NEW YORK, NY (Feb. 11, 2011) – Venerable boxing journalist and historian Bert Sugar will be the special guest speaker this coming Tuesday night (Feb. 15 starting at 7 PM/ET) for RING 8's monthly meeting at the historic Waterfront Crabhouse in Long Island City.

One of the most recognizable characters and foremost authorities in boxing, Sugar was elected to the International Boxing Hall of Fame in 2005. He has written more than 80 books, primarily about boxing, and Bert was called "The Greatest Boxing writer of the 20th century" by the International Veterans Boxing Association.

Sugar has been a RING 8 guest speaker several times and this meeting he will speak about boxing history, of course, as well as his new book, "The Ultimate Book of Boxing Lists," co-authored by last month's RING 8 guest speaker, Teddy Atlas.

"We're excited to have Bert back as a guest speaker," RING 8 spokesperson Tony Mazzarella said. "Bert has been in our corner for many years and that means a lot to each and every member. RING 8 has started a revitalization process through our newly elected president, Bob Duffy. Our goal is to increase membership and get more people involved. It's already working with more than 90 members present at our last meeting despite poor weather."

Formed in 1954 by an ex-prizefighter, Jack Grebelsky, RING 8 became the eighth subsidiary of what was then known as the National Veteran Boxers Association -- hence, RING "8" -- and today the organization's motto still remains: *Boxers Helping Boxers*.

RING 8 is genuinely dedicated to lending a helping hand to those in the boxing community who are less fortunate and may require assistance in terms of paying their rent, medical expenses, or whatever justifiable need.

Go on line to www.Ring8ny.com for more information about RING 8, the largest group of its kind in the United States with 350 members. Annual membership dues is only $25.00 and each member is entitled to a buffer dinner at RING 8 monthly meetings, the third Tuesday of every month, excluding July and August.

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