



12 Rounds – World Welterweight Championship

MANNY PACQUIAO

Eight-Division World Champion
General Santos City, Philippines
56-5-2, 38 KOs

vs.

CHRIS ALGIERI

World Jr. Welterweight Champion
Huntington, Long Island, New York
20-0, 8 KOs

When: Saturday, November 22, 2014

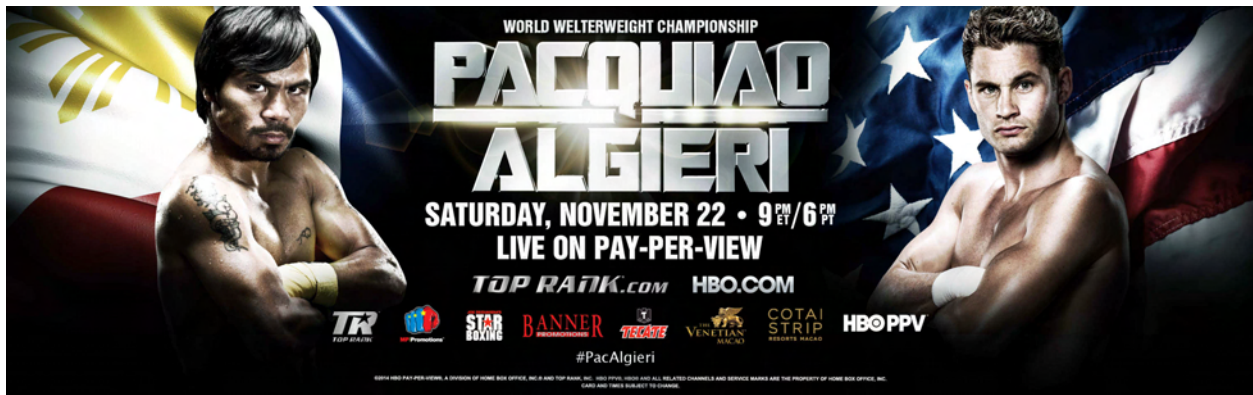
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LAS VEGAS, NV (August 29, 2014) -- Boxing's only eight-division world champion and Fighter of the Decade **Congressman MANNY "Pacman" PACQUIAO** will defend his World Boxing Organization (WBO) welterweight title against New York's undefeated WBO junior welterweight champion **CHRIS ALGIERI**, who has a Bachelor of Science degree in Health Care Management, a Masters Degree in Clinical Nutrition and a Ph.D. in Upsets Inside The Ring. Promoted by Top Rank® and Sands China Ltd., in association with MP Promotions, Joe DeGuardia's Star Boxing, Banner Promotions and Tecate, the Pacquiao vs. Algieri world welterweight championship event will take place **Saturday, November 22**, at **The Venetian® Macao's Cotai Arena**. It will be produced and distributed live by **HBO Pay-Per-View** beginning at **9:00 p.m. ET / 6:00 p.m. PT**.

Pacquiao and Algieri will announce their world championship fight during a two-week 27,273-mile international media tour, which kicked off August 25 with a press conference at The Venetian Macao. The tour will include stops in Shanghai, San Francisco, Las Vegas, Los Angeles and New York.

"Chris Algieri fought an exceptional fight in June to win the world title from Ruslan Provodnikov," said Pacquiao. "I am impressed and intrigued by his scientific approach to training and boxing. He may be the smartest and the fittest athlete I have ever faced and that makes him the most dangerous. I worked hard to reclaim my welterweight title and I will work harder to make sure I keep it on November 22. As always, I dedicate this fight to my fellow Filipinos around the world and to bring glory to the Philippines. "

"It is a real honor to fight a future Hall of Famer like Manny Pacquiao and I am looking forward to being introduced to a whole new market and fan base in the Far East," said Algieri. "My last fight against Ruslan Provodnikov got the world's attention, now I am going to show what I can *really* do. I have the utmost respect for Manny and his great team, but make no mistake -- I am here to win and I have nothing on my mind but beating a legend."

"I underestimated Algieri when he faced Ruslan Provodnikov in June but I won't make that mistake again," said Hall of Fame trainer Freddie Roach. "I hope he understands that this is a fight and not a marathon. Algieri is going to face the best of Manny Pacquiao because Manny is going to have his toughest training camp ever. I am looking forward to a great fight and Manny's finest hour on November 22."

"Over the past 14 years I have trained and watched Chris become a Master of the Art of Boxing. His hard work ethic, discipline and dedication are second to none," said Algieri's trainer, Tim Lane. "Chris has been in the gym after only one week off from his last bout with New York trainers Keith Trimble, Dr. Mike Camp and Tony Ricci who have kept him in great shape through the years and continue to help him get stronger and faster between and during all camps. Training camp will officially start in late September in New York and finish in Las Vegas before leaving for China. Let it be known, there is a New ERA in the world of boxing and on November 22 Chris Algieri will once again Shock the World and become the New WBO Welterweight Champion!"

"The battle between the two world champions will be a fantastic fight. Manny's non-stop attack style will be challenged by Algieri's laser-like punching," said Hall of Fame promoter Bob Arum.

"It has been a great year. In February we had Chris at The Paramount on ESPN, in June on HBO winning the World Championship at Barclays Center in dramatic fashion against the feared Ruslan Provodnikov. Now we are excited to announce that he will be at The Venetian Macao against legendary Manny Pacquiao on HBO Pay-Per-View.

"It has been an unprecedented meteoric rise that will continue on November 22. I look forward to this intriguing and 'landscape-changing' fight," said Algieri's promoter, Joe DeGuardia, President and Founder of Star Boxing.

"Sands China is thrilled to be bringing Manny back to Macao again to fight at the Cotai Arena this November," said Edward Tracy, President and Chief Executive Officer of Sands China Ltd. "Since Manny's sold-out Venetian Macao debut in November 2013, we've worked continuously with Bob Arum and Top Rank to host three more successful boxing cards at the Cotai Arena and two live screening events of US cards; and further, announced our partnership on the mainland China television program 'Fist Power – Fight to Win.' We're happy to see these events helping promote the growth of boxing in the region while raising the profile of Macao as a world centre of tourism and leisure."

"Against all odds, Manny Pacquiao has produced a brilliant, Hall of Fame career. He's accepted challenges around the globe and established new frontiers, including fighting on pay-per-view from Macao," said Mark Taffet of HBO Pay-Per-View. "Now another young, talented and unassuming prizefighter named Chris Algieri will try to defy the odds and fulfill his dreams by challenging Pacquiao for his welterweight crown. In Chris Algieri, fight fans see a great American story with added intrigue based on the heart and courage he displayed in his recent victory over Ruslan Provodnikov."

Pacquiao (56-5-2, 38 KOs), the lone congressional representative from the Sarangani province in the Philippines (he was reelected to a second term, running unopposed last year), is the only fighter to win eight world titles in as many different weight divisions. A three-time Fighter of the Year and the Boxing Writers Association of America's "Fighter of the Decade," Pacquiao made his Cotai Arena debut last November 24, pasting former world champion Brandon Rios with a unanimous decision beatdown. Pacquiao's resumé features victories over present and future Hall of Famers, including Oscar De La Hoya, Ricky Hatton, Marco Antonio Barrera, Erik Morales, Miguel Cotto, Shane Mosley and Juan Manuel Márquez. From 2008 to 2010, five of his seven victories were world title victories in five different weight classes, from 130 to 154 pounds. No active boxer has sold more live tickets in the U.S. than Pacquiao, who is also credited with nearly 13 million domestic pay-per-view buys. He returns to the ring after avenging his controversial 2012 split decision loss to undefeated two-division world champion Timothy Bradley, Jr. on April 12. Pacquiao won a scintillating unanimous decision to regain the WBO welterweight crown back from Bradley.

Algieri (20-0, 8 KOs), from Huntington, NY on Long Island, has become boxing's No. 1 story, as well as being hailed as the 21st century real-life Rocky. Over the last 22 months Algieri, a former kickboxing champion, has elevated himself from a prospect to a world-class contender to a world champion. After accumulating significant victories over top prospect Jose Alejo, former USBA champion Mike Arnaoutis, and highly-rated contender Emmanuel Taylor, Algieri, stepped up in his HBO debut and challenged WBO junior welterweight champion "The Siberian Rocky" Ruslan Provodnikov on June 14. Despite suffering two knockdowns in the first round which closed his swollen right eye, Algieri who entered the fight as a 5-1 underdog, eschewed the natural instinct to panic and resolutely stuck to his game plan, expertly using his jab and supreme athletic ability to pick apart the defending champion to claim a split decision victory and the world title. The live, first-time airing of the fight averaged over 1.1 million viewers placing among the five most-viewed fights on cable this year. In what could be a first for any professional boxer, Algieri used his purse from the Provodnikov bout to pay off his student loans. He is as much a scholar as he is a brawler. Algieri graduated from Stony Brook University with Honors in 2007 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Health Care Management and then went on to receive his Master's degree in Clinical Nutrition from the New York Institute of Technology. He aspires to attend medical school.

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The 15,000-seat Cotai Arena is the only venue in Asia ranked in Pollstar's Top 100 Worldwide Arena Venues based on ticket sales. It is the top entertainment destination in southern China, hosting the world's and the region's biggest names in music, sports and awards shows. Superstars frequently choose the venue as the starting point of their Asian tours.

