

## **Aquino-Evans Headline Feb. 18 Card in Middletown, CT**

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### **Hard Hittin' Promotions Presents Feb. 18 Aquino-Evans Title Clash**

MIDDLETOWN, Conn. (January 28, 2012) - Love will be scarce when Meriden's Danny Aquino and Coy Evans of Philadelphia get it on in a post-Valentine's Day affair, topping Hard Hittin' Promotions' six-fight extravaganza February 18 at the Lion's Den in Middletown, Conn.

The eight-round headliner, presented by promoter Jacqui Cartelli, is for the UNBC super bantamweight title, pitting Aquino (9-1, 4 KOs) against the swift-fisted Evans (10-0-1, 2 KOs), who looks to keep his unblemished resume intact against one of Connecticut's fastest-rising prospects. The 22-year-old Aquino is riding a four-fight winning spree, last toppling Jason Rorie over four rounds on Dec. 16, while Evans last pitched a six-round shutout over Felipe Almanza last January.

Date night continues with the undefeated Edwin Soto (7-0-2, 3 KOs), the rangy New Haven welterweight, who squares off with power-punching William Correa (8-5, 8 KOs) of Yauco, Puerto Rico in a scheduled 6-round co-feature.

Luis Rosa, the popular super bantamweight from New Haven, puts perfection on the line against the dangerous Jason Rorie (6-15-2, 3 KOs) of Winston-Salem, N.C. Rosa (9-0, 5 KOs) dominated Harvey Murray in October with a lopsided decision victory at Foxwoods Casino.

In a four-round battle, Stamford light heavyweight Ahmad Mickens (1-1-1, 0 KOs) looks to rebound from a September setback with a showdown with Worcester, Mass. slugger Scott Domenech (1-1, 0 KOs).

Meanwhile, New Haven lightweight Oscar Bonilla (1-0, 0 KOs) plans to punctuate on his debut triumph over Corey White last June in a four-round bout with Ivan Hernandez (0-1, 0 KOs) of Buffalo, N.Y.

The card will also showcase unbeaten Kevin Cobbs (2-0, 1 KOs), also known as "The Vermont Bully," in a four-round cruiserweight test with an opponent TBA.

Doors open at 6 p.m. with the first bout scheduled for a 7 p.m. start. Tickets for the event, which are priced at \$75 (ringside) and \$35 (general admission), can be obtained by contacting The Lion's Den at [\(860\) 613-2394](tel:8606132394) or Davbe DeSanto at [\(203\) 530-5328](tel:2035305328).

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Ahmad Mickens (1-1-1, 0 KOs) Stamford, Conn. vs. Scott Domenech (1-1, 0 KOs), Worcester, Mass., light heavyweights, 4 rounds

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Kevin Cobbs (2-0, 1 KO) Burlington, VT vs. TBA, cruiserweights, 4 rounds