

Boxing For The World 5K Run a Success in Puerto Rico

Puerto Rico (July 30, 2018) – Last Sunday (July 22nd) in Caguas, Puerto Rico, Boxing For The World staged a 5K run, which served as a fundraiser for The Make A Wish Foundation of Puerto Rico facility . The facility (home) houses children with Cancer and other terminal illnesses. The facility sustained major damages due to Hurricane Maria .

The main sponsor was the WBC and their WBC Cares program.

No less than 20 of the greatest fighters in Puerto Rico took part in the walk such as:

Tito Trinidad, Juanma Lopez, Ivan “Iron Boy” Calderón, Orlando “El fenomeno” Cruz, Alex ” El Nene” Sanchez, Daniel “Pipino” Alicea, Daniel Santos, Victor “Luvy” Calleja, Josue Dickie Camacho, Nelson ” El Fuguete” Dieppa, Mac Williams, Angel ” La Abispa” Chacon, Samuel Serrano, Alfredo “El Salsero” Escalera, Angel “Cholo” Espada, Andy ” El Huracan” Agosto, Jesus Rojas, Manny Maldonado (olimpico), Aristides Gonzalez and John John Molina.

Also on hand was Trinidad’s mother, Dona Irma, who served over a 1000 bowls of her famous chicken broth.

Mercedes Simmons, who is a board member for Boxing For The World as well as the CEO of Pretty Girl Promotions was ecstatic about the turnout for the great event.

“We are so happy that the legends of Puerto Rico boxing came out to support this very important cause. The building is vital for those children in need, and we are on our way to rehabbing the facility after the terrible damage it sustained during the hurricane. The WBC really came through, and really was a huge help to this fundraiser.” said Simmons.

“WBC did a great thing. I informed them that Daniel Alicea’s WBC Continental belt and NABF belt were stolen from his house while he was undergoing chemotherapy. When I approached Mauricio Sulaiman and Jill Diamond from the WBC, without hesitation they agreed to redo the belts and also sponsor the 5k”

“The first edition of Boxing for the World 5k, a project of I am Working for the World Foundation exceeded our expectations,” said Abner DiSilva, President of I’m Working for the World Foundation. “For the first time in Puerto Rico’s history we were able to unite boxing legends under one roof for a great cause . These boxing icons changed their boxing gloves for sneakers and ran/walked to help those in need. This is the beginning of our new model, to maximize their reach to bring awareness to humanitarian needs not only in the island but in the entire world .

Everyone should do their part, not just with words but with actions. We’re grateful for overwhelming support and we hope more Athletes and people join our movement . We’ve already received calls inquiring about our next event and for that we are grateful.”

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Marathon Boxing for the World 5K Walk on Sunday, July 22 in Caguas, Puerto Rico.

Puerto Rico (May 23, 2018) – On Sunday, July 22, Marathon Boxing For The World will hold a 5K Walk in Caguas, Puerto Rico, a fundraiser for Make A Wish Foundation of Puerto Rico

facility . The facility (home) houses children with Cancer and other terminal illnesses , sustained major damages due to Hurricane Maria .

No less than 20 of the greatest fighters in Puerto Rico will participate in the walk such as:

1. Felix "Tito" Trinidad
2. Juanma Lopez
3. Felix Verdejo
4. Ivan Calderon
5. John John Molina
6. Daniel Santos
7. Alex "El Nene" Sanchez
8. Daniel "Pipino" Alicea
9. Andy Agosto
10. Eliezer "Waa" Gonzalez
11. Wilfredo Rivera
12. Carita Lopez
13. Luvy Callejas
14. Kiria Tapia
15. Tatiana Ortiz
16. Andy Agosto
17. Wilfredo "Bazooka" Gomez
18. Nelson Dieppa
19. McWilliams Arroyo
20. Tito Acosta
- 21 Hector Camacho jr

Mercedes Simmons, who is a board member for the Marathon Boxing World as well as the CEO of Pretty Girl Promotions is thrilled to have such an incredible outreach from the Puerto Rico boxing community.

