14/12	Juan Manuel Marquez UD 12 Serhiy Fedchenko/Interim title	Mexico
11/14/09	Manny Pacquiao TKO 12 Miguel Cotto	Las Vegas, NV/USA	12/12/09	Timothy Bradley UD 12 Interim Champion Lamont Peterson	California/ USA
2/21/09	Miguel Cotto TKO 5 Michael Jennings for the vacant title	New York	4/25/09	Lamont Peterson TKO 7 Willie Blain for the Interim Champion	Puerto Rico
11/11/08	Paul Williams vacate title to fight for WBO Jr. Middleweight title		4/4/09	Timothy Bradley UD 12 Kendall Holt	Canada
6/7/08	Paul Williams TKO 1 Carlos Quintana	Connecticut	7/5/08	Kendall Holt KO1 Ricardo Torres	Nevada
2/9/08	Carlos Quintana UD 12 Paul Williams	California	11/18/06	Ricardo Torres SD12 Mike Arnaoutis Vacant Title	Nevada
7/14/07	Paul Williams UD 12 Antonio Margarito	California	Jul-06	Miguel Cotto Relinquishes Title after 6 To Defenses to Fight for WBA 147 Title	
4/23/05	Antonio Margarito TKO 5 Kermit Cintrón	Nevada	9/11/04	Miguel Cotto TKO 6 Kelson Pinto Zab Judah Vacates Title to Fight For WBA/IBF Welter Title	Puerto Rico
7/17/04	Kermit Cintrón TKO 8 Teddy Reid Interim Champion	Texas	7/12/03	Zab Judah SD12 DeMarcus Corley	Nevada
3/16/02	Antonio Margarito TKO 10 Antonio Diaz Santos Vacates Title To Fight Jr. Middleweight Title	Nevada	6/30/01	DeMarcus Corley TKO 1 Félix Flores Julio Vacates Title	Nevada
5/6/00	Daniel Santos KO 5 Ahmed Katejev	Germany	7/22/00	Ener Julio SD 12 Randall Bailey	Florida
11/27/99	Ahmed Katejev SD 12 Daniel Santos	Germany			
2/14/98	Ahmed Katejev UD12 Leonard Townsend Loewe Vacates To Retire	Germany			
2/22/97	Michael Loewe UD12 Santiago Samaniego	Germany			
10/6/96	Title Declared Vacant after López Fails the Post-Drug Test Following 5th Round TKO				
	Victory over Luis Ramón Campas				
4/13/96	José Luis López KO1 Eamonn Loughran	Ireland			



5/15/99	Randall Bailey KO 1 Carlos González	Florida	3/8/08	Nate Campbell SD 12 Juan Díaz	Mexico
5/29/98	Carlos González TKO 9 Giovanni Parisi	Italy	4/28/07	Juan Díaz RTD 8 Acelino Freitas	Connecticut
3/9/96	Giovanni Parisi TKO 8 Sammy Fuentes	Italy	2/2/07	Michael Katsidis RTD 5 Graham Earl	England
2/20/95	Sammy Fuentes TKO 2 Fidel Avendano	California	4/29/06	Acelino Freitas SD 12 Zahir Raheem	Connecticut
	Padilla Retires Following Successful 5th Title Defense		8/7/04	Diego Corrales TKO 10 Acelino Freitas	Connecticut
6/7/93	Zack Padilla UD 12 Carlos González	Nevada	1/3/04	Acelino Freitas UD 12 Artur Grigorian	Connecticut
6/30/92	Carlos González TKO 2 Jimmy Paul	California	4/13/96	Artur Grigorian KO 12 Antonio Rivera	Germany
9/12/92	Camacho Vacates Title to Challenge WBC Titlist Julio César Chavez			De La Hoya vacates Title to move up to Junior Welterweight Division	
5/18/91	Hector Camacho SD 12 Greg Haugen	Nevada	5/6/95	Oscar De La Hoya TKO 2 Rafael Ruelas	Nevada
	Greg Haugen stripped of Title for Failure to Pass Drug Test		7/29/94	Oscar De La Hoya KO 2 Jorge Páez	Nevada
2/23/91	Greg Haugen SD 12 Hector Camacho	Nevada		Parisi Vacates Title Moving Up to the Junior Welterweight Division	
3/6/89	Héctor Camacho SD 12 Ray Mancini	Nevada	9/25/92	Giovanni Parisi TKO 10 Javier Altamirano	Italy
				Thobela Vacates Title to Defeat Tony Lopez for WBA Title	
	LIGHTWEIGHT		9/22/90	Dingaana Thobela SD 12 Mauricio Aceves	Texas
