

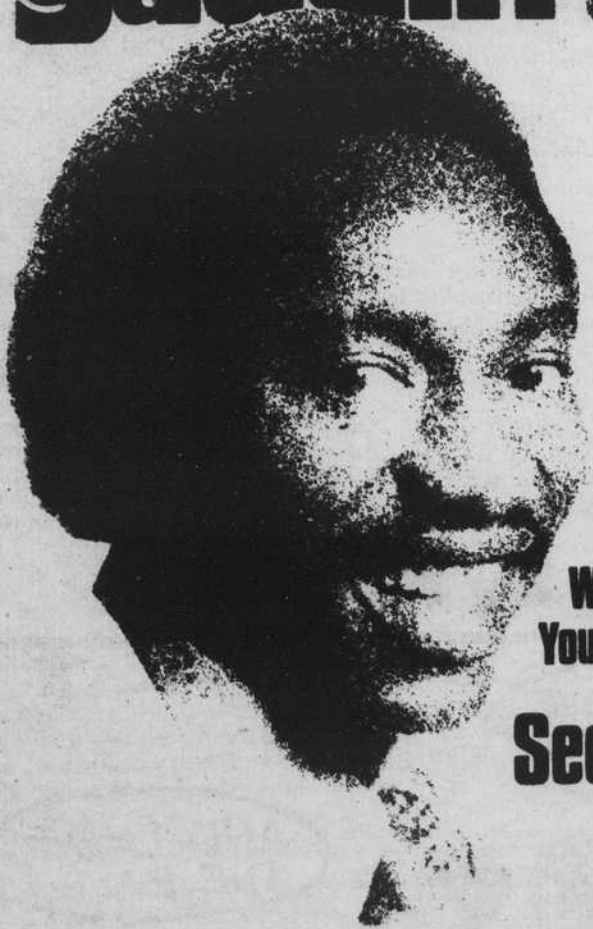
# SPORTS



The stars came out en masse recently for the Black Athletes Hall of Fame Banquet & Dinner held at New York's plush Waldorf Astoria Hotel. This year's winners were Frank Robinson (Baseball Division), former Harlem Globetrotter Nathaniel "Sweetwater" Clifton (Basketball Division), Floyd Patterson (Boxing Division), Josh Culbreath and Wyomia Tyus (Track & Field Division). Special Awards were given to Joe Namath and Pele. The Bill Cosby Award was given to New York Knick commentator Cal Ramsey and a Special Appreciation Award was given to Dr. Barringer of Gulf & Western Industries. Talent Coordinator, Ruth Innis, assembled some of the best in the business to perform for the occasion. Pictured are four members of the fabulous Spinners with Philadelphia International superstar Teddy Pendergrass (c), and ABC Sports Commentator, Howard Cosell. Additional performers included Epic Recording star Melba Moore and Drummer Buddy Rich.

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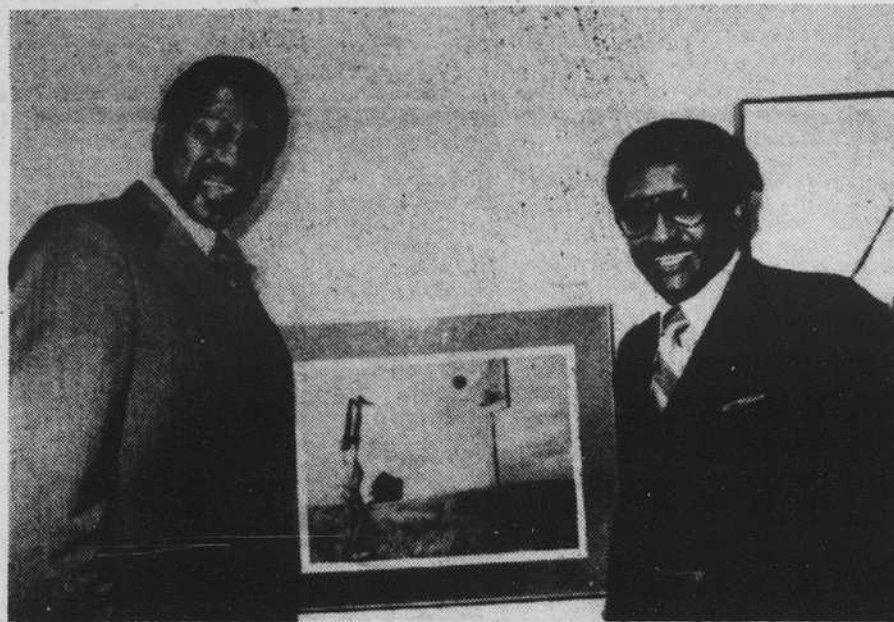
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Willis Reed, coach of the N.Y. Knicks, admires the painting he purchased at the "Athlete as Artist" exhibition at the Spectrum Gallery in New York for the benefit of the Gaucho Basketball Fund which is building a basketball and recreational center in Harlem. The painting by Ernie Barnes (right), who was an offensive guard with the San Diego Chargers, depicts a basketball hopeful practicing in a rural setting. Willis, from Bernice, La., said it reminded him of his boyhood days. The exhibition, assembled by Georgiana Bronfman, wife of Seagram chairman Edgar M. Bronfman, also featured the works of Rosey Grier, George Nock, Tom Heinsohn, Tug McGraw, Jim Bouton, Killer Kowalski, Rocky Graziano, Toller Cranston, Don Hasselbeck and Ken MacAfee.

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