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MANNY “PacMan” PACQUIAO

Age: 35 (12-17-78)

Residence: Kiamba, Sarangani Province, Philippines

Birthplace: Kibawe, Philippines

Record: 56-5-2, 38 KOs

Height: 5'6.5"

Reach: 67"

Stance: Lefthanded

Advisor: Michael Koncz

Trainer: Freddie Roach (Boxing Writers Association of America “2013 Trainer of the Year,” the sixth time he has won the award; inducted into International Boxing Hall of Fame in 2012)

MANNY “PacMan” PACQUIAO (56-5-2, 38 KOs)...

- Two-time WBO welterweight world champion, three successful defenses...
- World championship fights: 14-3-2, 8 KOs...
- “Fighter of the Decade 2000-2009” – Boxing Writers Association of America...
- “2009 Fighter of the Year” – Boxing Writers Association of America...
- “2008 Fighter of the Year” – Boxing Writers Association of America...
- “2006 Fighter of the Year” – Boxing Writers Association of America...
- Former WBC super welterweight world champion...
- Former WBC lightweight world champion...
- Former WBC super featherweight world champion...
- Former IBF jr. featherweight world champion, four successful defenses...
- Former WBC flyweight world champion, one successful defense...
- Former WBC International super featherweight champion, three successful defenses...
- Former WBC International super bantamweight champion, five successful defenses...
- Former OPBF (Oriental and Pacific Boxing Federation) flyweight champion, one successful defense...

At the age of 35, Manny is a 19-year pro - he made his debut at 16. One of boxing's biggest stars, he has been fighting at the top levels of competition and given some of the most sensational performances in the ring in recent years.

He has won world titles at 112, 122, 130, 135, 147, and 154 pounds.

17 of his last 18 fights have been against world champions, and the one exception was an interim world champion.

Manny is not only recognized by most observers as one of the best fighters in the ring today, but is also considered one of the sport's all-time greats.

His accomplishments in the ring have established him as a certain future first-ballot Hall of Famer, but Manny has reached another level that can be claimed by very few – he has transcended the sport.

He is the national hero of his native Philippines – the entire country of over 96 million people comes to a virtual standstill to watch whenever he fights.

Manny was elected as a Congressman in the Sarangani province in the Philippines. He is also a recording artist and an action-movie star in his home country.

His “rags to riches” story is spectacular and literal – a 14 year-old kid living on the streets of Manila goes on to become one of the world's most recognizable and revered athletes. He has already been the subject of books and movies, is featured in video games, and on a postage stamp in the Philippines.

Manny won the WBO welterweight world title for the second time in his last fight on April 12 with a 12-round unanimous decision in the rematch against defending champion **Timothy Bradley Jr.**

After the fight, **Dan Rafael** wrote on ESPN.com [excerpts]: On June 9, 2012, Pacquiao appeared to dominate Bradley in what should have been a lopsided unanimous decision to retain his welterweight world title. Instead, two judges ridiculously and wrongly scored the fight for Bradley, giving him a mega-controversial split decision win and the belt. It was a travesty and one of the worse decisions in boxing history. But two years later the record was set straight when Pacquiao once again dominated Bradley and this time got the right decision by a proper unanimous decision.

Bradley promised to go for the knockout and leave no doubt about the result this time. Pacquiao aimed to prove he was still the ferocious fighter who had electrified the sport for much of the past decade.

Bradley did go for the knockout. Pacquiao went for it also, showing the fire was still there. It made for a highly entertaining fight, but one that Pacquiao clearly won. Bradley was hampered by a right calf injury suffered in the first round, but he refused to make excuses after the fight. He was a total class act, giving praise to Pacquiao and his performance and admitting defeat. But he has nothing to be ashamed of. He and Pacquiao both gave their all as the MGM Grand Garden Arena crowd of 15,601 cheered wildly throughout the action-packed fight.

Pacquiao was extremely effective with his straight left hand. Pacquiao rocked Bradley several times and still looked fast with his punches and feet. He definitely hurt Bradley in the sixth round when he backed Bradley into the ropes and unloaded a flurry of punches. He also had a big seventh round, ripping off more than a dozen unanswered blows as Bradley languished on the ropes. It was basically all Pacquiao, although Bradley, with a right side of his face red and swollen from being hit with so many left hands, was still trying.

The PacMan is back in business after this huge victory. [End Rafael item]

Manny was voted "2009 Fighter of the Year" and "Fighter of the Decade 2000-2009" by the Boxing Writers Association of America.

BWAA president **Jack Hirsch** wrote on their webpage [excerpts]: If there were any doubt that Manny Pacquiao is the biggest star of his sport, it was put to rest by members of the Boxing Writers Association of America. By an overwhelming margin, Pacquiao took home not only the BWAA's newly named "Sugar Ray Robinson Fighter of the Year" award, but went one better by also winning "Fighter of the Decade" honors. For Pacquiao, it was his third BWAA "Fighter of the Year" award, tying him with **Muhammad Ali** and **Evander Holyfield** for the most in the history of the organization. [End BWAA item]

The Associated Press reported [excerpts]: Manny Pacquiao was honored as the fighter of the decade by the Boxing Writer's Association of America on Monday....

The reigning pound-for-pound king was chosen fighter of the decade over **Bernard Hopkins, Joe Calzaghe, Floyd Mayweather Jr., Shane Mosley, Juan Manuel Marquez** and **Marco Antonio Barrera**. [End AP item]

Manny has fought 19 current or former world champions: **Timothy Bradley Jr.** two times (L12, W12), **Brandon Rios** (W12), **Juan Manuel Marquez** four times (D12, W12, W12, KOby6), **Shane Mosley** (W12), **Antonio Margarito** (W12), **Joshua Clottey** (W12), **Miguel Cotto** (TKO12), **Ricky Hatton** (KO2), **Oscar de la Hoya** (TKO8), **David Diaz** (TKO9), **Marco Antonio Barrera** two times (W12, TKO11), **Jorge Solis** (KO8), **Erik Morales** three times (KO3, TKO10, L12), **Oscar Larios** (W12), **Jorge Julio** (KO2), **Agapito Sanchez** (TD6), **Lehlohonolo Ledwaba** (TKO6), **Medgoen Lukchaopomasak** (KOby3, and **Chatchai Sasakul** (KO8).

Key Fights – 2014 – WON WBO W WORLD TITLE - in his last fight on 4-12-14 in Las Vegas, NV, he won a 12 round unanimous decision in the rematch against previously undefeated defending champion **Timothy Bradley Jr.** (31-0): the bout headlined at the MGM Grand, and it was fast-paced and exciting; Bradley gave a very strong effort, but Manny pressed forward, consistently outworked him, and dominated most of the fight; he scored repeatedly with left hands, and rocked Bradley several times; Bradley injured his right calf muscle in the 1st round, and Manny was cut over his left eye by a clash of heads late in the 12th round; scored 116-112, 116-112, 118-110;

After the fight, Manny said, "I knew I had to do more in this fight than I did in the last fight. He gave me a good fight, he's not that easy. I listened to my corner about keeping my hands up and timing. He threw a lot of punches. He threw wide, wide, wide hooks. I got hit one time and said it's not good to be careless."...

2013 – WON VACANT WBO INTERNATIONAL W TITLE - on 11-24-13 in Macau, CHI, he won a 12 round unanimous decision against former WBA lightweight world champion **Brandon Rios** (31-1-1): the bout headlined at the Venetian Resort; Rios pressed forward and gave a strong effort, but Manny dominated the fight; he kept Rios off-balance with movement and consistently outboxed and outworked him – he landed hard combinations and rocked Rios repeatedly; Rios was cut over his left eye in the 6th round, and his right eye became swollen later in the fight and his mouth was bloodied; Manny finished the fight strongly and won by scores of 119-109, 120-108, 118-110; after the fight, Manny said, "This is still my time. My time is not over. This is not about my comeback. My victory is a symbol of my people's comeback from a natural disaster and a national tragedy. My journey will continue. I said we will rise again, and that's what happened."...

2012 – on 12-8-12 in Las Vegas he lost by knockout (6th round) in his fourth fight against former WBA-WBO lightweight, WBC super featherweight, and IBF-WBA featherweight world champion **Juan Manuel Marquez** (54-6-1): the scheduled 12-rounder headlined at the MGM Grand - it was a fast-paced thriller with dramatic shifts of momentum, and ended with a one-punch knockout; Manny outworked Marquez in the 1st and 2nd rounds, but Marquez came back and scored a knockdown with a right hand that dropped Manny flat on his back in the 3rd; Manny recovered and rallied in the 4th round; he scored a knockdown with a left hand when Marquez' glove touched the canvas in the 5th, then staggered Marquez with a right hook moments later – Marquez was also cut on the bridge of his nose and his mouth was bloodied; Manny stepped up his attack and was wearing down Marquez in the 6th round, but Marquez scored a knockdown with a right hand late in the round that dropped him face-first, and the referee stopped the fight without a count at 2:59; after five rounds, Manny led by scores of 47-46 on all three scorecards; after the fight, Manny said, "I was careless. He's not an easy opponent. I did my best, but that's boxing – that's sports. I thought I got him in the last couple of rounds, but I got hit by a strong punch. I never expected that punch."...

LOST WBO W WORLD TITLE - on 6-9-12 in Las Vegas he lost a 12 round split decision against former WBO jr. welterweight and two-time WBC super lightweight world champion **Timothy Bradley Jr.** (28-0): the fight headlined at the MGM Grand, and ended with a controversial decision; Bradley gave a strong effort, but Manny appeared to dominate most of the fight; Manny started fast – he outworked Bradley, scored repeatedly with hard left hands, and built a lead on the scorecards; after four rounds, Manny led by scores of 39-37 on all three scorecards; Bradley fractured his right ankle in the 2nd round and twisted his right ankle badly in the 5th, but still gave a hard-working, determined effort in the middle rounds and after eight rounds, the fight was scored 78-74 Pacquiao, 76-76, 76-76; Manny continued to outwork Bradley and rocked him repeatedly with left hands in the late rounds, but Bradley boxed and moved more and had several rallies, which apparently swayed the judges; nearly everyone who saw the fight thought Manny won by decisive scores, but the judges scored 115-113, 115-113 Bradley, 115-113 Pacquiao; after the fight, Manny said, "I did my best, but I guess my best wasn't good enough. I've been watching his fight tapes – there were no surprises. He never hurt me with his punches, most of them hit my arms. I don't know what happened."...