4/14/12	Ricky Burns became champion		5/6/89	Mauricio Aceves UD 12 Amancio Castro	California
4/14/12	Juan Manuel Marquez moved to the Jr. Welterweight division		1/20/89	Amancio Castro D Mauricio Aceves	Colombia
11/5/11	Ricky Burns UD 12 Michael Katsidis/ Interim title	England		JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHT	
Aug-11	Robert Guerrero vacated title due an injury		7/21/12	Adrien Broner lost his title on the scale/moved to the Lightweight division	
4/9/11	Robert Guerrero UD12 Michael Katsidis Interim title	Nevada	11/26/11	Adrien Broner KO 3 Vicente Martin Rodriguez for the vacant title	Ohio, USA
11/27/10	Juan Manuel Marquez TKO 9 Michael Katsidis WBO title	Nevada	Sept. 2011	Ricky Burns vacated his title, move to Lightweight division	
3/5/09	Juan Manuel Marquez became Super Champion		9/4/10	Ricky Burns UD 12 Roman Martinez	Scotland/UK
9/19/09	Michael Katsidis SD 12 Vicente Escobedo Interim title	Las Vegas,NV/ USA	3/14/09	Roman Martinez TKO 4 Nicky Cook	England
2/28/09	Juan Manuel Marquez TKO 9 Juan Diaz for the vacate title	Texas	9/6/08	Nicky Cook UD 12 Alex Arthur	United Kingdom
2/14/09	Nate Campbell lost his title in the scale	Florida	5/12/08	Joan Guzman relinquishes title due to personal reasons	
Apr-08	Casamayor relinquishes title by refusing to fight		5/12/08	Interim Champion Alex Arthur becomes Champion	
3/22/08	Joel Casamayor TKO 10 Interim Michael Katsidis	California	7/21/07	Alex Arthur TKO 10 Koba Gogoladze	Wales
				Interim Title	
			9/16/06	Joan Guzman SD 12 Jorge Barrios	Nevada
			4/8/05	Jorge Barrios TKO 4 Mike Anchondo	Florida
			7/15/04	Mike Anchondo UD 12 Julio P. Chacón	Texas
				Vacant Title/Corrales Move Up to 135 To Face Acelino Freitas	



3/6/04	Diego Corrales SD 12 Joel Casamayor	Connecticut
4/9/03	Freitas Vacates Title/Moves to Lightweight	
	Title after fighting Jorge Barrios & 10 Successful Defenses	
1/12/02	Acelino Freitas UD 12 Joel Casamayor	Nevada
	WBO/WBA Unification Title	
8/7/99	Acelino Freitas KO 1 Anatoly Alexandrov	France
5/16/98	Anatoly Alexandrov MD 12 Julien Lorcy	France
12/19/97	Barry Jones UD 12 Wilson Palacio	England
	Vacant title	
10/4/97	Julien Lorcy D 12 Arnulfo Castillo	France
3/11/97	Julien Lorcy D 12 Arnulfo Castillo	
	Title Remains Vacant/12 Round Draw	
9/6/96	Regilio Turr announces retirement	
9/24/94	Regilio Turr KO1 Jose Vida Ramos	Atlantic City
	Regilio Turr UD 12 Eugene Speed	Netherlands
	De La Hoya Vacates Title to Fight For Lightweight Crown	
3/5/94	Oscar De La Hoya TKO 10 Jimmy Bredahl	California
9/4/92	Jimmy Bredahl MD 12 Daniel Londas	Denmark
3/21/92	Daniel Londas SD 12 Kamel Bou Ali	Italy
12/12/89	Kamel Bou Ali KO 8 Antonio Rivera	Italy
	Vacant title	
4/29/89	John John Molina UD 12 Juan La Porte	Puerto Rico
	Relinquishes Title for Successful IBF Title Win over Tony López	
	FEATHERWEIGHT	
4/16/11	Orlando Salido TKO 8 Juan Manuel Lopez	Puerto Rico
1/23/10	Juan Manuel Lopez TKO 7 Steven Luevano	New York/ USA
7/14/07	Steven Luevano KO 11 Nicky Cook	England
	Vacant Title	
Jan-07	Juan Manuel Márquez Vacates Title To Fight for WBC Title	
12/6/06	Scott Harrison Vacates Title	
	Juan Manuel Márquez Receives Title	
8/5/06	Juan Manuel Márquez KO 7 Terdsak Jandaeng	Nevada
	Interim Title	
11/29/03	Scott Harrison TKO 11 Manuel Medina	Scotland
7/12/03	Manuel Medina SD 12 Scott Harrison	Scotland