"This will be a truly amazing event, and we are honored that the legends of Puerto Rico Boxing will help raise money for this most important cause," said Simmons.

Organization President Abner Perez

Vice President Andy Agosto indicated the champions have all gathered for this cause .

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Results from Charlotte, North Carolina

Charlotte, NC (May 21, 2018) – Results from last Thursday night's card at The Grady Cole Center in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Rosalinda Rodriguez (6-0, 2 KOs) captured the WIBA Bantamweight title with an 8th round stoppage over Ivana Coleman (1-10)

Santario Martin (4-3) won a six-round unanimous decision over Curtis Waller (1-6-1) in a light heavyweight bout. All three judges scored it 59-55

Andrew Stroud (4-0) won a six-round unanimous decision over Frank Gonzalez (3-1) in a super bantamweight bout. Scores were 58-55, 56-55 and 57-55

Willie Harvey (2-0-1, 2 KOs) won via 1st round stoppage at 1:53 over Mose Smith (0-3) in a heavyweoght.

Alexander Dedovets (5-1-2) won a six-round unanimous decision over over Alejandro Esquilin Santiago (0-3) in a heavyweight bout. All three judges scored it 60-54

Mathew Strode (25-6) won a six-round unanimous decision over Dennis Sharpe (17-26-4) in a middleweight bout. Scores were 60-54 twice and 59-55.

Francisco Vazquez Irizarry (3-0) won a four-round unanimous decision over Kevin Cooper (1-15) in a lightweight bout. All three judges 40-36

Tivan Young (1-0, 1 KO) won via 1st round TKO over Hakeem Atkinson (0-4) in a junior wltterweight bout. The time as 1:52.

Rosalinda Rodriguez and Ivana Coleman battle for WIBA International Bantamweight title this Thursday night at Grady Cole Center in Charlotte, North Carolina

Charlotte, NC (May 15, 2018) – This Thursday night undefeated Bantamweight, Rosalinda Rodriguez will take on Ivana Coleman in the main event of an eight-bout card at the Grady Cole Center in Charlotte, North Carolina.

The eight-round bout heads the card promoted by Pretty Girl Promotions.

Rodriguez, 31, of Miami Florida has a record of 5-0 with one knockout. The three-year professional is coming off winning the NABF Bantamweight title with a unanimous decision over Noemi Bosques on October 19, 2016 in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Coleman of Slidell, Louisiana is a 10 fight veteran, who will be facing her 10th undefeated opponent in 11 bouts.

She is coming off four round unanimous decision defeat to Jasmine Rtega on March 9th in Tampa, Florida.

Two special six-round co-main events have been ticketed for "Thursday Night Fights."

In a middleweight bout for the WBB Middleweight title, Santario Martin (3-3, 2 KOs) of Gainesville, Florida takes on Curtis Waller (1-5-1, 1 KO) of Tampa, Florida.

In a battle of undefeated bantamweights, Frank Gonzalez (3-0, 2 KOs) of Miami, Florida fights Andrew Strode (3-0, 1 KO) of Colorado.

In other six-round bouts, Matthew Strode (24-6, 9 KOs) of Greensboro, North Carolina battles Dennis Sharpe (17-25-4, 4 KOs) of Bayonne, New Jersey in a middleweight bout.

Alexander Debovits (4-1-2, 2 KOs) of Buffalo, New York battles Alejandro Esquilin Santiago (0-2) of Tampa, Florida in a heavyweight bout.

Francisco Vazquez Irizarry (2-0, 1 KO) of Ponce, Puerto Rico battles Kevin Cooper (1-14, 1 KO) of South Carolina in a lightweight bout.

In four-round bouts:

Tivan Young of North Carolina will make his pro debut against Hakeem Atkinson (0-3) of Jacksonville, Florida in a super lightweight bout.