2011 – 3RD WBO W WORLD TITLE DEFENSE - on 11-12-11 in Las Vegas he won a 12 round majority decision in his third fight against **Juan Manuel Marquez** (53-5-1): the fight headlined at the MGM Grand, and it was close and exciting; Manny kept a fast pace and generally outworked Marquez, but Marquez scored with accurate counterpunches, landed the harder punches, and had several rallies; Manny started fast – he swept the 1st round on all three scorecards, won the 2nd on two scorecards,

Then swept the 3rd round; Marquez swept the 4th and 5th, but Manny came back and swept the 6th; after six rounds, the fight was scored 58-56, 58-56 Pacquiao, 57-57; Marquez swept the 7th round, but Manny finished the fight strongly; he won the 8th, 9th on two scorecards – Manny was also cut over his right eye by a clash of heads in the 9th – then won the 10th, 11th, and 12th rounds on two scorecards, as well; scored 115-113, 116-112 Pacquiao, 114-114...

2ND WBO W WORLD TITLE DEFENSE - on 5-7-11 in Las Vegas he won a 12 round unanimous decision against former lightweight, welterweight, and super welterweight world champion **Shane Mosley** (46-6-1): the bout headlined at the MGM Grand and drew a capacity crowd of 16,412; Manny dominated the fight – he constantly pressed forward, outworked Mosley, and landed the harder punches; Manny scored a knockdown with a left hand that left Mosley dazed in the 3rd round, and Mosley fought to survive after that; Mosley was credited with a knockdown in the 10th round, but replays clearly showed that it was a push and no punch landed; scored 120-107, 120-108, 119-108...

2010 – WON VACANT WBC SW WORLD TITLE - on 11-13-10 in Arlington, TX, he won a 12 round unanimous decision against former WBA, IBF, and WBO welterweight world champion **Antonio Margarito** (38-6): the fight headlined at Cowboys Stadium and drew a crowd of 41,743; Manny dominated the entire fight – Margarito had a huge size advantage, but Manny kept him off balance with movement, consistently outworked him, and landed the harder punches; Margarito was swollen under his right eye in the 5th round, and later cut and bruised in the same area (it was discovered after the fight that his orbital bone was broken); Margarito rocked Manny in the 6th, but it was one of the few rallies that he had; Manny steadily wore him down and staggered him with a series of punches in the 10th round; Manny looked to the referee to stop the fight in the 11th round, but the fight continued; Manny dominated the 11th and 12th, but with less ferocity, and Margarito's right eye was swollen shut at the final bell; scored 120-108, 119-109, 118-110; after the fight, Manny said, "I did my best. He's strong. He's a very tough fighter. I can't believe he took those punches."...

1ST WBO W WORLD TITLE DEFENSE - on 3-13-10 in Arlington he won a 12 round unanimous decision against former IBF welterweight world champion **Joshua Clottey** (35-3): the fight headlined at Cowboys Stadium, drew a crowd of 50,994, and Manny dominated; he consistently outworked Clottey and landed the harder punches, and Clottey fought very defensively for the entire fight; scored 119-109, 119-109, 120-108; after the fight, Manny said, "It was not an easy fight. He's a good fighter. I threw a lot of jabs in the beginning to counter his hook and uppercut. I felt his power. He's so strong. I could tell he was looking to land the big shot throughout the fight."...

2009 – WON WBO W WORLD TITLE – on 11-14-09 in Las Vegas he won by TKO (12th round) against defending champion **Miguel Cotto** (34-1): the fight headlined at the MGM Grand – it was the most highly-anticipated boxing event of the year, and drew a capacity crowd of 16,200; the early rounds were close and exciting - Cotto was disciplined and sharp and scored with solid combinations, but Manny scored a knockdown with a right hook in the 3rd round; Manny scored another knockdown with a left hand that left Cotto dazed in the 4th – Cotto courageously fought on and rallied in the 5th round, but Manny staggered him with a left hand in the 6th, steadily wore him down, and dominated most of the rest of the fight; Cotto boxed and moved in the late rounds, but Manny landed the harder punches, rocked him repeatedly in the 9th round, and Cotto's mouth and nose were bloodied, his face battered and swollen; Cotto won the 10th on two scorecards, but Manny swept the 11th round, then rocked Cotto again early in the 12th and the referee stopped the fight at 0:55; after 11 rounds, Manny led by scores of 109-99, 108-99, 108-100; after the fight, Manny said, "In the first three rounds I tried to measure his power. I'm talking to him during the fight because I'm trying to fight toe-to-toe with him. Before the fight his camp was saying he's bigger and stronger. I just wanted to let them know that in the fight we were going to see who's stronger and tougher. I don't want to compare my achievements to any fighter in boxing. I'm just doing my job to give a good fight. My goal is to give happiness to all those who watch us."

I always think to myself that I'm an ordinary fighter. I think this was one of the toughest fights in my boxing career. I took a lot of boxing from Cotto. But after this I have a concert at Mandalay Bay – eight songs with my band from the Philippines.”...

On 5-2-09 in Las Vegas he won by knockout (2nd round) against former IBF jr. welterweight and WBA welterweight world champion **Ricky Hatton** (45-1): the fight headlined at the MGM Grand and drew a capacity crowd of 16,262, and Manny quickly overwhelmed Hatton; he scored two knockdowns in the 1st round – the first with a right hook, the second with a left hand; he scored another knockdown with a left hand that dropped Hatton flat on his back, out cold, late in the 2nd round and the referee stopped the fight at 2:59; after the fight, Manny said, “I'm surprised this fight was so easy, but I did work hard since the beginning of March in training camp. Nothing personal. I am just doing my job, but this is as big a victory for me as when I beat Oscar De La Hoya. He was wide open for the right hook. I knew he would be looking for my left. That's why we worked on the right.”...

2008 –on 12-6-08 in Las Vegas he won by TKO (8th round) against former WBO jr. lightweight, WBO and IBF lightweight, WBC super lightweight, welterweight, and two-time super welterweight, and WBO middleweight world champion **Oscar De La Hoya** (39-5): the fight headlined at the MGM Grand; De La Hoya was a 2-1 favorite to win, but Manny dominated the fight; De La Hoya won the 1st round on one judge's scorecard, but none after that; Manny kept him off-balance with movement, consistently outworked him, and rocked him with hard left hands in every round; Manny rocked De La Hoya repeatedly in the 7th round – which two judges scored 10-8 for him – and De La Hoya's left eye was swollen shut; De La Hoya did not continue after the 8th round; after eight rounds, Manny led by near-shutout scores of 80-71, 80-71, 79-72; after the fight, Manny said, “I was able to defend against his jab and he wasn't able to connect, and I was able to connect with everything. Speed was the answer to this fight. The only thing I was surprised by was that my trainer picked the round we would win in.”...

WON WBC L WORLD TITLE - on 6-28-08 in Las Vegas he won by TKO (9th round) against lefthanded defending champion **David Diaz** (34-1-1): the fight headlined at Mandalay Bay; Diaz, a 1996 U.S. Olympian, gave a tremendous effort, but Manny dominated the entire fight and gave him a severe beating; he rocked Diaz repeatedly and cut him badly over his right eye in the 4th round; Manny scored a knockdown with a left hand that dropped Diaz face-first to the canvas in the 9th, and the referee stopped the fight without a count at 2:24; after eight rounds, Manny led by scores of 80-71, 80-71, 80-72; after the fight, Manny said, “I feel much stronger and more powerful at 135. This is where I plan to stay. Diaz caught a lot of punches. I'm surprised he didn't go down earlier. It's hard to fight a southpaw, but I jabbed, jabbed to set him up for the knockout.”...

WON WBC SF WORLD TITLE - on 3-15-08 in Las Vegas, NV, he won a 12 round split decision in the rematch against defending champion **Juan Manuel Marquez** (48-3-1): it was a fast-paced, exciting fight and the momentum shifted back and forth; Manny swept the 1st round on all three scorecards, but Marquez came back, staggered him with a right hand-left hook combination in the 2nd, and swept the round; Manny scored a knockdown with left hand that dropped Marquez flat on his back late in the 3rd round, rocked Marquez again later in the round and won the round 10-8 on all three scorecards, then swept the 4th round on all three scorecards, as well; Marquez rallied and swept the 5th, 7th, and 8th rounds, but was nicked over his right eye in the 5th, and cut badly over the same eye by a clash of heads in the 7th; Manny was also cut badly over his right eye; Manny staggered Marquez with a left hand early in the 10th round, then rocked him against with series of punches moments later and swept the round, but Marquez finished the fight very strongly – he swept the 11th round and won the 12th on two scorecards; scored 115-112, 114-113 Pacquiao, 115-112 Marquez...

