

The PARALYSIS PROJECT OF AMERICA

THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SPORTS LEGENDS AWARDS
2009 FACT SHEET

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DATE & TIME

Saturday, March 14, 2009
5:45 PM-Reception-Silent Auction
7:00 PM- Dinner
8:00 PM- Program
Business Attire

PLACE

The Omni Hotel
251 South Olive Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(Downtown Los Angeles)

2009 MASTER OF CEREMONIES

TBA

2009 SPORTS LEGENDS HONOREES

Jerry Lucas – Basketball
+ Others TBA

THE JOHN R. WOODEN LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

TBA

2009 SHOEMAKER AWARD

TBA

FORMAT

Hall of Fame/World Class athletes are presented and honored for their contributions to sports. There is a multimedia program with archival film footage shown of each Sport Legend Honoree and other award winners. The acclaimed program is produced by John Leverage, Vice President of the Emmy Awards at the T.V. Academy of Arts and Science.

There is a silent auction which features rare sport and non-sport items. Many past honorees are in attendance as well as the Sports Legends Council Executive Committee. *Guests are encouraged to mingle with all current and former legends for autograph opportunities.*

BENEFICIARY

The net proceeds benefit the Paralysis Project of America. The Project was founded by the parents of young people paralyzed by spinal cord injury, along with others dedicated to finding the ultimate cure for paralysis. To accomplish its mission, we fund carefully selected scientific research grants designed to accelerate cures for paralysis.

The Paralysis Project is in full compliance with section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Service. All donations are tax-deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

Our Federal Tax I. D. number is 94-3039084.

SPORTS LEGENDS AWARD RECIPIENTS

1992

Elgin Baylor
Marcel Dionne
Don Drysdale
A.J. Foyt
John Naber
Ken Norton
Coach John Wooden
The Fearsome Foursome
(Rosey Grier, Merlin Olsen, Lamar Lundy,
Deacon Jones)

1993

Ann Meyers-Drysdale
Mark Spitz
Rafer Johnson
David Kiley
Walter Bahr
Bill Sharman
Pepper Davis
Jack Youngblood
Don Newcombe
Rogie Vachon

1994

Jim Plunkett
Cathy Rigby
Jamaal Wilkes
Cheryl Miller
Maury Wills
Evelyn Ashford
Jim Knaub
Charlie Simmer

1995

Steve Yeager
Dave Taylor
Dr. Sammy Lee
Tracy Austin
Gene Fullmer
Joe Kapp
James Worthy

1996

Ron Cey
Amy Alcott
Bill Shoemaker
Kurt Rambis
Pat McCormick
Butch Goring
Art Aragon
Parnelli Jones

1997

Laffit Pincay, Jr.
Mike Garrett
Janet Evans
Bob Seagren
Larry Robinson
Duke Snider

1998

Larry Doby
Craig Stadler
Dot Richardson
Rick Barry
Dennis Conner
Johnny Longden

1999

Fred Biletnikoff
Kent Desormeaux
Cammi Granato
Harmon Killebrew
Bobby Rahal
George Yardley

2000

Sparky Anderson
Phil Esposito
Jackie Joyner-Kersey
Chris McCarron

2001

Yogi Berra
Julie Krone
Billy Casper
Danny Sullivan
Ken Stabler
Jim Hill

2002

Al Unser
Al Michaels
Earl "The Pearl" Monroe
Tommy Davis
Lisa Leslie
Lisa Fernandez
Gary Stevens

2003

Mario Andretti
Greg LeMond
Rod Carew
Richard Dent
Mike Smith
Tony Trabert

2004

Bobby Unser
 Kathy Whitworth
 Joe Morgan
 Stan Smith

Donna de Varona
 Alex Solis
 Willie Davis
 Nadia Comaneci

2005

Andy Granatelli
 Earlie Fires
 Eric Dickerson
 Fred Roggin
 Bob Mathias

2007

Cobi Jones
 Diana Nyad
 Ron Turcotte
 Dave Winfield

2006

Bart Conner
 Karch Kiraly

2008

Jose Santos
 Ray "Boom Boom" Mancini
 Luc Robitaille

THE JOHN R. WOODEN LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Presented by the legendary UCLA coach who insisted that the sport is just not a game, but a key process of maturation. Given for sports achievements and accomplishments, which go beyond the athletic field.

1993 Roy Campanella
 1994 Dr. Jerry Buss
 1995 Tommy Lasorda
 1996 Alan Rothenberg
 1997 Chick Hearn
 1998 Roy Firestone
 1999 American Youth Soccer
 Little League Baseball
 Pop Warner Football

2000 Anita De Frantz
 2001 Not Presented
 2002 Jack Kramer
 2003 Not Presented
 2004 Rod Dedeaux
 2005 Bill Sharman
 2006 John Stockton
 2007 Vin Scully
 2008 Kevin Johnson

THE "SHOE" MEDIA AWARENESS AWARD

Named for Jockey Bill "The Shoe" Shoemaker to a person or entity for their efforts in raising disability awareness. The recipient is nominated by a Sports or Business Council member.

1997 Julie Alban
 1998 HBO
 2000 Dr. Jose Sulaiman
 2002 "Swim with Mike" Mike Nyeholt and Ron Orr
 2003 Sam Schmidt
 2004 Mike Utley
 2005 Don & Roman Reed
 2006 Bob Babbitt
 2007 Jesse Billauer
 2008 David Bailey