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The National Football Foundation Charter

The Foundations cornerstone, the recognition of the Scholar-Athlete, who Strives to excel in the classroom, community and football field, makes us proud of these 37 young men with us tonight. 37! From the vast Los Angeles area, where there are many activities and distractions that could have led these young men to pro-crastinate the opportunities that are offered to achievers and leaders. Chapters 1/3 our size set lower standards honor many more young men than our Chapter, but we insist on maintaining our rigid requirements. These young men chose to compete in honors courses in Math English, Physics, Chemistry and Biology. We are proud to present their names to the Hall of Fame in South Bend, IN, where you will be able to access their name when you visit the museum.

We encourage each of you to join our Chapter and contribute to encouraging our youth to make the right decisions in their formative years. Great leaders have left us with words of wisdom and one of football's greatest coaches - Knute Rockne, set high standards for CHARACTER and ATTITUDE. Referring to a summary of his outlook on the game of football - "Dear Lord - In the life, I ask for a field that is fair, A chance that is equal in life. The courage to do and to dare. If I should win, let it be by the code....My faith and my honor held high. If I should lose, let me stand by the road - And cheer as the winner rides by.

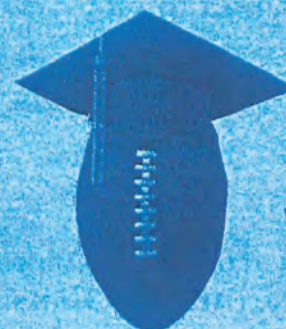
The National Football Foundation
And College Hall of Fame
John Ferraro Los Angeles Chapter

The Forty Second Annual Scholar Athlete Awards Banquet

Radisson Inn
Culver City, CA

March 11, 2005

*Recognizing 37 Los Angeles Area
Young Men for their Sacrifice and Dedication
To their Education, Family, Community
and Representatives of their School.*



Play It Smart

FAR BETTER IT IS TO DARE MIGHTY THINGS, TO WIN
GLORIOUS TRIUMPHS, EVEN THOUGH CHECKERED
WITH FAILURE, THAN TO TAKE RANK WITH THOSE
POOR SPIRITS WHO NEITHER ENJOY MUCH OR SUFFER
MUCH, BECAUSE THEY LIVE IN THE GREY TWILIGHT
THAT KNOWS NOT VICTORY OR DEFEAT.
PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT

Tonight's Game Plan

Welcome

Carver Shannon

Program Chair

Charles Carr - Carver Shannon

National Anthem

Norm Williams - Guests

Master of Ceremonies

Buddy Farmer

Pledge of Allegiance

Honored Guests

Invocation

Rev. Rosey Grier, All American, All Pro

Life Time Achievement Award

Presented by Dick Bass

Our Esteemed Guest - Ollie Matson

NFF - HOF Representative

Robert Keropian

Guest Speaker

Rosey Grier

Presentation of Scholar Athlete Awards

Buddy Farmer - Announcer

Presenters

Reggie Berry - Founder Goals For Life

Dick Bass - All American

Marlin McKeever - All American USC

Outstanding Scholar Athlete Award

Buddy Farmer

UPON THE FIELDS OF FRIENDLY STRIFE ARE SOWN THE
SEED THAT UPON OTHER FIELDS, ON OTHER DAYS WILL
BEAR THE FRUITS OF VICTORY. General Douglas McArthur



OLLIE MATSON - An American Icon - a complete Human Being - that accompanies his unequalled Athletic & Civic accomplishments. Olympic Gold Medal winner in 1952 Olympics, College and Pro football Hall of Fame - always available for our youth

Because the game was based on ball control, only 15 to 20 passes were thrown per game, permitting the defense to key on him. Yet in his abbreviated time to get into football shape, he was Rookie of the Year, All Pro and starred in the Pro Bowl. He was drafted into the army and missed the 1953 season. It did not take long for him to get into shape and lead the league

He spends his time with his devoted wife Mary and his four children and eight grandchildren. We are honored to be in the presence of such an outstanding human being.