2007 – 5TH WBC INTERNATIONAL SF TITLE DEFENSE - on 10-6-07 in Las Vegas, NV, he won a 12 round unanimous decision in the rematch against 33 year-old former three-time WBO jr. featherweight, IBF jr. lightweight and WBC super featherweight world champion **Marco Antonio Barrera** (63-5):

The bout headlined at Mandalay Bay and drew a crowd of 10,112, and Manny dominated the fight; Barrera had his moments – he rocked Manny with a right hand in the 3rd round and scored with a hard left hook and left uppercut in the 5th, but Manny pressed forward and consistently outworked him; Manny staggered Barrera and cut him under his right eye in the 11th round, and Barrera was penalized one point for punching on a break later in the round after he staggered Manny with a right hand; scored 118-109, 118-109, 115-112; after the fight, Manny said, “It was a good fight, and it was different from the first fight. He’s a good, smart boxer. I’m satisfied with the result. I knew he would have to box me this time around. I thought the people were happy with that fight. I’m trying to make people happy, to give a good fight. I hope that people liked this fight tonight. We did our best. I was careful in this fight. He’s still a good fighter. I was just lucky in the first fight that it happened like that.”...

4TH WBC INTERNATIONAL SF TITLE DEFENSE - on 4-14-07 in San Antonio, TX, he won by knockout (8th round) against **Jorge Solis** (32-0-2): the fight headlined at the Alamodome and drew a crowd of 14,793; the early rounds were tactical and close, and both were effective at times; Manny was cut over his left eye by a clash of heads in the 6th round, but rocked Solis later in the round; Manny stepped up his pace in the 7th round, then scored two knockdowns in the 8th – both with left hands – and he was counted out at 1:16; after the fight, Manny said, “In the early rounds I took it easy, but when I got a cut I was throwing more combinations and pretty soon I knocked him out.”...

2006 – 3RD WBC INTERNATIONAL SF TITLE DEFENSE - on 11-18-06 in Las Vegas, NV, he won by knockout (3rd round) against former WBC super bantamweight, two-time featherweight, and super featherweight world champion **Erik Morales** (48-4): the fight headlined at the Thomas & Mack Center and drew an announced crowd of 18,276; Morales gave a tremendous effort, but Manny gave a sensational performance, dominated the fight, and quickly overpowered him; Manny rocked Morales with a right hook in the 1st round and scored a knockdown with a straight left hand in the 2nd; Manny staggered Morales, then scored a knockdown with a series of punches in the 3rd round – Morales came back with a furious attack and rocked Manny, but Manny scored another knockdown and Morales was counted out at 2:57;

2ND WBC INTERNATIONAL SF TITLE DEFENSE - on 7-2-06 in Manila, PHIL, he won a 12 round unanimous decision against former WBC super bantamweight world champion **Oscar Larios** (56-4-1): the fight headlined at the historic Araneta Coliseum, the site of the “Thrilla in Manila” in 1975; Larios had some early success and staggered Manny in the 3rd round, but Manny came back and cut Larios over the left eye later in the round; several rounds were close, but Manny had the edge in most and gave Larios a severe beating; Manny scored one knockdown in the 7th round and another in the 12th, and won by scores of 120-106, 118-108, 117-111; after the fight, Manny said, “Their plan was for me to finish the match early, but my plan was that I would not rush, as long as I’m ahead on points. Sometimes if you rush, you may have a problem, because he can squeeze in a punch.”...

1ST WBC INTERNATIONAL SF TITLE DEFENSE - on 1-21-06 in Las Vegas he won by TKO (10th round) against defending champion **Erik Morales** (48-3): the rematch headlined at the Thomas & Mack Center, and drew announced crowd of 14,618; it was an exciting fight, and both gave tremendous efforts; the early rounds were close, but Morales rallied and swept rounds 3 through 5 on all three scorecards and after five rounds, led by scores of 49-46, 48-47, 48-47; but Manny came on strongly in the 6th – he consistently landed the harder punches and swept rounds six through nine on all three scorecards; Manny scored two knockdowns in the 10th - the first with a straight left hand, the second after a series of punches – and the referee stopped the fight without a count at 2:33; after nine rounds, Manny led by scores of 86-85, 87-84, 87-84; after the fight, Manny said, “The first fight was tough for me to go to the body because I had the bloody eye. The big difference is that I could see, I could see his punches coming. I saw I hurt him every time I hit him in the body. I wasn’t expecting to knock him out. I was lucky that I was to get to his body and his head.”..

2005 - WON VACANT WBC INTERNATIONAL SF TITLE - on 9-10-05 in Los Angeles, CA, he won by TKO (6th round) against **Hector Velazquez** (42-10-2): Velazquez started fast and gave a good effort, but Manny outworked him, landed the harder punches, and dominated most of the fight; Manny staggered Velazquez with a right hook in the 6th round, then scored a knockdown moments later; Velazquez got up at the count of eight, but the referee stopped the fight at 2:59; after five rounds, Manny led by scores of 49-46, 49-46, 48-47; after the fight, Manny said, "This is exactly what we trained for. It was the body shots that set him up for the KO."...

On 3-19-05 in Las Vegas, NV, lost a 12 round unanimous decision against former WBC super bantamweight, featherweight, and super featherweight world champion **Erik Morales** (47-2): it was one of the most highly-anticipated fights of the year, and it was boxing at its best; the event drew a capacity crowd of 14,623 to the MGM Grand, and it was a ferocious battle that repeatedly brought the fans to their feet; it was a very close fight, and the momentum shifted back and forth – Manny started fast and won the first and third rounds on all three scorecards, but Morales weathered the early storm and rallied in the middle and late rounds; Morales won the fourth, fifth and sixth rounds on two scorecards, then the eighth, tenth, and eleventh on all three; Manny was cut over the right eye in the 5th round – ruled by a punch – but he won the seventh round on two scorecards, and swept the ninth and twelfth; both stood toe-to-toe in the final round and punched nonstop until the bell; all three judges scored the fight 115-113; after the fight, Manny said, "I couldn't see out of one eye, and it was very hard. If I am not cut on one eye, I think I can knock him out. But I did my best and gave everyone a good fight."...

2004 - on 12-11-04 in Taguig City, PHIL, he won by TKO (4th round) against **Fahsan Thawatchai** (44-7-1): the event drew an estimated crowd of 25,000 at The Fort, and Manny gave a devastating performance; he scored one knockdown in the 2nd round, another in the 3rd, and two more in the 4th - Fahsan was out cold, and the referee stopped the fight without a count at 1:26...

IBF, WBA F WORLD TITLE CHALLENGE - on 5-8-04 in Las Vegas, NV, he had a 12 round draw against defending champion **Juan Manuel Marquez** (42-2): Manny scored three knockdowns in the 1st round, and Marquez' nose was injured badly and bled throughout the fight; but Marquez showed tremendous heart and determination, gradually recovered, and boxed effectively for much of the fight; Marquez swept rounds three through six on two judges' scorecards – he rocked Manny and cut him over the right eye in the 5th, and staggered him in the 6th; the second half of the fight was exciting, and the momentum went back and forth – Manny landed the harder punches, but Marquez kept a busier pace and won four of the last six rounds on one scorecard, and five on another; the final scores were 115-110 Marquez, 115-110 Pacquiao, 113-113; after the fight, Manny said, "I'm disappointed. I thought I won, I didn't think it was close. I thought I took his fight away from him."...

2003 - in his last fight on 11-15-03 in San Antonio, TX, he won by TKO (11th round) against former three-time WBO jr. featherweight world champion **Marco Antonio Barrera** (57-3): the fight was at 126 pounds, and Barrera, considered by many observers to be the world's best featherweight, was a 4-1 favorite to win; but Manny gave a sensational performance; he was knocked down in the 1st round – replays showed that he was tripped when the punch was thrown – but dominated the rest of the fight; Manny scored a knockdown in the 3rd round, then rocked Barrera with several punches later in the round; he relentlessly pressured Barrera, landed the harder punches and wore him down; Barrera's left eye was swollen in the 4th round, and he was cut over the same eye by a clash of heads in the 7th; Barrera was also penalized one point for punching on the break in the 9th round; Manny scored another knockdown in the 11th round – Barrera got up, but Manny rocked him with a series of punches and Barrera's corner stopped the fight at 2:56; after 10 rounds, Manny led by scores of 97-88, 97-90, 97-90; after the fight, Manny said, "I really focused through this fight. "Very early, I knew I was going to knock him out. When I knocked him down in the third, I thought it was over. But he came back. I'm surprised he lasted that long."...

4TH IBF JF WORLD TITLE DEFENSE - on 7-26-03 in Los Angeles, CA, he won by knockout (3rd round) against previously undefeated **Emmanuel Lucero** (21-0-1): it was a spectacular one-punch knockout; Lucero was an awkward opponent – he pressed forward, dipped almost to the canvas at times and lunged at Manny with wide punches; Manny landed a single left hand in the 3rd round that sent Lucero staggering across the ring, out on his feet, and the referee stopped the fight at 0:48 as Lucero slumped to the canvas; after the fight, Manny said, “He was way too low. He looked like an amateur fighter.”...

On 3-15-03 in Manila, PH, he won by TKO (5th round) against **Serik Eshmagametov** (13-18-1): the fight drew an announced attendance of 50,000 to Manila’s historic Luneta Park; Manny scored a knockdown in the 1st round, but Eshmagametov rallied and scored a knockdown in the 4th; Manny came back strongly, scored two knockdowns in the 5th round, and the referee stopped the fight at 1:52...

2002 - 3RD IBF JF WORLD TITLE DEFENSE - on 10-26-02 in Davao, PH, he won by TKO (1st round) against **Fahproakob Sithkwenim** (36-2): the fight was held at Rizal Memorial College gymnasium; Manny scored four knockdowns in the 1st round, and the referee stopped the fight at 2:36; after the fight, Manny said, “I really prepared for the fight. I was really surprised why he got down when I hit him with a right cross. I studied his punch and he always brought down his left hand.”...

