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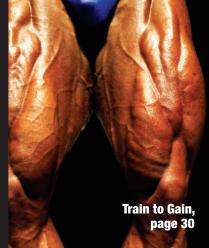
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John Balik's Publisher's Letter

Making History

Because Peary and Mabel Rader, who founded *Iron Man* in 1936, had such a profound influence on the world of muscle, strength and fitness and such a prominent place in this publication's history, I feel a strong responsibility to illuminate and incorporate the history of the iron game where it seems appropriate. As part of the *IRON MAN* Pro/FitExpo Weekend, I created an award in their names to celebrate those individuals who, like the Raders, have made significant contributions to our world. Vince Gironda, Joe Weider and Jack LaLanne are a few of the legends we've honored. This year we will posthumously add Mickey Hargitay to the list.



Hargitay always had vision, both as a competitor in the '50s and as a friend, confidant and benefactor of many in our world throughout his life. Like Arnold, who played him in "The Jayne Mansfield Story," Mickey remained involved and never forgot that bodybuilding had been his stepping-stone to all that came after it. He loved it dearly and never stopped promoting it.

Last summer, I had the honor of presenting to him the Muscle Beach Hall of Fame Award, and for anyone who was there to see and hear him, it was a moving experience. Hargitay was one of Arnold's heroes, and Arnold, his fellow immigrant, used the same pathway to success through bodybuilding as he had. Mickey's acceptance speech showed not only his great love of bodybuilding but also his love for the United States and the opportunities it gave him. The speech was patriotic in the best sense of the word.

Mickey passed away on September 14, 2006, and Gene Mozée has written a tribute to him, which appears on page 248. Mickey will receive the '07 Peary and Mabel Rader Lifetime Achievement Award at the *IRON MAN* Pro in Pasadena on February 17.

Mike Mentzer has a strong following as one of the modern pioneers of high-intensity/short-duration training, but not everyone embraces his theories. This magazine, which from its beginning espoused hard, brief workouts in contrast to the marathons of the so-called champs that were promoted by others, realizes the value of his philosophy as part of an overall approach to training. *IRON MAN* is unique in that we feature a variety of training techniques because we've found that there is no universal routine that brings optimum results to everyone. (You'll find Heavy Duty, John Little's monthly discussion of Mentzer's training theories, on page 206.)

Again, history is important—the various training methods didn't just pop into being but evolved as experience and science expanded our knowledge. Steve Holman's experience—and his creative mind—have brought forth two additions to the arsenal of effective training weapons: His Positions of Flexion gives everyone a clear path to total muscular development, and his more recent exploration of X Reps has pinpointed the science on why POF—and X Reps—work. Read "3D Calf Training," which starts on page 136, for more on his breakthrough ideas.

If you've found a system through your own experience that has brought you exceptional results, we'd like to hear about it. Please write to me at ironleader@aol.com. For more than 70 years *IRON MAN* has been the go-to source for training info. As we say, "We know training." **IM**

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