



James Toney (l) and Michael Rush (photo by Gerry Lewin)



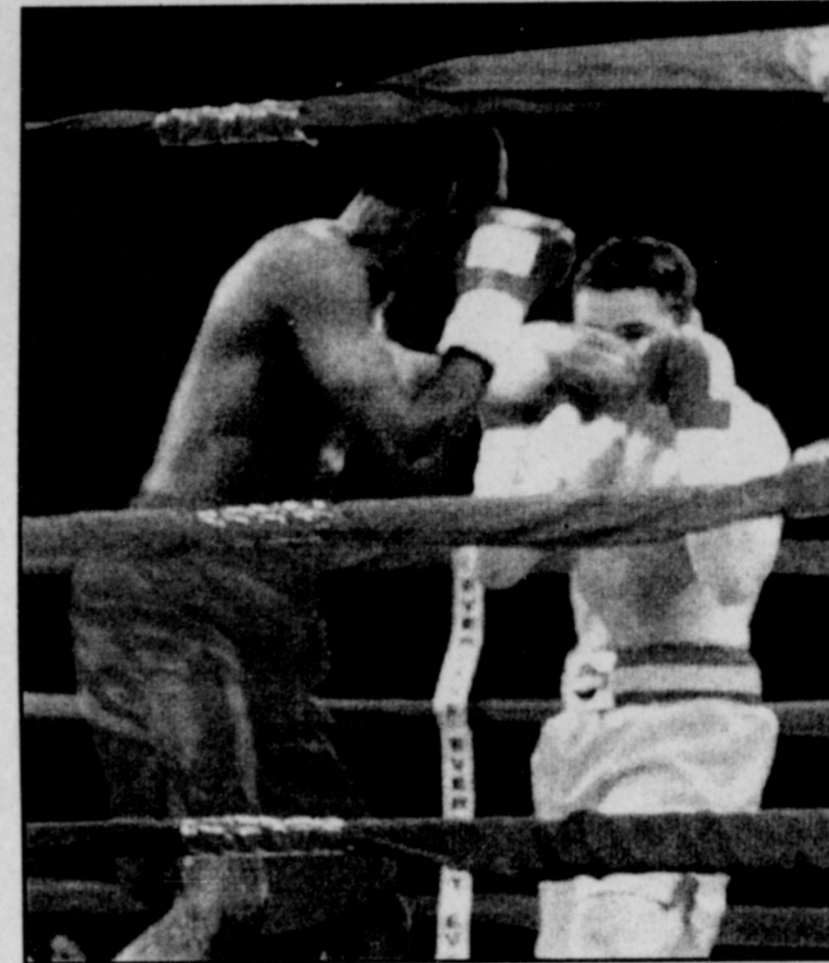
ESPNII ringside commentators Teddy Atlas (l) and Joe Tessitore



## Commotion at the Ocean III Rocks Chinook Winds Casino

Adrenaline ran high for the approximately 1,700 spectators in the nearly sold-out crowd during Commotion at the Ocean III at Chinook Winds Casino on May 31.

Televised live nationally on ESPNII, Commotion at the Ocean III was a Sugar Ray Leonard production. The boxing legend spent several days in and around the casino promoting the fights. The fight card consisted of two main events and four undercard bouts.



Darrell Woods (l) and Tony Badaea

The first co-main event pitted former NABU world junior middleweight title holder Darrell Woods of St. Petersburg, Fla., against former Canadian junior middleweight champion and former British Commonwealth title holder Tony Badaea of Los Angeles. Woods' record was 19-6-0 with 14 KOs while Badaea held a record of 25-4-1 with 15 KOs.

The junior middleweights both weighed in at 154 pounds. The bout, scheduled for 10 rounds, was stopped at 2:27 in the seventh, with Darrell Woods winning by TKO.

In the second co-main event of the evening, James "Lights Out" Toney, of Detroit, Mich., and Michael Rush from Tampa, Fla., hit the canvas for a 10-round bout in the cruiserweight division.

Toney, a former four-time world champion, held a record of 65-4-2 with 40 KOs. Former National Boxing Association cruiserweight champion Michael Rush's record was at 23-5-1 with 13 KOs. Rush weighed in at 188 pounds, with Toney sporting a weight advantage at 197 pounds. The bout was stopped at 2:10 in the 10<sup>th</sup> round with Toney the victor.

The four undercard matches included several contenders from the Northwest duking it out. Although some of the fighters were fairly new to pro boxing, the crowd watched with excitement as the young gladiators tested their skill. Results of the undercard fights were:

- ✦ The first undercard bout featured 147-pound Darrell Sukerow of Edmondton, Canada, vs. 148-pound Eduardo Mendivil of Hemet, Calif., in a welterweight bout. Mendivil won by unanimous decision.
- ✦ Junior middleweights William Chapman from Portland, Ore., and Jeff Haran of Seattle, Wash., went head to head in the second undercard bout. Chapman won by unanimous decision.
- ✦ The super middleweight division was represented by local favorite Victor Branson of Willamina, Ore., and Mark Woolnaugh of Qualicum Beach, Canada. Woolnaugh won by unanimous decision.
- ✦ The final undercard bout pitted James Partch of Boring, Ore., against Louis Sargeant of Richmond, British Columbia, in the light heavyweight division. Sargeant won by unanimous decision.

### Mentoring Program Begins

A formal mentoring/protégé program designed specifically for Siletz Tribal members will be implemented at Chinook Winds Casino this month.

When Chinook Winds was first envisioned by the Siletz Tribal Council, some of the main goals were to provide jobs to all tribal members seeking employment, provide a means for tribal members to advance within the organization, and promote the growth of tribal staff into management positions.

After years of work on developing a program to achieve these goals, the Siletz Tribe and Chinook Winds management are pleased to announce that the mentoring/protégé program is

beginning. The first protégé will begin a three-year rotation in early July.

For employees who are not Siletz Tribal members but are interested in additional management training, the casino continues to offer the Manager in Training (MIT) program.

The formal Management and Leadership Development and Mentor/Protégé Development programs are being implemented for strategic and tactical reasons associated with one of the most, if not the most, important assets of any organization—its people. General Manager Jim Kikumoto believes that such programs will provide growth opportunities for current and prospective staff within the local communities and especially the tribal membership.