2ND IBF JF WORLD TITLE DEFENSE - on 6-8-02 in Memphis, TN, he won by knockout (2nd round) against **Jorge Julio** (44-3): the fight was the co-featured bout with the Lennox Lewis-Mike Tyson main event; Manny scored two knockdowns early in the 2nd round and bloodied Julio’s nose; Julio got up both times, but Manny rocked him again and the referee stopped the fight at 1:09; after the fight, Manny said, “I hope that now people will start to respect me a little more. The plan was to come out and let him feel my power early. I knew after the first knockdown that it was a matter of time. I didn’t think it would be that easy.”...

2001 – 1ST IBF JF WORLD TITLE DEFENSE - on 10-11-01 in San Francisco, CA, he had a technical draw (6th round) against WBO world champion **Agapito Sanchez** (33-7-1): it was a very dirty fight with continuous mauling and repeated fouls; Manny was cut badly over the right eye in the 2nd round by a clash of heads, and later on his left ear; Sanchez was penalized one point in the 3rd round for pushing the laces of his gloves against Manny’s cut, and another point in the 4th for low blows; Sanchez was also cut over his left eye in the 5th; the referee stopped the fight on Manny’s cut at 1:20 of the 6th round and went to the scorecards - 58-54 Pacquiao, 57-55 Sanchez, 56-56; after the fight, trainer Freddie Roach said, “Tremendous miscarriage of boxing justice. Sanchez repeatedly made intentional fouls.”...

WON IBF JF WORLD TITLE – on 6-23-01 in Las Vegas he won by TKO (6th round) against defending champion **Lehlohonolo Ledwaba** (33-1-1): Manny took the fight on two weeks’ notice and gave a sensational performance - he bloodied Ledwaba’s nose in the 1st round, knocked him down in the 2nd, then rocked him several times in the 3rd and 4th; Manny scored two more knockdowns in the 6th, and the referee stopped the fight without a count at 0:59; after the fight, Manny said, “This is a dream come true. My dream was to be champion again. He did not hurt me at all. He did not even hit me hard. I was in control the entire fight.”...

4TH WBC INTERNATIONAL JF DEFENSE – on 4-28-01 in Kidapawan City, PH, he won by TKO (6th round) against **Kumanpetch Kiatvoraphong** (38-2): it was a wild fight in front of nearly 20,000 fans; Manny was floored by low blows two times in the 4th round, and one time in the 5th, and Kumanpetch was penalized one point; but Manny came back strong in the 6th – he staggered Kumanpetch with a right hand, then rocked him with a series of punches, and the referee stopped the fight at 2:46...

3RD WBC INTERNATIONAL JF DEFENSE – on 2-24-01 in Antipolo, PH, he won by TKO (5th round, 1:06) against **Cholho Kang** (19-4-3): Kang, a North Korean based in Japan, is also known as Tetsutora Senrima...

2000 – 2ND WBC INTERNATIONAL JF DEFENSE –on 10-14-00 in Manila, PH, he won by TKO (10th round) against previously undefeated British Commonwealth champion **Nadel Hussein** (19-0): Hussein, born in Lebanon and based in Australia, fought very aggressively; Hussein scored a knockdown in the 4th round, but was also penalized one point; Manny came back in the 5th round and cut Hussein over and under the left eye, and the fight was eventually stopped on the cuts at 1:48 of the 10th; after nine rounds, Manny led by scores of 87-80, 87-83, 87-85; Hussein and his trainer, former three-time world champion Jeff Fenech, protested bitterly that Manny received a long count after his knockdown and that Hussein's cuts had been ruled from a clash of heads; the crowd threw bottles and coins into the ring and Fenech challenged a heckler to a fight; after the fight, Manny said, "His punches are really strong. This is my toughest fight so far."...

1ST WBC INTERNATIONAL JF DEFENSE – on 6-28-00 in Quezon City, PH, he won by TKO (1st round, 1:42) against previously undefeated **Sungkwon Chae** (23-0)...

1999 – WON WBC INTERNATIONAL JF TITLE – on 12-18-99 in Manila he won by TKO (2nd round) against former Philippines champion and world title challenger **Reynante Jamili** (41-5): the fight headlined at the Fiesta Fistiana, the Philippine Sportswriters Association's annual fund-raiser for retired and disabled boxers; Manny scored three knockdowns, and stopped Jamili in the 2nd round; after the fight, Manny said, "I feel great. I have great trainers who told me to relax and take it slow."...

LOST WBC FL WORLD TITLE – on 9-17-99 in Thammarat, TH, he lost by knockout (3rd round) against **Medgoen Lukchaopormasak** (19-0): Manny lost the title at the weigh-in when he did not make weight, and Medgoen won the vacant title; Medgoen scored a knockdown with a body punch in the 3rd round, and Manny was counted out at 1:32...

1ST WBC FL WORLD TITLE DEFENSE – on 4-23-99 in Manila he won by knockout (4th round) against **Gabriel Mira** (19-7-1): the fight headlined at Araneta Coliseum - the site of the "Thrilla in Manila" in 1975 - and drew 15,000 fans; Mira started fast and rocked Manny two times in the 2nd round, but Manny rallied to knock down Mira later in the round; Manny scored another knockdown in the 3rd, and three more in the 4th, and the referee stopped the fight at 2:45...

1998 – WON WBC FL WORLD TITLE – on 12-4-98 in Phuttamonthon, TH, he won by knockout (8th round) against defending champion **Chatchai Sasakul** (33-1): it was a spectacular one-punch knockout; Sasakul dominated the early rounds with his speed and sharp combination punching, but Manny rocked him in the 4th round; Sasakul recovered quickly and continued to box effectively, but Manny scored a knockdown with a left hand in the 8th round, and Sasakul was counted out at 2:54; after seven rounds, Sasakul led by scores of 70-64, 69-64, 68-65...

WON OPBF FL TITLE – on 6-27-97 in Manila he won by knockout (5th round, 2:46) against **Chokchai Chokwiat** (34-2)...

He debuted at the age of 16 on 1-22-95...

AMATEUR, PERSONAL BACKGROUND: Manny was born in General Santos City, Philippines, and grew up in a family with six children...his parents were vegetable farmers...Manny built a house for his mother close to his own...

When Manny was 14, he moved to Manila...he started boxing and made the Philippines' national amateur team - his room and board were paid for by the federal government, and he reportedly had 64 amateur fights (60-4)...he said, "When I was younger, I watched so many videos of **Larry Holmes, Joe Frazier, George Foreman** and others. I used to rent the videos."...

He turned pro at 16 and won the Oriental-Pacific flyweight title when he was 18; he invited his brother Bobby to come to Manila and took him to the boxing gym...brother Rogel was also a talented boxer, but suffered a head injury in a motorcycle accident and no longer boxes...

Manny has starred in several popular Filipino action movies, and is a successful recording artist...

From wikipedia.com [excerpts]: Pacquiao is married to **Maria Geraldine “Jinkee” Jamora**, and they have four children: Emmanuel Jr. “Jimuel,” Michael, Princess, and Queen Elizabeth “Queenie.” He resides in his hometown General Santos City, South Cotabato, Philippines. However, as a congressman of lone district of Sarangani, he is officially residing in Kiamba, Sarangani, the hometown of his wife.

Pacquiao is also a military reservist with the rank of Sergeant Major for the 15th Ready Reserve Division of the Philippine Army. When younger he had considered becoming a soldier, and was enlisted in the military reserve force as an Army Private.

Pacquiao completed his elementary education at Saavedra Saway Elementary School in General Santos City, but dropped out of high school due to extreme poverty. He left his home at age 14 because his mother, who had six children, was not making enough money to support her family.

At the age of 14, Pacquiao moved to Manila and lived, for a time, on the streets. He started boxing and made the Philippine national amateur boxing team where his room and board were paid for by the government. Pacquiao reportedly had an amateur record of 64 fights (60-4).

In 1995, the death of a young aspiring boxer and close friend **Eugene Barutag** spurred the young Pacquiao to pursue a professional boxing career. Pacquiao started his professional boxing career when he was just 16 years of age, stood at 4'11", and weighed 98 pounds (7 pounds under the minimumweight division). He admitted before American media that he put weights in his pockets to make the 105-pound weight limit.

In February 2007 he took, and passed, a high school equivalency exam making him eligible for college education. He was awarded with a high school diploma by the Department of Education. Pacquiao enrolled for a college degree in business management at Notre Dame of Dadiangas University (NDDU) in his hometown in General Santos City.

On February 18, 2009, Pacquiao was conferred the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Humanities (Honoris Causa) by Southwestern University (SWU) at the Waterfront Hotel and Casino in Lahug, Cebu City in recognition of his boxing achievements and humanitarian work.

In preparation for his career as a lawmaker in the House of Representatives, Pacquiao enrolled in the Certificate Course in Development, Legislation, and Governance at the Development Academy of the Philippines – Graduate School of Public and Development Management (DAP-GSPDM).

A film based on Pacquiao's life, *Pacquiao: The Movie*, was released on June 21, 2006, featuring Filipino actor **Jericho Rosales** as Manny Pacquiao and was directed by **Joel Lamangan**. Pacquiao is featured in the boxing video games *Fight Night Round 2*, *Fight Night Round 3*, *Fight Night Round 4* and *Fight Night Champion*.

Pacquiao became the first Filipino athlete to appear on a postage stamp.

Pacquiao became the first Filipino Olympic non-participant to be Team Philippines' flag-bearer during the August 8 opening ceremonies of the 2008 Summer Olympics at the Beijing National Stadium. Swimmer **Miguel Molina**, 2005 Southeast Asian Games' Best Male Athlete, yielded the honor to Pacquiao, upon the request of President **Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo** to the national sports officials on the Philippines at the 2008 Summer Olympics.

