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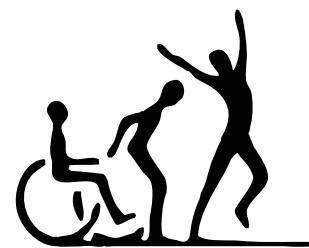
ANDY SACKS GOLF TOURNAMENT - May 21, 2007 (Monday)
MountainGate Country Club (Bel Air)

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PARTY - April 21, 2007 (Saturday)
Gladstone's Long Beach. RSVP to Amanda 323-663-6554

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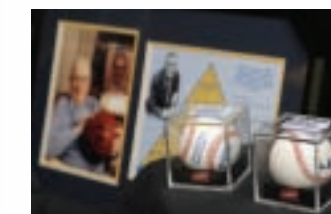
"The cure is just a step away.."

The 2007 Sports Legends Awards Dinner



Left to right; Back row: Vin Scully (2007 John R. Wooden Lifetime Achievement Award), Catherine Lepone (PPA Executive Director), Tom Kelly (emcee), Cobi Jones (2007 Legend of Soccer), Diana Nyad (2007 Legend of Swimming), Dave Winfield (2007 Legend of Baseball), Gary Stevens (Legend of Horse Racing)
Front row: David Geffen (PPA President), Jesse Billauer (2007 Shoemaker Award for Media Awareness)

Close to 500 people packed the ballroom at the downtown Los Angeles Omni Hotel to honor the 2007 Sports Legends Awards Recipients on February 24. The evening began with a spirited live auction presided over by Eric Tracy (see photos inside). The formal part of the program began with Stephanie Burkett Gerson performing the National Anthem to an awe inspired audience. The awards began with Tom Kelly presenting the honorees which read as a "Who's Who" of professional sports. The acceptance speeches were moving and very much to the point as honoree after honoree spoke of their personal connection to the cause of paralysis research and their gratitude at being able to contribute.



The event was made even more financially successful through the efforts of the Silent Auction Committee, headed up by Lois Ungar.

Many former honorees were in attendance, including Laffit Pincay, Jr., Bill Sharman, and Pepper Davis.



The PARALYSIS PROJECT OF AMERICA

An Evening to Remember at the Sixteenth Annual Sports Legends Awards Dinner



Vin Scully grants an interview prior to the dinner.



Dave Winfield poses with long time PPA friends, Betsy Berkhemer-Credaire and her husband Chris.



Bill Sharman, Tom Kelly and Vin Scully swap stories in the Green Room.



Eric Tracy auctions tickets to the Indy 500 Andy Granatelli style! Ken Kay (pictured) was the generous and lucky winner.



Dave Winfield accepts his award from Tom Kelly.



Sports Council Member and Legend of Horse Racing, Gary Stevens accepts the Sports Legend Award for jockey Ron Turcotte.



Diana Nyad speaks with dinner guests at the conclusion of the evening.



Dave Winfield, Cobi Jones, PPA Executive Director Catherine Lepone, Diana Nyad, Vin Scully and Jesse Billauer get acquainted during the reception.



Tom Kelly (voice of USC athletics) emcees the 2007 Sports Legends Awards Dinner.



Cobi Jones graciously signs autographs for young fans.



Legend of Baseball, Pepper Davis, visits with Vin Scully.



Stephanie Burkett Gerson wows the audience with her stirring rendition of the Star Spangled Banner.



Dr. Sammy Lee (Sports Legend of Diving) and his lovely wife, Roz, enjoy the dinner before the show starts.



Diana Nyad and Tom Kelly as Diana accepts her Sports Legend Award for Swimming.



Jesse Billauer moves and inspires the audience as he accepts the 2007 Shoemaker Award for Media Awareness.