



## **ROYCE FEOUR (Class of 1957)**

Royce Feour graduated from LVHS in 1957. He was inducted into the Southern Nevada Sports Hall of Fame in 2006.

Royce Feour is a legend in Nevada sports reporting. For more than 35 years, he covered all angles of boxing and sports for the Las Vegas Sun and Las Vegas Review-Journal. Feour started his career in journalism while attending LVHS, at the age of 14 when he covered prep sports for the Review-Journal and the High School Sports Association. He continued writing about sports at the University of Nevada-Reno with the support of two journalism scholarships. He became the editor of the school paper, and a correspondent for the Reno Evening Gazette and the Nevada State Journal.

After he graduated, Feour worked for 5 years at the Las Vegas Sun, where he became sports editor. He reported on the first football and baseball games at then-Nevada Southern University — now UNLV. Feour fondly recalls the first UNLV-UNR football game in 1969. It was so dark in Mackay Stadium, which didn't have lights at the time, that you couldn't tell whether the kick was good from the press box. Feour covered the recruitment of UNLV basketball coach Jerry Tarkanian, who lost his first game and offered to quit that same night. The offer was declined, and Tarkanian went on to win 509 games in 19 seasons, and an NCAA championship in 1990. He prides himself as a sportswriter, but he was also a newspaper man. When an earthquake struck San Francisco and rocked the upper deck of Candlestick Park while he was covering game 3 of the 1988 World Series, Feour got on the phone and dictated a story about the quake.

Feour is best known for covering boxing in Las Vegas. He has reported on nearly every major championship fight in the city, going back to the Sonny Liston-Floyd Patterson heavyweight title bout at the Las Vegas Convention Center in 1963. He has chronicled the careers of boxing legends such as Muhammed Ali, Lennox Lewis, Roy Jones, Evander Holyfield, Riddick Bowe, Julio Cesar Chavez, Roberto Duran, Larry Holmes, Mike Tyson, Sugar Ray Leonard, Marvin Hagler, Roy Jones Jr., Thomas Hearns and Oscar de La Hoya.

For his incredible body of work, Feour has earned several Nevada Press Association awards and was named Writer of the Year by the North American Boxing Federation. He was the Las Vegas Boxing Hall of Fame's Local Media Man of the Year. And in 1996,

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Feour’s exceptional skills and lasting devotion to his trade are remarkable. He is truly one of the heavyweights of the Nevada press. He retired from the Review-Journal in 2004

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