Pacquiao plays basketball as a cross-training to keep himself in shape. He is playing in the semi-professional basketball league, Liga Pilipinas, with the team he owns, the MP-Gensan Warriors. He made his debut in the Smart-Liga Pilipinas Conference II in January 16, 2009. He wears jersey number 17.

Pacquiao has been included by Time Magazine as one of the world's most influential people for the year 2009, for his exploits in boxing and his influence among the Filipino people. Pacquiao was also included by Forbes Magazine in its annual Celebrity 100 list for the year 2009, joining Hollywood actress **Angelina Jolie** and fellow athletes **Tiger Woods** and **Kobe Bryant**. Forbes also listed Pacquiao as the World's 6th Highest Paid Athlete, with a total of 40 Million Dollars (\$40,000,000.00) from the second half of 2008 to the first half of 2009. Tied with him on the sixth spot was the NBA player **LeBron James** and golfer **Phil Mickelson**. Pacquiao was again included in Forbes' list of Highest Paid Athletes from the second half of 2009 to the first half of 2010; he was ranked 8th with an income of \$42 million.

Pacquiao had also won the 2009 ESPY Awards for the Best Fighter category, beating fellow boxer Shane Mosley and Brazilian mixed martial arts fighters **Lyoto Machida** and **Anderson Silva**. [End wikipedia.com item]

From Time Magazine, Asia edition, Nov. 16, 2009, by **Howard Chua-Eoan** and **Ishaan Tharoor** [excerpts]: Pacquiao has a myth of origin equal to that of any Greek or Roman hero. Abandoned by his father and brought up by a tough-as-nails mother, the poor boy who loves to box is rejected by a local squad but then journeys many islands away, to the country's metropolis, Manila, to make it big. Then he leaves the Philippines to make it even bigger, conquering the world again and again to bring back riches to share with his family and friends. Now, in his hometown of General Santos City on the island of Mindanao, he and his family own commercial buildings, a convenience store, cafés and a souvenir shop that sells everything from DVDs of his fights to T-shirts to bobblehead dolls. In Manila, his children attend one of the most exclusive and expensive private schools. He is generous to a fault, spending thousands of dollars a day feeding and entertaining guests. For his last fight, he distributed \$800,000 in tickets to friends.

He left home at 14 because his mother Dionisia, who did odd jobs and factory work and hawked vegetables by roadsides, wasn't really making enough to feed her six children. He had to go off and earn money elsewhere, doing anything to relieve the burden on his mother - even if she wanted him by her side. As it was, he was often absent from school because the family needed him to help sell snacks and trinkets on the potholed lanes where nearly naked children with matted hair still chase rusting bicycle wheels for fun. Pacquiao liked school, correcting and grading his classmates' homework. He "never cheated during a quiz - he wouldn't try to look sideways, this way or that," says one of his schoolteachers from the Saavedra Saway Elementary School. A decent education, however, requires several years and a lot of money. The Pacquios had trouble accumulating even a little.

And so young Manny plotted his trip in secret. **Dionisia Pacquiao** is slender and slight, like her son, and has his easy smile. "Manny has a strong mind and a strong body," she says. "Just like his mother. Except I am stronger." But she was heartbroken when he left for Manila. Dionisia recalls receiving a letter from him "saying how sorry he was [for leaving home] ... I was very, very sad. But after a while, I accepted his destiny."

Pacquiao was not one to pick quarrels. But he did not shy away when friends got into free-for-alls: what he calls, with an almost pop-eyed relish, *bukbukan* - unrestrained fistfighting. He loved boxing. Dionisia recalls an 8-year-old Manny wrapping towels around his hands to mimic gloves. **Rey Gologan**, a General Santos City businessman, remembers the young Pacquiao attending the weekly bouts in the main plaza. "Manny was always there at the fights, waiting to be paired with someone," says Gologan. But his consistency wasn't matched by any obvious talent. "Honestly, I didn't see any potential in Manny. He was just another kid who knew if he won a few fights he might get 100 pesos [less than \$3]," says Gologan. "He was always very courageous and had natural speed and power. But he wasn't a clever boxer ... He was [always] flailing around."

When he got to Manila, Pacquiao first worked as a laborer. His enthusiasm for boxing, however, had him returning to the ring, fighting in run-for-cover, barely legal matches pulled together in one of Manila's cramped suburbs. He lingers over the names of boxers he knew who died after such fights, then moves on. The death of a friend reportedly spurred Pacquiao to turn professional. [End Time Mag. item]

STRENGTHS: A lefthander with good skills, speed, and movement...has good punching power in both hands...physically strong, tough and determined...is always in top condition...is experienced against top opposition...

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: 63 fights...392 total rounds...150 world championship rounds...

AVERAGE LENGTH OF BOUTS: 6.2 rounds...

KNOCKOUT PERCENTAGE: 67 %...

DISTANCE FIGHTS: 12 rounds – 13 (10-2-1)...11 rounds – 1 (1-0)...10 rounds – 5 (5-0)...

THE PROFESSIONAL RECORD OF

MANNY PACQUIAO

SOUTHPAW

KIBAWA, PHILIPPINES

Date of Birth: 12/17/1978

Won-Lost-Draw-KO'S

56 5 2 38

1995

Jan 22	ENTING IGNACIO, MINDORO, PHIL.....	W	4	PRO DEB	106
Mar 18	PINOY MONTEJO, MINDORO, PHIL.....	W	4		107
May 01	ROCKY PALMA, CAVITE, PHIL.....	W	6		107
Jul 01	DELE DECIERTO, MANDALUYONG, PHIL.....	TKO	2		110
Aug 03	FLASH SIMBAJON, MANDALUYONG, PHIL....	W	6		108
Sep 16	ARMAN ROCIL, MANDALUYONG, PHIL.....	KO	3		110
Oct 07	LOLITO LAROA, MAKATI, PHIL.....	W	8		109
Oct 21	RENATO MENDONES, PALAWAN, PHIL.....	TKO	2		109
Nov 11	RODULFO FERNANDEZ, MANDALUYONG, PHIL.	TKO	3		106
Dec 09	ROLANDO TUYOGON, MANILA, PHIL.....	W	10		109

1996

Jan 13	LITO TORREJOS, SUCAT, PHIL.....	TW	5		113
Feb 09	RUSTICO TORRECAMPO, MANDALUYONG, PHIL	KOBY	3		110
Apr 27	MARLON CARILLO, MANILA, PHIL.....	W	10		112
May 20	JUN MEDINA, MANILA, PHIL.....	TKO	4		114
Jun 15	BERT BATILLER, GENERAL SANTOS, PHIL..	TKO	4		116
Jul 27	IPPO GALA, MANDALUYONG, PHIL.....	TKO	2		114
Dec 28	SUNGYUL LEE, MUNTINLUPA, PHIL.....	TKO	2		113

1997

Mar 08	MIKE LUNA, MUNTINLUPA, PHIL.....	KO	1		113
Apr 24	WOOKKI LEE, MAKATI, PHIL.....	KO	1		113
May 30	ARIEL AUSTRIA, ALMENDRAS, PHIL.....	TKO	6		112
Jun 26	CHOKCHAI CHOKWIWAT, MANILA, PHIL.....	KO	5	OPBF	112
Sep 13	MELVIN MAGRAMO, CEBU, PHIL.....	W	10		114
Dec 06	PANOMDEJ YUTHANAKORN, KORONADAL, PHIL	TKO	1	OPBF	111

1998

May 18	SHIN TERAU, TOKYO, JAPAN.....	TKO	1		114
Dec 04	CHATCHAI SASAKUL, PHUTTAMONTHON,	KO	8	WBC	112

1999

Feb 20	TODD MAKELIN, NORTH COTABATO, PHIL...	TKO	3		116
Apr 23	GABRIEL MIRA, MANILA, PHIL.....	KO	4	WBC	111
Sep 17	MEDGOEN LUKCHAOPORMASAK, THAMMARAT,	KOBY	3	WBC	113

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Dec 18 REYNANTE JAMILI, MANILA, PHIL..... TKO 2 WBC/INT 122

2000

Mar 04 ARNEL BAROTILLO, MANILA, PHIL..... TKO 4 WBC/INT 119

Jun 28 SUNGKWON CHAE, QUEZON, PHIL..... TKO 1 WBC/INT 121

Oct 14 NADEL HUSSEIN, MANILA, PHIL..... TKO 10 WBC/INT 121

2001

Feb 24 CHOLHO KANG, ANTIPOLO, PHIL..... TKO 5 WBC/INT 122

Apr 28 KUMANPETCH KIATVORAPHONG, KIDAPAWAN, KO 6 WBC/INT 122

Jun 23 LEHLOHONOLO LEDWABA, LAS VEGAS, NV... TKO 6 IBF 121

Nov 10 AGAPITO SANCHEZ, SAN FRANCISCO, CA... TD 6 BF/BO 120

2002

Jun 08 JORGE JULIO, MEMPHIS, TN..... KO 2 IBF 120

Oct 26 FAHPROAKOB SITHKWENIM, DAVAO, PHIL... TKO 1 IBF 122

2003

Mar 15 SERIKZHAN ESHMAGAMBETOV, MANILA, PHIL TKO 5 126

Jul 26 EMMANUEL LUCERO, LA, CA..... KO 3 IBF 120

Nov 15 MARCO BARRERA, SAN ANTONIO, TX..... TKO 11 125

2004

May 08 JUAN MARQUEZ, LAS VEGAS, NV..... D 12 BA/BF 125

Dec 11 FAHSAN THAWATCHAI, TAGUIG, PHIL..... TKO 4 IBF/ELIM 125

2005

Mar 19 ERIK MORALES, LAS VEGAS, NV..... L 12 WBC/ELIM 129

Sep 10 HECTOR VELAZQUEZ, LA, CA..... KO 6 WBC/INT 130

2006

Jan 21 ERIK MORALES, LAS VEGAS, NV..... TKO 10 WBC/INT 128

Jul 02 OSCAR LARIOS, QUEZON, PHIL..... W 12 WBC/INT 129

Nov 18 ERIK MORALES, LAS VEGAS, NV..... KO 3 WBC/INT 129

2007

Apr 14 JORGE SOLIS, SAN ANTONIO, TX..... KO 8 WBC/INT 128

Oct 06 MARCO BARRERA, LAS VEGAS, NV..... W 12 WBC/INT 130

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2008

Mar 15	JUAN MARQUEZ, LAS VEGAS, NV.....	W(S)	12 WBC	129
Jun 28	DAVID DIAZ, LAS VEGAS, NV.....	TKO	9 WBC	134
Dec 06	OSCAR DE LA HOYA, LAS VEGAS, NV.....	TKO	8	142