Success is never final - Failure is never fatal. Joe Paterno
If you come to the fork in the road - take it. Yogi Berra

Tonight marks the Forty-Second meeting of the Los Angeles Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame. Our Chapter has the largest number of high schools, 110, and is the most selective of any Chapter for the requirements to be honored. This year we had excellent response from the coaches and thus we have the largest number of young men to be honored – 371 – representing 24 High Schools. Last year we had 22 honorees. We would like to first compliment the coaches who spend endless hours preparing these young men for the physical rigors of the sport and at the same time emphasizing the need to excel in the classroom and be dedicated to their community. Each school administration is to be complimented for their efforts and prove that education – like anything else in life can be successful with desire, dedication, hard work and sacrifice. Parents can take this opportunity to be outwardly proud of their son and the guidance that they fostered.

OUR 37 SCHOLAR ATHLETES

| <u>STUDENT</u> | <u>HIGH SCHOOL</u> | <u>COACH</u> |
|----------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Johnathon Allen | El Rancho | Willie Reyna |
| Matthew Appenfelder | Loyola | Steve Grady |
| Adrian Arellano | El Rancho | Willie Reyna |
| Eric Bernath | Redondo Union | Gene Simon |
| Kenneth Brown | St. John Bosco | Kiki Mendoza |
| Michael Bruccoleri | Bishop Montgomery | Arnold Ale |
| Reginald Carter | Crenshaw | Robert Garrett |
| Joshua Catron | Torrance | Rock Hollis |
| Keith Charles | Dorsey | Paul Knox |
| Dylan Cohen | Palisades Charter | Leo Castro |
| Anthony De Martinis | Notre Dame | Kevin Rooney |
| Octovio Dominguez | Loyola | Steve Grady |
| Michael Drachkovitch | Notre Dame | Kevin Rooney |
| Russell Ellis | Crenshaw | Robert Garrett |
| Kevin Ellison | Redondo Union | Gene Simon |

| <u>STUDENT</u> | <u>HIGH SCHOOL</u> | <u>COACH</u> |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Johnny Espinoza | El Rancho | Willie Reyna |
| Britton Ertman | Mira Costa | Don Morrow |
| Casey Frost | Loyola | Steve Grady |
| Gavril Gabriel | Downey | Grant Warhurst |
| Juan Garcia | Paramount | Art Tavizon |
| Daniel Hernandez | Lakewood | Mike Chistensen |
| Christopher Jackson | Palos Verdes | Patrick Fresch |
| David Knight | Carson | Rowen Tupuivao |
| Derek Kuwahara | South Torrance | John Waybright |
| Aleksey Lanis | Crenshaw | Robert Garrett |
| Jeremy Lawson | Peninsula | Tony Uruburu |
| Eric Lorig | Peninsula | Tony Uruburu |
| Anthony Mendez | El Rancho | Willie Reyna |
| Robelin Montemayor | Cantwell Sacred* | Pete Smolin |
| Luis Orozco | St. John Bosco | Kiki Mendoza |
| Dario Padilla | Bell Gardens | David Ramos |
| Juan Perez | Santa Fe | Jack Mahlstede |
| Michael Roy | La Serna | Ken La Vignie |
| Baru Sanchez | Huntington Park | Leroy Wilson |
| Samuel Kussin Shoptaw | Brentwood | Patrick Brown |
| Steven Stout | Torrance | Rock Hollis |
| Thomas Weber | Loyola | Steve Grady |

"It is a reality that men are competitive and the most competitive games draw the most competitive men. That's why they are there – to compete. They know the rules and the objective when they are in the game. The objective is to win – fairly, squarely, decently and by the rules – but to win. I firmly believe that in man's finest hour – the moment when he has worked his heart out in a good cause and at games end, he lays exhausted on the field of battle – victorious." Vince Lombardi. And as a heads up warning to all athletes – cherish your youthful body, as football has a way of making aging unpleasant, with aches and pains in your every joint.