Willie Harvey (1-0-1, 1 KO) of Plainfield, New Jersey fights Mose Smith (0-2) of Concord, North Carolina in a heavyweight bout.

Tickets are priced at \$75, \$50 and \$35 and can be purchased at www.prettygirlpromo.com

Combat Sports star Seini Draughn to make professional boxing debut on Friday, November 17th at Grady Cole Center in Charlotte, North Carolina

Charlotte, NC (November 8, 2017) – Combat sports star Seini Draughn will step into the ring on Friday, November 17th at The Grady Cole Center in Charlotte, North Carolina.

The show is promoted by Pretty Girl Promotions.

Draughn, who maybe better known as a professional wrestler Lei'D Tapa has appeared for TNA Impact Wrestling, Ohio Valley Wrestling, Global Force Wrestling and WWE Developmental territory NXT .

The native of Tampa, Florida via Tonga also has appeared in MMA fights in Japan, and is a 2-time IBJJF, 2-time Naga, and New Breed Champion.

Draughn's opponent in the four-round heavyweight main event will be Melissa Holmes (1-3) of Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Also scheduled to appear will be middleweight Santario Martin (3-2, 2 KOs) of Gainesville, Florida; bantamweight Frank Gonzalez (2-0) of Cuba; welterweight Jamaal Gregory (1-1, 1 K0) of Charlotte; heavyweight Willie Harvey (0-0-1) of Plainfield, New Jersey and many more bouts to be announced.

Tickets can be purchased at www.prettygirlpromo.com

Mercedes Vazquez-Simmons wins the prestigious Lo Mejor de lo Nuestro Award

Rochester, NY (August 29, 2017) – Promoter Mercedes Vazquez-Simmons is the recipient of the Lo Mejor de lo Nuestro Award.

The award, which is presented by the Ibero American Action League, is given to an individual who has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to both community and the community at large for her contributions, leadership skills and ability to work well with all individuals and groups in her hometown of Rochester, New York.

Ms, Simmons was recognized for her Pretty Girl Promotions, what it has meant to the city of Rochester and her ability to work with members of the community from various backgrounds and professions.

Receiving the award " Lo Mejor de Lo Nuestro" is quite an honor . We're honored and thankful,"said Vazquez-Simmons. "We at PrettyGirl Promotions believe community involvement is critical particularly our engagement with inner city youth." A quote we live by : "Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth."- Muhammad Ali

Simmons will receive her award at the 49th Annual luncheon on Thursday, October 12th at the Joseph A, Floreano Convention Center from 12-1:30 PM.

Rosalinda Rodriguez shines in Charlotte, NC

Charlotte, NC (October 24, 2016) -Undefeated bantamweight Rosalinda Rodriguez won the NABF Bantamweight title with an eight-round unanimous decision over Noemi Bosques in a bout that took place last Wednesday night at the Grady Cole Center in Charlotte, North Carolina.

The bout headlined a card promoted by Hall of Famer, Christy Martin and Pretty Girl Promotions' Mercedes Vazquez Simmons.

It was an exciting toe-to-toe fight that saw Rodriguez win every round and took home the decision by scores of 80-72 on all cards.

With the win, Rodriguez of Miami, stays perfect at 5-0 and now will receive a top-ten ranking.

The 30 year-old Rodriguez is trained by former world champion Ada Velez.

Also on the outstanding night of boxing, Quinton Rankin (12-3-1, 9 K0's) of Charlotte stopped Michael Wilmer (5-9-1) in the fifth round of their light heavyweight bout.

Larry Pryor (10-14) scored a mild upset when he took a six-round unanimous decision over Berry Butler (25-14-1) in a light heavyweight bout. Scores were 58-55 on all cards.

Middleweight prospect Radzhab Buteav (3-0) kept his perfect knockout streak alive as he stopped Johnathan Batista (16-10) at 2:01 of round four of their scheduled six-round bout.