2009

May 02	RICHARD HATTON, LAS VEGAS, NV.....	KO	2 IBO	138
Nov 14	MIGUEL COTTO, LAS VEGAS, NV.....	TKO	12 WBO	144

2010

Mar 13	JOSHUA CLOTTEY, ARLINGTON, TX.....	W	12 WBO	145
Nov 13	ANTONIO MARGARITO, ARLINGTON, TX.....	W	12 WBC	150

2011

May 07	SHANE MOSLEY, LAS VEGAS, NV.....	W	12 WBO	145
Nov 12	JUAN MARQUEZ, LAS VEGAS, NV.....	W(M)	12 WBO	143

2012

Jun 09	TIMOTHY BRADLEY, LAS VEGAS, NV.....	L	12 WBO	147
Dec 08	JUAN MARQUEZ, LAS VEGAS, NV.....	KOBY	6	147

2013

Nov 24	BRANDON RIOS, MACAO, CHINA.....	W	12 WBO/INT	145
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2014

Apr 12	TIMOTHY BRADLEY, LAS VEGAS, NV.....	W	12 WBO	145
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CHRIS ALGIERI

Age: 30 (3-2-84)

Residence: Huntington, New York

Birthplace: Huntington, New York

Record: 20-0, 8 KOs

Height: 5'10"

Reach: 72"

Stance: Righthanded

Trainer: Tim Lane

CHRIS ALGIERI (20-0, 8 KOs)...

- WBO jr. welterweight world champion...
- World championship fights: 1-0, 0 KOs...

At the age of 30, Chris is a six-year pro. The WBO junior welterweight world champion, he is a very popular performer in his hometown – before his last fight in Brooklyn, he headlined at the Paramount Theater in Huntington eight consecutive times and drew capacity crowds.

He has his masters degree in clinical nutrition, and plans to attend medical school and become a doctor after concentrating on his boxing career.

Chris won the WBO title in his last fight on June 14 with a 12-round split decision against defending champion **Ruslan Provodnikov** – Chris was a 7 to 1 underdog.

Fightwriter.com's **Graham Houston** reported [excerpts]: Ruslan Provodnikov landed the heavier blows but the name of the game is still boxing, and **Chris Algieri** boxed his way to a split but deserved victory....

This was a resolute and remarkable performance by the former kickboxing champion from Long Island, NY. Down twice in the first round, his right eye swelling shut from below, nose bloody, Algieri had about the worst start to a fight imaginable.

Yet by the second round Algieri was boxing, moving and scoring points as if nothing had happened. Scoring points. That was the key. Algieri looked beaten up but he was throwing and landing more punches than his opponent.

Algieri wasn't exactly tapping his way to victory, either. Some of his jabs were knocking Provodnikov's head back. Algieri ripped some hurtful-looking hooks to the body and landed some solid-looking right hands. He is an excellent instinctive fighter. Even with his right eye compromised, Algieri seemed to be seeing the punches coming until almost the last moments of the contest.

The fight-plan was perfect. It worked. Provodnikov – strong, tough, relentless, heavy-handed – just couldn't pin down Algieri long enough to have a chance of overwhelming him. Provodnikov was the hunter but the quarry was elusive – and hitting back.

As **Steve Weisfeld** pointed out in the HBO commentary, there is no "magic formula" for judges when it comes to deciding whether harder but less-frequent punches count for more than a higher punch-volume. Thus Weisfeld and judge **Max De Luca** had Provodnikov winning 117-109 while judges **Don Trella** and **Tom Schreck** scored it in Algieri's favour by 114-112.

I sensed the fight was very close....

After 10 rounds, you knew that this fight was going right down to the wire, neck and neck – but even with the right eye shut tight, Algieri was landing enough punches to keep the rounds close enough for debate in the home straight.

Andre Ward made the point in the HBO commentary that it is important that a fighter never stops believing in himself even when things are going wrong – and Algieri never lost the belief that he could and indeed would win.

When **Max Kellerman** asked Algieri basically what he proved to the boxing world in this fight, Algieri responded: "I showed who Chris Algieri is."

That he did. [End Houston item]

Chris said, "I did a lot of work a couple of years ago with **Marcos Maidana** – he's the man. I'm bringing my experience with Maidana into all of my fights. There's not that many guys out there that hit as hard as he does.

"Also, Maidana's a lot slicker than he seems. He's a very, very good fighter. I think that's helped me quite a bit, to deal with someone at that level and to see where they're going in the sport and their career. It was really eye-opening for me, and gives me a big boost of confidence.

"I spent the better part of 2012 out in Oxnard, California. I was training in **Robert Garcia's** gym for three camps in 2012. It was a great experience. I went out there for my own camp early in 2012, got really great sparring. And when I came back, I was in **Marcos Maidana's** camp helping him prepare for **Josesito Lopez** and another guy he fought.

"What I got out of that experience, to tell you the truth, it wasn't so much technical. I learned that I belong on the highest levels of the game and that my skill-set was there."

Fight by Fight – 2014 – WON WBO JW WORLD TITLE - in his last fight on 6-14-14 in Brooklyn, NY, he won a 12 round split decision against defending champion Ruslan Provodnikov (23-2): the bout headlined at the Barclays Center; Provodnikov was the huge favorite to win, and it was a good, close fight; Provodnikov started fast and scored two knockdowns in the 1st round – the first with a left hook, the second with a series of punches – and Chris' right eye swelled badly; Provodnikov pressed forward and landed the harder punches, but Chris kept him off-balance with movement and generally outworked him; Chris' eye was swollen shut by the 8th round and his mouth was bloodied, but he continued to outbox and outwork Provodnikov until the final bell; many observers thought Provodnikov's pressure and power were more effective, but the judges scored 114-112, 114-112 Algieri, 117-110 Provodnikov; after the fight, Chris said, "It was a great fight. The big thing was getting out of the first round, to start with. He hit me with a pretty good shot. I took a knee the second time because my lip was numb, I wanted to clear my head and see how my eye was. It wasn't anything he hit me with. The shots in the first round were the most powerful but they were few and far between. I could see pretty well until the eighth round, but by the time we hit round 12 I was blind in that eye. But I was able to anticipate his left hook throughout the fight. I was able to figure out his rhythm. That was the key to my success. I showed the boxing world who Chris Algieri is."...

On 2-14-14 in Huntington, NY, he won a 10 round unanimous decision against **Emanuel Taylor** (17-1): the bout headlined at the Paramount Theater – it drew a capacity crowd, and was a good fight; Taylor pressed forward - Chris kept him off-balance with movement, generally outworked him, and landed the sharper punches, but was cut over his left eye in the 3rd round; Taylor had a few rallies in the middle rounds, but Chris bloodied his nose in the 8th round and finished the fight strongly; scored 97-93, 97-93, 98-92; after the fight, Chris said, "Master boxing won it. We had a game plan going in, and I knew Taylor was a hell of a fighter and a good puncher with a great amateur background. We just tried to keep him moving. Most power punchers need to be set and I just never let him get set. I knew he was going to get tired from missing so much, and the plan was to turn to a hunter and walk him down."...

2013 - on 9-14-13 in Huntington he won by TKO (7th round) against **Wilfredo Acuna** (14-12): the scheduled 8-rounder headlined at the Paramount Theater, and Chris dominated the fight; he consistently outworked Acuna and landed the harder punches; he rocked Acuna repeatedly in the 5th and 6th rounds; Acuna became badly swollen under his right eye in the 7th, and the referee stopped the fight on the injury... On 7-20-13 in Huntington he won a 10 round unanimous decision against lefthanded **Mike Arnaoutis** (24-8-2): the bout headlined at the Paramount Theater; Chris outboxed and outworked Arnaoutis, and dominated most of the fight; Arnaoutis had a few rallies in the early rounds, but slowed his pace as the fight progressed; Arnaoutis's nose was bloodied in the 7th round, and he was cut over his right eye in the 8th; Chris finished the fight strongly and won by scores of 98-92, 98-92, 99-91

On 2-23-13 in Huntington he won a 10 round unanimous decision against **José Peralta** (10-1): the bout was co-featured at the Paramount Theater; Peralta gave a good effort and rocked Chris with a left hook in the 5th round, but Chris generally outboxed and outworked him, and dominated most of the fight; scored 97-93, 96-94, 98-92...