10/19/02	Scott Harrison UD 12 Julio Pablo Chacón	Scotland
	WBO title	
6/8/02	Scott Harrison TKO 6 Victor Santiago	England
	Interim Title	



6/16/01	Julio Pablo Chacón TKO 6 István Kovács	Hungary
1/27/01	István Kovács TKO 12 Antonio Díaz	Germany
	Vacant Title	
10/1/00	Hamed Vacates Title After 15 Defenses	
9/30/95	Naseem Hamed TKO 8 Steve Robinson	Wales
4/17/93	Steve Robinson UD 12 John Davison	England
	Vacant Title	
9/26/92	Rubén Palacios TKO 8 Colin McMillan	England
	Rubén Vacates Title after Failing HIV Test	
5/16/92	Colin McMillan UD 12 Maurizio Stecca	England
1/26/91	Maurizio Stecca TKO 5 Armando Reyes	Italy
	Vacant Title	
9/22/90	Páez Vacates Title to Fight Tony López	
	IBF Jr. Lightweight Title	
4/7/90	Jorge Páez W12 Louis Espinoza	Nevada
11/11/89	Louie Espinoza TKO 7 Maurizio Stecca	Italy
1/28/89	Maurizio Stecca TKO 6 Pedro Nolasco	Italy
	JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHT	
2/4/12	Nonito Donaire SD 12 Wilfredo Vazquez, Jr./Vacant title	Texas, USA
11/26/11	Jorge Arce moved back to the Bantamweight division	
5/7/11	Jorge Arce TKO 12 Wilfredo Vazquez, Jr.	Nevada
2/27/10	Wilfredo Vazquez, Jr. KO 4 Marvin Sonsona/ Vacant title	Bayamón, Puerto Rico
1/1/10	Juan Manuel Lopez move to Featherweight division	
6/7/08	Juan Manuel Lopez TKO 1 Daniel Ponce De Leon	New Jersey
10/29/05	Daniel Ponce De León UD 12 Sod Looknongyantoy	Arizona
8/26/05	Joan Guzmán Vacates Title	
8/17/02	Joan Guzmán KO 3 Fabio Oliva	Wales
	Vacant Title	

8/15/02	Sanchez Stripped After Failing Pre-Fight Medical Exam	
6/23/01	Agapito Sánchez KO 7 Jorge Pabón Monsalvo	Nevada
	Barrera Vacates Title to Fight Naseem Hamed	
	Featherweight Division	
2/19/00	Marco Antonio Barrera L 12 Eric Morales	Nevada
	For the WBO/WBC Title, but Morales Relinquishes to Move Up in Weight	
6/17/00	Marco Antonio Barrera KO1 L.C. Freitas	México
	Vacant Title/Relinquishes Title	
10/31/98	Marco Antonio Barrera TKO 4 Richie Wenton	New Jersey
	McKinney Vacates Title to Fight Featherweight Division	
12/19/97	Kennedy McKinney TKO 4 Junior Jones	New York
11/22/96	Junior Jones WDQ5 Marco Antonio Barrera	Florida
3/31/95	Marco Antonio Barrera UD 12 Daniel Jiménez	California
6/9/93	Daniel Jiménez MD 12 Duke McKenzie	England
10/15/92	Duke McKenzie UD 12 Jesse Benavides	England
5/24/91	Jesse Benavides UD 12 Orlando Fernández	Texas
5/12/90	Orlando Fernández TKO 10 Valerio Nati	Italy
12/9/89	Valerio Nati WDQ 4 Kenny Mitchell	Italy
4/29/89	Kenny Mitchell UD 12 Julio Gervacio	Puerto Rico
	BANTAMWEIGHT	
6/10/12	Jorge Arce vacant his title	
11/26/11	Jorge Arce UD 12 Angky Angkota for the Vacant title	
11/10/11	Nonito Donaire moved to the Jr. Featherweight division	
2/19/11	Nonito Donaire TKO 2 Fernando Montiel	Nevada
9/17/10	Eric Morel relinquished WBO Interim Title	



5/31/10	Fernando Montiel recognized as a Super Champion	
2/13/10	Eric Morel SD 12 Gerry Peñalosa/ Interim title	Las Vegas, NV/USA
4/25/09	Gerry Peñalosa relinquished his title to move up to Jr. Featherweight	
3/28/09	Fernando Montiel KO Diego Silva for the Interim title	
8/11/07	Gerry Peñalosa KO 7 Jhonny González	California
10/10/05	Jhonny González TKO 7 Ratanachai Sor Vorapin	Arizona
5/7/04	Ratanachai Sor Vorapin UD 12 Cruz Carbajal	Thailand
3/15/02	Cruz Carbajal TKO 9 Mauricio Martinez	Mexico
