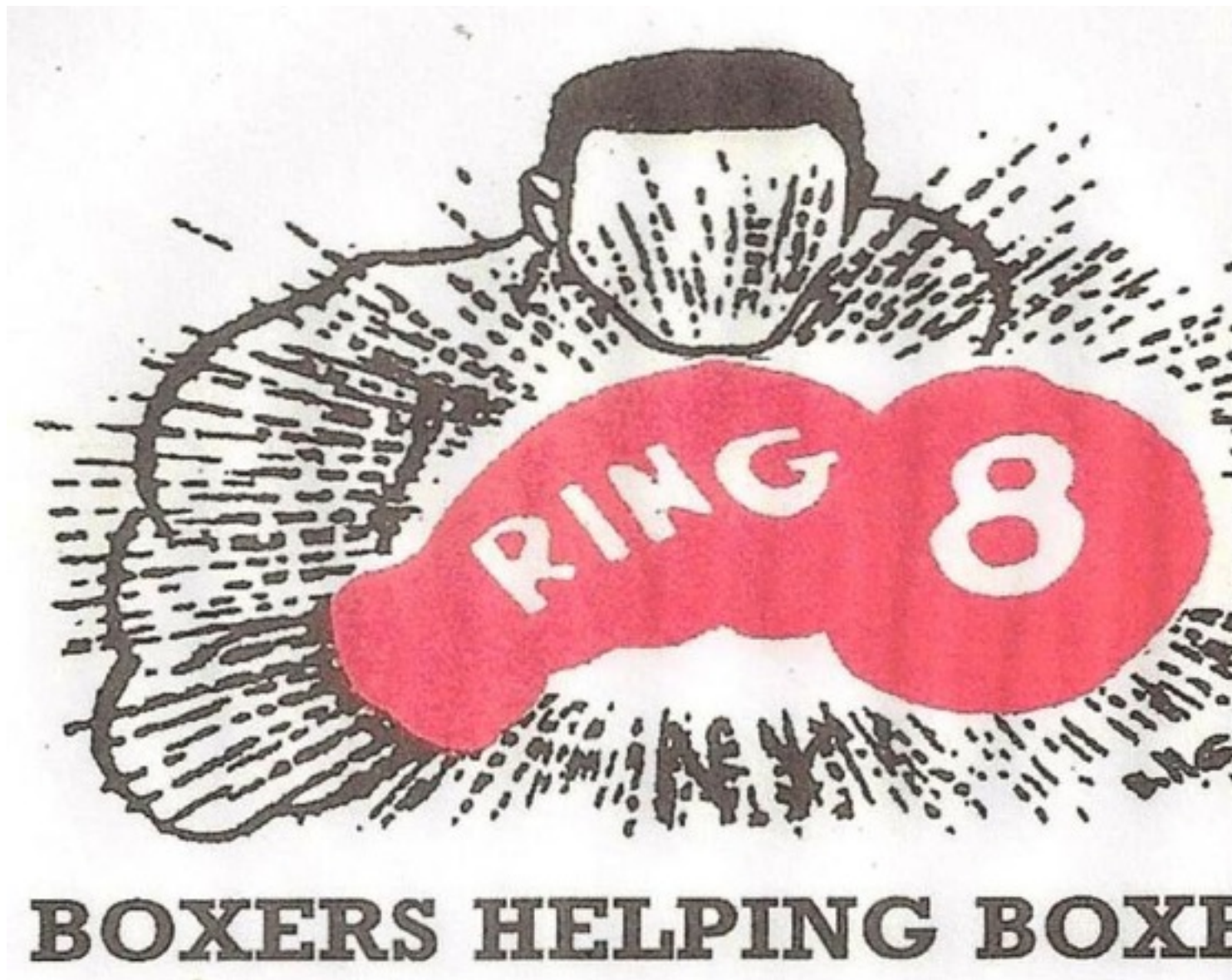


Ring 8 (NY) Award Gala Is Sunday: Snooki Will Be There!

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NEW YORK, NY (Feb. 5 2013) - The **26th annual RING 8 Holiday Event and Awards Ceremony** will be held this Sunday afternoon (12:00-5:00 p.m. ET) at Russo's On The Bay in Howard Beach, New York.

Damage from Hurricane Sandy to Russo's On The Bay forced the event's postponement from December 9 to February 10.

New boxing promoter and television reality star, **Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi**, will be in attendance along with one of the fighters she promotes, world title challenger **Patrick Hyland**

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"Nicole is a new promoter who wants to show her support for boxing and Ring 8," Ring 8 president **Bob Duffy** said. "Nicole had to reschedule a few things to be with us but she did because she really cares about boxing and what happens to boxers after they retire. We're grateful for her support as well as the many others who are giving their time to support our annual event. We have eight world champions attending and many other boxing dignitaries."

Popular ring announcer **Dave Diamante** will serve as Master of Ceremonies.

Ring 8 previously announced its 2012 award winners (see full list below), including new World Boxing Association middleweight champion Peter "Kid Chocolate" Quillin (Fighter of the Year) and Joe Calzaghe (Fighter of the Decade).

Lifetime Achievement Award winner Bernard Hopkins is unable to attend as originally scheduled due to training for his March 9th fight against International Boxing Federation light heavyweight champion **Tavoris Cloud** at Barclays Center in Brooklyn. Hopkins indicated that he would attend a future Ring 8 monthly meeting as a special guest to receive his award.

In addition to Quillin and Calzaghe, other world champion attendees include **Bobby Czyz, Iran Barkley**

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Vito Antuofermo

,
Mark Breland

,
Tracy Patterson, Jr.

and

Junior Jones

, as well as

Renaldo "Mister" Snipes

,
Tommy Gallagher

,
Vinny Maddalone

, 2008 U.S. Olympian

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, and many others.

2012 RING 8 Award Winners

Fighter of the Year: **Peter "Kid Chocolate" Quillin**

Fighter of the Decade: **Joe Calzaghe**

Man of the Year: **Frankie Russo, Jr.**

Uncrowned Champion: **David Sears**

Coach of the Year (FDNY): **Bob McGuire**

Lifetime Achievement Award: **Bernard Hopkins**

Official of the Year (Referee): **Eddie Claudio**

Official of the Year (Judge): **John Signorile**

Boxing Writer of the Year: **Michael Woods**

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Long & Meritorious Service: **Ron McNair**

Prospects of the Year: **Floriano Pagliara & Joe Smith**

Comeback of the Year: **Adam Willett**

Tickets, priced at \$125.00 per person, are still available to purchase by calling [1.718.729.4862](tel:1.718.729.4862), emailing

DepComish@aol.com

or mailing checks (payable to Ring 8) to

Tony Mazarella

, C/O Waterfront Crab House, 2-03 Borden Ave., Long Island, NY 11101. Donations of any denomination are welcome for those unable to attend the festivities.

Tickets include a complete brunch with cocktail hour upon entry, seating at the awards ceremony, dinner and dessert, and top-shelf open bar throughout the afternoon. There will also be a silent auction of boxing memorabilia. Boxing and sports memorabilia will be on display.

Go online to www.Ring8ny.com for more information about Ring 8 or its annual Holiday Events and Awards Ceremony.

Russo's On The Bay is located at 162-45 Crossbay Blvd. in Howard Beach ([718.843.5055](tel:718.843.5055)).

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deepwater says:

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Congrats woods. Buy John signorelli a drink and help snookie up when she falls .

the Roast says:

Aww come on Deep, Snooki is a mom now, She won't fall down.

Bernie Campbell says:

Who the fu ch invited Snooki to the party? Get her the fu ch out of my face with that stupid a** mug of hers!