

Dear Members

The next meeting is Wednesday November 14<sup>th</sup> 2007 at 700pm at **Lunetta's Restaurant**. The address is 1274 Hertel Ave. Buffalo NY.14216-2708. That is on the north side of Hertel Ave one block west of Colvin. The Phone number is (716) 8873-7230. My home phone is (716) 856-9365. Lunetta's does meet with the approval of the group and is our new meeting place. We are also grateful to the staff and management of Frank's Sunny Italy for their great service and accommodating talents in maintaining a quality profile as our host for the duration of time that we have been serviced by them.

Members present at October's meeting

Mark Irwin	Dick Wipperman	Paul Wielopolski	Charlie Ferraro	
John Rovnak	Bob Caico	Jerry Collins	Joe Cardina	Jack Green
John Christiano	Lee Batchelor	Jim Brown	Stan Fitzgerald	Dick Topinko
John McCarthy	Mike McCarthy	John Tedesco	Tom Stenhouse	
Dan Muscato	Lou Muscato			

There is much activity to report on in the boxing community. Joe Mesi is still successfully on par in his pursuit of the heavyweight title. It took two minutes 51 seconds into the first round for him to knock out Shannon Miller to win the USNBC title in front of a sell-out crowd at Twin River Events Center. Joe dedicated the fight to injured Buffalo Bills tight end Kevin Everett and sported Everett's home jersey as he stepped into the ring for his debut with his new promoter, CES president Jimmy Burchfield. Congratulations Joe and continued best wishes for your success.

Ring 44 and the boxing community showed tremendous support for the Muscato family who was inducted in the Greater Buffalo Sports Hall of Fame. It was a great experience and well deserved. Also Rocky Kansas and Tavi Asarese were honored as well. The officers and many members attended the ceremony and were greatly rewarded with a tremendous acceptance speech by Dan Muscato. Dan covered the role that boxing plays in our community both past and present. He truly left a positive impression and quite literally educated and surprised his peers at the dais as well as those in the audience.

The Rochester Boxing Hall of Fame proudly included Mark Irwin in its list of inductees on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. We at Ring 44 are very proud of both of our fellow members namely Dan and Louie Muscato and Mark Irwin. We also were well represented by the officers and membership at the Rochester affair and Mark Irwin also was very impactful and enlightening in his acceptance speech. It is great to see such deserving people receive the reward of recognition by their peers, namely outstanding achievers from all sports and all walks of life. Again sincerest congratulations to all.

Jimmy Ralston (716) 896-5390 is hosting another great amateur show at the Leonard Post 6251 VFW at 2450 Walden Ave. Cheektowaga (716) 684-4371 on

December 8<sup>th</sup>. For more information of for tickets call Jimmy or myself at (716) 856-9365. Jimmy's last show was a smashing success. As always it is a great time and I thoroughly enjoy seeing everybody. The support is great.

Also I am happy to report that Don Patterson will once again host the Niagara District U.S. Championship box-offs. The bouts are scheduled for December 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> at McKinley H.S. in Buffalo. Boxers have until November 30<sup>th</sup> to fill out application for the advancement tournament. Contact Don at the Northwest community Center at (716) 400-9697 or go to the website of Diaab.com. I am thrilled that I have been asked to ring announce at all three events. It is always great to see everybody and to share in the fun as well as being a part promoting the outstanding success that these guys bring to the table in helping to mold the future of our youth. I have also been told that Ray Casal is planning a show in the near future and anyone who has attended anyone of his shows knows how great his presentations are. Looks like amateur and pro boxing is continuing to set tremendous standards of entertainment and growth in our area. And as always it is a real pleasure and honor to be a part of this and by all means "Keep Punchin"

Sincerely yours

Jack Green President