9/4/02	Mauricio Martinez KO 5 Lester Fuentes	England
6/1/00	Tapia Unable to Make Bantam Division Weight	
	Voluntarily Vacates Title	
1/8/00	Johnny Tapia UD 12 Jorge Eliecer Julio	New Mexico
7/28/97	Jorge Eliecer Julio SD 12 Oscar Maldonado	California
	Title Declared Vacant Due to Reagan's Inactivity	
4/26/96	Robbie Reagan UD 12 Daniel Jimenez	England
10/21/95	Daniel Jiménez UD 12 Alfred Kotey	England
7/30/94	Alfred Kotey UD 12 Rafael Del Valle	England
5/13/92	Rafael Del Valle TKO 1 Duke McKenzie	England
6/30/91	Duke McKenzie UD 12 Gaby Canizález	England
3/12/91	Gaby Canizález KO 2 Miguel Lora Contreras Vacates Title after 3 Defenses to	Michigan
	Defeat WBA champion Luisito Espinoza	
2/24/89	Israel Contreras KO 1 Maurizio Lupino	Venezuela
	JUNIOR BANTAMWEIGHT	
5/15/10	Omar Narvaez UD 12 Everth Briceño	Argentina
Apr-10	Jorge Arce relinquished his title to move up as a #1 at the Bantamweight	
1/30/10	Jorge Arce TD 7 Angky Angkota/ Vacant title	Mexico
11/21/09	Marvin Sonsona lost his title at the weight in	Ontario, Canada
9/4/09	Marvin Sonsona UD 12 Jose Lopez	Ontario, Canada
3/28/09	José "Carita" López UD 12 Pramwansak Posuwan for the vacant title	Puerto Rico
3/28/09	Fernando vacant his title to move to Bantamweight	
4/9/05	Fernando Montiel KO 7 Iván Hernández	Texas
9/25/04	Iván Hernández KO 8 Mark Johnson	Memphis



8/16/03	Mark Johnson MD 12 Fernando Montiel	Connecticut	5/14/09	Omar Andrés Narváez recognized as a Super Champion	
6/22/02	Fernando Montiel TKO 6 Pedro Alcázar	Nevada	7/13/02	Omar Andrés Narváez UD 12 Adonis Rivas	Argentina
6/16/01	Pedro Alcázar SD 12 Adonis Rivas	Panamá	5/4/02	Adonis Rivas MD 12 Jair Jiménez	Nicaragua
11/20/99	Adonis Rivas UD 12 Diego Morales	Nevada	2001	Montiel Vacates Title to Fight for Junior Bantamweight Division	
6/7/99	Diego Morales RTD 11 Victor Hugo Godoy	México	12/15/00	Fernando Montiel TKO 7 Isidro García	Mexico
1998	Tapia moves up to Bantamweight after 12 Defenses		12/18/99	Isidro García UD 12 José López	California
11/7/98	Victor H. Godoy SD 12 Pedro Morquecho	Argentina	4/23/99	José Antonio López Bueno TKO 3 Rubén Sánchez	Spain
	For Vacant Title		8/14/98	Rubén Sánchez TKO 8 Carlos Salazar	México
10/12/94	Johnny Tapia TKO 11 Henry Martínez	New Mexico	12/13/96	Carlos Salazar TKO 10 Alberto Jiménez	Argentina
	Vacant Title		2/11/95	Alberto Jiménez TKO 8 Jacob Matlala	South Africa
Aug-94	Bredahl Vacates Title after 3 Defenses Moves Up to Bantamweight Division		5/15/93	Jacob Matlala TKO 8 Pat Clinton	Scotland
9/4/92	Johnny Bredahl UD 12 José Quirino	Denmark	3/18/92	Pat Clinton SD 12 Isidro Pérez	Scotland
2/22/92	José Quirino UD 12 José Ruíz	Nevada	8/18/90	Isidro Pérez TKO12 Ángel Rosario	Puerto Rico
4/29/89	José Ruíz UD 12 Sugar Baby Rojas	Puerto Rico	3/3/89	Álvarez Vacates to Fight for WBA Title	
				Elvis Álvarez UD 12 Miguel Mercedes	Colombia
	FLYWEIGHT				
7/16/11	Brian Viloría UD 12 Julio Cesar Miranda	Hawaii, USA			
6/12/10	Julio Cesar Miranda TKO 5 Richie Mepranum/ Vacant title	Mexico	10/8/11	Donnie Nietes UD 12 Ramon Garcia Hirales	Philippines
May-10	Omar Narváez vacated title to move to Jr. Bantamweight division		4/30/11	Ramón García Hirales KO 4 Jesus Geles WBO Title	Mexico
			4/1/11	Giovanni Segura relinquishes title and move to 112 lbs.	