Christian Camacho (5-1, 1 K0), the 24 year-old son of Hall of

Famer, the late Hector Camacho, notched his first stoppage victory as he needed just 71 seconds to take out Jovanni Said in a junior lightweight bout.

Cruiserweight Sam Crossed (5-0, 3 K0's) stopped Michael Tillery at 1:22 of round two of their scheduled four-round rumble.

Britain Hart made a successful pro debut as she stopped Crystal Sutton in the 2nd round of their featherweight bout.

Santario Martin (2-2, 1 K0) stopped Travis Davidson in the 2nd round of their light heavyweight bout.

Ruslan Shamalov made a successful pro debut by needing just a minute to stop big Schyuler Marshall in their heavyweight bout.

Christy Martin's Pink Promotions and Pretty Girl Promotions present a night of championship boxing on Wednesday, October, 19 at the Grady Cole Center in Charlotte, NC

Charlotte, NC (August 31, 2016) – Former world champion, Nevada Boxing Hall of Famer, Bare Knuckle and Women's Boxing Hall of Famer, Christy Martin embarks on a new career as she

introduces Pink Promotions along with Pretty Girl Promotions will present a special night of boxing on Wednesday, October 19 at Grady Cole Center in Charlotte, North Carolina.

In the main event, light heavyweight Quinton Rankin (11-3-1, 8 KO's) of Charlotte will compete in an eight-round bout against an opponent to be named.

Rankin, 29 years old is a five year pro is a known commodity in the area as he has fought half of his fights in the greater Charlotte area.

He has been active in 2016 as this will be his fifth fight of the year. He will be looking to get back in the win column after going eight rounds with prospect Medzhid Bektemirov (16-1) on August 13.

In the co-feature, it will be a battle for the NABF Flyweight title as undefeated Rosalinda Rodriguez (4-0, 1 KO) of Miami, Florida battles Naomi Bosque (10-7-2, 2 KO's) of St. Petersburg, Florida.

Rodriguez has two wins over undefeated foes which include Federica Bianco and her last bout when she won a four-round unanimous decision over Samantha Salazar on July 16th in Erie, Pennsylvania.

Bosque has wins over Monica Flores (3-0) and Yolaine Lin De Lauf (6-1).

Also scheduled to appear will be super featherweight, Christian Camacho (2-1) of Las Vegas.

Camacho is the son of Hall of Famer Hector "Macho" Camacho.

Taking part in an eight-round bout will be Renan Ruiz (7-2-1, 3 KO's) of Brooklyn, New York.

Opponents for Rankin, Camacho and Ruiz plus more bouts will be announced shortly.

"My company Pink Promotions will be working with Mercedes Vazquez Simmons of Pretty Girl Promotions to put on a spectacular show," said Hall of fame champion, Christy Martin. "The Championship fight between Rosalinda Rodriguez and Noemi Bosque is going to be a show stealer and will give the crowd its money worth. Neither is a classic boxer. They`re brawlers who are tough, durable, hard hitting and strong."

"Another exciting bonus on this spectacular card, is promising 24 year old Christian Camacho- son of the famous, late great Hector "Macho" Camacho."

"All along I knew I would be a promoter. There`s so much to be done and I`m here with my feet on the ground in Charlotte, North Carolina. The issue is to sell tickets, convince people to attend to see some great boxing and to build on that success. These two women are going to give us a REAL FIGHT!"

"We`re thrilled at the opportunity to partner with Christy Martin`s Pink Promotions on her inaugural event in which we plan on making a series of fights card in city of Charlotte , NC.,"Said co-promoter, Mercedes Simmons of Pretty Girl Promotions.

"Christy Martin and I share the same philosophy, which is to provide quality fight cards that will allow regional and under exposed fighters a platform for them to display their talents. Our commitment to Charlotte, NC is long term "

Tickets go on sales September 1st on line at www.christy-Martin.com and at

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