2012 – on 7-28-12 in Huntington he won an 8 round unanimous decision against **Raul Tovar** (10-5-1): the bout headlined at the Paramount Theater, and it was a good, close fight; Tovar pressed forward and kept a busy pace, and Chris boxed and moved and scored with counterpunches; Tovar rocked Chris in the 8th round, but Chris won by scores of 77-75, 77-75, 78-74; after the fight, Chris said, "He was a tough customer, no doubt about it. He kept coming at me, but that's good - I want to be in there with guys that are coming to take my head off. I was aware that I had to be more active than him since he was loading up on a lot of shots. This wasn't anything new to me, I've been 10 rounds before. As for the shot he landed, it was a left hook that he connected with while I was off-balance. I wasn't hurt at all. We made it to the finish line and got the victory, which is what really matters because now we are able to move forward."...

On 3-31-12 in Huntington he won by TKO (3rd round) against **Winston Mathis** (7-4-1): the scheduled 8-rounder headlined at the Paramount Theater, and Chris quickly overpowered him; he wore down Mathis with body punches in the 1st and 2nd rounds; Chris scored a knockdown with a left hook to the body in the 3rd round, and the referee stopped the fight at 0:53; after the fight, Chris said, "Being consistent to the body has always been a part of my game. Mathis had been dropped before from a body shot. Also, at the weigh-in, he looked very drawn. That was all I needed to know."...

On 1-28-12 in Huntington he won an 8 round unanimous decision against **Curtis Smith** (10-5): the bout headlined at the Paramount Theater, and it was a good fight; both gave strong efforts and Smith had a few rallies, but Chris generally outworked him; scored 80-72, 80-72, 78-74...

2011 – on 11-19-11 in Huntington he won a 10 round unanimous decision against **Bayan Jargal** (15-2-3): the bout headlined at the Paramount Theater; Jargal gave a good effort and had some rallies, but Chris consistently landed the sharper punches and dominated most of the fight; he doubled over Jargal with a left hook to the body in the 3rd round, and Jargal was cut over his left eye in the 7th round; scored 97-93, 97-93, 98-92; after the fight, Chris said, "I really thought I had him in the third, but he came out in the fourth like nothing happened and that takes guts! I had seen him take a lot of shots against Breidis Prescott, but I really didn't realize how tough he was until I hit him and he didn't go anywhere."...

On 3-17-11 in Franklin Square, NY, he won by TKO (4th round) against **Julius Edmonds** (7-10): the scheduled 8-rounder headlined at the Plattduetsche Park Restaurant; Edmonds pressed forward, but Chris outboxed him and landed the harder punches; Chris broke his left hand in the 2nd round, but staggered Edmonds with a left hook late in the 3rd, then a knockdown in the 4th round - Edmonds got up, but Chris staggered him again and the referee stopped the fight as Edmonds was falling to the canvas again at 2:24; after the fight, Chris said, "I've been off for fourteen months, and my coaches told me to go out there and enjoy myself. I love being in this ring."...

2010 – on 1-23-10 in New York, NY, he won a 6 round unanimous decision against **James Hope** (4-3): the scheduled 6-rounder was on the undercard of the Juan Manuel Lopez-Sтивен Luevano main event; Hope bloodied Chris's nose and Chris was cut over his right eye in the 3rd round, but he generally outworked Hope and landed the sharper punches; scored 58-56, 58-56, 59-55...

2009 – on 9-18-09 in Yonkers, NY, he won by TKO (3rd round) against **Edward Valdez** (3-6-2): Valdez did not continue after the 3rd round...

On 7-18-09 in Franklin Square he won a 6 round unanimous decision against **José Guzmán** (5-4-1): scored 59-53, 59-53, 60-52...

On 6-5-09 in Westbury, NY, he won a 6 round unanimous decision against **Henri White** (3-2-1): scored 58-56, 58-56, 59-55...

On 5-8-09 in Franklin Square he won by TKO (3rd round) against **Erick Rodriguez** (4-3)...

2008 – on 11-25-08 in Melville, NY, he won a 4 round unanimous decision against **Jason Jordan** (6-27-4): scored 40-35, 40-35, 39-36...

On 9-26-08 in Melville he won by TKO (1st round) against **Clarence Smith** (0-1)...

On 8-1-08 in Brooklyn, NY, he won by TKO (4th round) against **Rakeem Carter** (0-3-3): at 1:50...

On 5-17-08 in Brooklyn he won a 4 round unanimous decision against **Jeradial Figueroa** (1-0): scored 40-34, 40-33, 39-34...

He debuted at the age of 23 on 4-3-08 in Brooklyn and won by TKO (3rd round) against **Kenneth Dunham** (3-4): at 1:54...

AMATEUR, PERSONAL BACKGROUND: Chris said, "I was born in Huntington, New York, raised there, still live there. I have one older brother. He's an NYPD police officer. His name is **Michael Algieri**, he's 35. He's actually a detective and he works in Brooklyn. My mother works in ER as a unit secretary. My father works for the highway department. I'm the only boxer in the family – the first that we know of. My dad didn't box. He bowled.

"I started kickboxing -- competitively, I had my first fight when I was about 15. I had about five amateur kickboxing fights, and about 20 pro kickboxing fights. I won two of the major titles. The most universally recognized world title in kickboxing is the ISKA. I won that at welterweight, 147 pounds. Prior to that, I won the WKA – World Kickboxing Association – title at one weight class above, 154. I was undefeated as a pro kickboxer.

"Boxing was always my first love. I set my goals at a very young age in kickboxing. Once I got that ISKA world title, I was undefeated, I was a world champion in two weight classes, I fought everybody around my weight. There was no money in the sport at that point. It just didn't make sense to stick around, and I made a change to boxing.

"I had my last kickboxing fight at 23, retired from that, and then had my first boxing fight the next year at 24. I had zero amateur boxing fights. The first boxing fight I had was my pro debut. I fought my last kickboxing fight in October, and made my pro boxing debut the next April."...

Chris graduated with honors from Stony Brooke University and received his Bachelor's degree in healthcare science; he received his Masters degree in clinical nutrition from New York Institute of Technology; he plans to become a doctor...

He said, "I definitely want to continue my education. It's just difficult now at this point in my boxing career -- it's getting pretty heavy. I'm trying to focus on that now while I can. To become a doctor, it would be another four years, then a residency -- it's a long time. From the physicians I've spoken to, you usually figure out what kind of doctor you want to be once you're in the rotation. Then you get to see it first-hand. But I have my nutrition background. I did that on purpose, because I wanted to be more of a pro-active and new-age kind of health care provider, not so much on drugs, using more natural remedies -- nutrition and fitness, rather than the next new drug. I think it's the future of medicine, to tell you the truth. It's much more affordable. It just hasn't been accepted quite yet.

"I work currently as a nutritionist. I do personal training, boxing training, fitness training.

"I'm actually ambidextrous. My initial coach, actually my martial arts instructor, put me as a righty. I can write either way. I bat lefty, swing a golf club lefty, but I throw a pitch righty. I can throw a pretty tight spiral with either hand.

"I'm single, no kids. I'm really tight-knit with my family. I live at home with my mom and dad and my brother, Michael, and his wife and three kids. My nephews have been at all of my fights. We're very close, and that's important to me. My nephews – the oldest is Michael, then Tony, then Dominic."...

STRENGTHS: Has good skills and movement...a good body puncher...at his best, he outboxes and outworks his opponents, and wears them down...is experienced against very good opposition...

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: 20 fights...122 total rounds...12 world championship rounds...

AVERAGE LENGTH OF BOUTS: 6.1 rounds...

KNOCKOUT PERCENTAGE: 40 %...

DISTANCE FIGHTS: 12 rounds – 1 (1-0)...10 rounds – 4 (4-0)...

THE PROFESSIONAL RECORD OF
CHRISTOPHER MARK ALGIERI

HUNTINGTON, NY
Date of Birth: 03/02/1984

Won-Lost-Draw-KO'S
20 0 0 8

2008

Apr 03	KENNETH DUNHAM, BROOKLYN, NY.....	TKO	3	PRO DEB	148
May 17	JERADIAEL FIGUEROA, BROOKLYN, NY.....	W	4		146
Aug 01	RAKEEM CARTER, BROOKLYN, NY.....	TKO	4		146
Sep 26	CLARENCE SMITH, MELVILLE, NY.....	TKO	1		145
Nov 25	JASON JORDAN, MELVILLE, NY.....	W	4		144

2009

May 08	ERICK RODRIGUEZ, FRANKLIN SQUARE, NY.	TKO	3		143
Jun 05	HENRI WHITE, WESTBURY, NY.....	W	6		143
Jul 18	JOSE GUZMAN, FRANKLIN SQUARE, NY.....	W	6		140
Sep 18	EDWARD VALDEZ, YONKERS, NY.....	TKO	3		141

2010

Jan 23	JAMES HOPE, NY, NY.....	W	6		140
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2011

Mar 17	JULIAS EDMONDS, FRANKLIN SQUARE, NY..	TKO	4		141
Nov 19	BAYANMUNKH BAYANJARGAL, HUNTINGTON,	W	10		142

2012

Jan 28	CURTIS SMITH, HUNTINGTON, NY.....	W	8		143
Mar 31	WINSTON MATHIS, HUNTINGTON, NY.....	TKO	3		141
Jul 28	RAUL TOVAR, HUNTINGTON, NY.....	W	8		142

2013

Feb 23	JOSE PERALTA, HUNTINGTON, NY.....	W	10		143
Jul 20	MICHAIL ARNAOUTIS, HUNTINGTON, NY....	W	10		143
Sep 14	WILFREDO ACUNA, HUNTINGTON, NY.....	TKO	7		142

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