

Tickets On Sale For Curry-McCrory Battle At Las Vegas Hilton



Donald Curry

Tickets are now on sale for the Donald Curry-Milton McCrory world welterweight unification fight, scheduled for the Las Vegas Hilton's Hilton Center on Friday, December 6.

Demand for seats for the battle between the two unbeaten 147-pound champions is extremely brisk, especially from the Dallas-Ft. Worth and Detroit areas, the fighters' hometowns. Good locations are available in all price ranges, starting at \$250 for ringside, and going through \$150, \$100, \$50 and \$20.

All 9,000 seats at the Hilton will have a perfect, unobstructed view of the action of the most important welterweight confrontation since Sugar Ray Leonard and Thomas Hearns squared off in Las Vegas more than four years ago. Curry, the WBA champion, sports a 23-0 (18 KOs) record, while WBC titleholder McCrory has a ring mark of 27-0-1, with 22 knockouts.

Tickets may be purchased at the Special Events Ticket Office, in the Las Vegas Hilton lobby, daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. American Express, Mastercard and Visa are accepted, as well as personal checks. To order tickets by mail, enclose a check or money order payable to Top Rank and send to Special Events Ticket Office, Las Vegas Hilton, 3000 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, NV 89109. For more information, call the Ticket Office at 702/732-5320.

The Dula Community Center, 430 E. Bonanza Road invites you to participate in our Noon Day Stretch Exercise Classes. If you want to firm up and shape up, this course is for you. The class is free each Monday, Wednesday and Friday from noon to 1:00 p.m. For more information call 386-6307.

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Triple Bill For Arm Wrestlers At Imperial Palace

Strength, timing and will to win are the three essential ingredients in any athletic contest, but rarely does one see them so clearly as in the sport of arm wrestling. And rarely does the public have the opportunity to enjoy the sport as much as during the tournaments staged at the Imperial Palace.

Coming up Sunday, November 24th will be a triple bill guaranteed to thrill arm wrestling fans. Pro baseball players will battle for personal glory (and substantial prize money) as well as the honor of their teams. The big men of the sport, the heavyweights (265 pounds and under) will compete for the Professional Mens World Championship, and profession women arm wrestlers will face each other in a special "Tournament of Champions."

Sixteen pro baseball teams will be represented in the event. Eight teams are sending teams of two men and eight other teams are sending a single representative. Each man competes in his proper weight division, 195# and under or 196# and over.

The pro mens event is generating a great deal of interest, especially the "grudge match" between Virgil Arciero, champion for the last eight years, and Edward Arnold, runner-up three times to Arciero. Both men have the distinction of defeating the world super heavyweight champion Clevé Dean (6'8" 485#) in 1983.

Twelve women will compete for berths in the world championship tournament to be held at the Imperial Palace in June, 1986. Several of the competitors faced each other in the hotly contested tournament held at the hotel in June, 1985. The "women to watch" are Lori Cole, 1982 champ, Maria Badaloni, a bellperson at the Imperial Palace, and Kathy Dudley, a cocktail waitress in Las Vegas. Another strong competitor is Kristin Peterson who appears on the television show "Who's the Boss?"

The event, hosted by the Imperial Palace, is presented by Arm Wrestling International and is coordinated by Tony Celeste, President of AWI. Corporate sponsor is Van Melle, Inc., maker of "Mentos," a candy with a unique chewy center. The Holland-based company has U.S. headquarters in Erlanger, Kentucky and markets Mentos, Fruitella and other fine confectionary products.

On Saturday, November 23rd the pro baseball players will be available to meet their fans for picture taking and will sign autographs in the Dynasty room on the fourth floor of the Imperial Palace. Time for the autograph party is 1:30 p.m.

Doors open to the showroom for the tournaments at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 24th. Admission is free. Hot dogs and beverages will be for sale for the convenience of sports fans who don't want to miss any of the action once the tournament gets under way.

Las Vegas Hilton Pays Half Million Dollars On Sunday



WHOLE LOT A DOUGH -- Alex Freihofer, of Fort Mitchell, Ky., drew five 7's on a Las Vegas Hilton progressive dollar slot machine to win \$250,000 on Sunday. A baker by trade, Freihofer was attending the International Baking Industry Exposition, 1985. He's the 23rd person to qualify for Hilton's Fourth Annual Pot-O-Gold Slot Championship, slated for April, 1986 at the Reno Hilton.

The Las Vegas Hilton was the scene of a tandem assault on its progressive dollar slots Sunday when the resort paid out a total of a half million dollars in super jackpots to a California resident and a Kentucky man within 11 hours of each other.

It started at 9:45 a.m., when Harold Sarkazian, of Panorama City, Calif., drew five 7's on the third row of a Las Vegas Hilton progressive dollar slot machine to win \$250,000. Sarkazian had played the machine for eight hours and dropped approximately \$700 before hitting the Pot-O-Gold jackpot.

The 44-year-old auto body mechanic, who has been coming to Las Vegas for the last 10 years, said that he was not surprised at winning the large sum.

"I was not shocked because I was used to losing and I knew that one day I was going to hit it," he said. "I've been dreaming of this for so many years and finally my dream came true."

Sarkazian said he plans to take a trip to Hawaii with the money and he hopes to open his own auto body shop.

The second side of the assault came at 8:20 p.m., when Alex Freihofer, of Fort Mitchell, Ky., deposited \$20 in a progressive dollar slot machine and hit \$250,000.

Freihofer said that he drew the five 7's on the third row of the machine after only nine minutes of play.

"I pulled the handle and the machine paid me two cherries. Then I saw all those sevens, but no bells were ringing. I wasn't sure how much money I had won," he said. "I called the change girl over and said 'shouldn't this pay something, that's when she gave out a yell.'"

Freihofer, a baker by trade, was visiting Las Vegas during the International Baking Industry Exposition, 1985. He's married with two children.

Sarkazian and Freihofer are the 22nd and 23rd persons to qualify for the Hilton's Fourth Annual Pot-O-Gold Slot Championship to be held in April, 1986 at the Reno Hilton.

To date, the Pot-O-Gold slot program has paid out over \$5 million for this year alone.

La Romana Hair Design is holding a "Cut-a-Thon" Sunday, November 24, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., at their salon in the Liberace Plaza, 1775 E. Tropicana. All proceeds from the event will go to the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation. Special prices for the day will include Shampoo and Cut, \$10; manicures \$5; facials \$15. For additional information, contact manager Rick Moore, at 736-4033.