2/5/11	Jesus Geles SD 12 Ramón García Champion	Colombia
12/1/11	Giovanni Segura reinstates as WBO Champion due to a misunderstanding	
	Ramón García Hiraes and Jesus Geles becames Interim Champion	
10/30/10	Jesus Geles MD 12 Omar Soto Interim	Colombia
10/8/10	Ramón García Hiraes becomes champion	Mexico
10/7/10	Giovanni Segura relinquishes title	Mexico
8/28/10	Giovanni Segura KO 8 Ivan Calderon Unification title	Puerto Rico
7/24/10	Ramon García Hiraes SD 12 Johnriel Casimero Interim title	Mexico
12/19/09	Johnriel Casimero TKO Cesar Canchila Interim title	Nicaragua
8/25/07	Iván Calderón SD 12 Hugo Cazares	Puerto Rico
4/30/05	Hugo Cazares TD 10 Nelson Dieppa	Puerto Rico
3/20/04	Nelson Dieppa KO 1 Kermin Guardia	Puerto Rico
7/11/03	Kermin Guardia UD 12 John Alberto Molina	Colombia
	Interim title-due to inactivity of the champion	
4/14/01	Nelson Dieppa KO 11 Andy Tabanas	New York
8/1/00	Grisby is Stripped of Title/Failed 2 Drug Tests	
	Following His Dieppa Victory	
7/22/00	Will Grisby ND 12 Nelson Dieppa	Florida
	Makepula Vacates Title	
2/19/00	Masibuelele Makepula UD 12 Jacob Matlala	South Africa
	Carbajal retires	
7/31/99	Michael Carbajal TKO 11 Jorge Arce	Mexico
12/5/98	Jorge Arce UD 12 Juan Domingo Córdoba	Argentina
1/17/98	Juan Domingo Córdoba UD 12 Melchor Cob Castro Argentina	
8/25/97	Melchor Cob Castro UD 12 Jesús Chong	California
5/31/97	Jesús Chong TKO 2 Eric Griffin	Nevada
	Matlala Vacates Title	
11/18/95	Jacob Matlala TD5 Paul Weir	Scotland
11/23/94	Paul Weir UD12 Paul Oulden	Scotland
	Carbajal Vacates Title	
7/15/94	Michael Carbajal UD 12 Josué Camacho	Arizona
7/31/92	Josué Camacho KO 6 Eduardo Vallejo	Puerto Rico
3/1/92	Title Declared Vacant/De Jesús Non- Compliance	
	Mandatory Commitment	
5/19/89	José De Jesús TD 9 Fernando Martínez	Puerto Rico*
	MINI-FLYWEIGHT	
8/27/11	Moises Fuentes SD 12 Raul Garcia	Mexico
2/24/11	Raul Garcia became WBO Champion	



2/23/11	Donnie Nietes relinquished the title to move up one division	
10/30/10	Raúl García SD 12 Luis De la Rosa Interim Title	Colombia
9/12/09	Donnie Nietes SD 12 Interim Manuel Vargas	Mexico
12/6/08	Manuel Vargas KO 4 Daniel Reyes for the WBO Interim Title	Mexico
9/26/08	Daniel Reyes MD12 Luis Alberto Lazarte	Argentina
	For Interim Title	
9/30/07	Donnie Nietes UD12 Pornsawan Kratingdaengym	Philippines
Aug.2007	Title Vacated/Calderón Moves Up to 108 with Title Win	
9/12/06	Iván Calderón reconigzed as a Super Champion	
5/3/03	Iván Calderón TD 9 Eduardo Márquez	Connecticut
3/28/03	Eduardo Márquez KO 11 Jorge Mata	Spain
6/29/02	Jorge Mata KO9 Reynaldo Frutos	Spain
	Guardia Vacates Title	
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