

ERIC ALWAN (Media Category)



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EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Publicity Director, Sunland Park Race Track and Casino.

Currently employed with Race Track. A main purpose of my position is to maintain a consistent presence in the local media with news articles, feature stories, public speaking engagements, radio productions, as well as extensive experience as a Track Announcer. I write, coordinate and produce track newsletters and annual media guides. I am frequently called upon by local TV stations for live interviews. My office transmits news data directly into computer systems of the El Paso Times. My employment with Sunland Park began in 1987. 24-year span of Media Relations.

Track Announcer, Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino.

Acted as the voice for the \$2 million All-American Futurity, the world's richest Quarter Horse race for 2000 and 2001. My race calls have frequently been featured nationally on ESPN's "Racehorse Digest." My duties also included hosting a nightly television replay show and conducting educational seminars.

Track Announcer (Various Parks)

Lone Star Park, Dallas, Texas
Retama Park, San Antonio, Texas
Sunland Park Race Track and Casino, Sunlad Park, New Mexico
Delta Downs, (border of Houston, Texas and Louisiana
Downs at Albuquerque, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Sun Ray Park, Farmington, New Mexico
Arapahoe Park. Denver, Colorado

Alwan is currently the Announcer for Sun Ray Park in Farmington, New Mexico
Alwan also announces at the Albuquerque Downs in Albuquerque, New Mexico

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Graduated from Coronado High School in 1982, ranked 12th in a class of 642 (top 2%).

Graduated (1987) from Rice University with a B.A. in the Behavioral Sciences.

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Special Accomplishments

Ranked among the top five in Men's Open Tennis Singles in the Southwest Region during 1993.

Won the El Paso Open Singles title in 1990, 1992, 1995, and 1996.

Earned a Southwest Open title in 1984. Became a member of the Rice University

Varsity Tennis Team in 1986. Won the Sun City Open Singles Championship in 1995.

Won over 100 Open titles in the Southwest between 1984 and 1997.

(1975 – 1977) First minor to appear on the "Tomorrow Show" with Tom Snyder as a horse racing authority. While living in El Paso, Texas. (age 11) started due to story by Ray Sanchez, El Paso Herald Post

Appeared on "Good Morning America,"

Appeared on ABC-TV's "Saturday Night News with Ted Koppel,

Appeared on "The \$128,000 Question" won \$16,000 which he used for college

Appeared on "The Mike Douglas Show" (with Telly Savalas, Neil Sedaka, Fred Astaire, Walter Matthau, Gene Kelly.)

Appeared on "To Tell the Truth." With Joe Garagiola as Host

I was profiled in full length articles in the New York Times, Los Angeles Times, Chicago Tribune, New York Daily News and People Magazine.

National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, Rotary Youth Leadership Award and Who's Who Among American High School Students.

2008 Bob Haynsworth Sportsmanship Award winner.

Contributing writer to El Paso Times, Bloodhorse, Track Magazine and Surebet.

Hosted awards banquets for New Mexico Horsemen and Breeders' Associations.

Assisted in fund raisers for Jacky Martin and the family of Mark Villa.

Sunland Park Race Track was the first New Mexico Race Track that produced a Kentucky Derby winner with "Mine that Bird" in 2009.

References

Mrs. Margaret Du Pont, 415 Camino Real, El Paso, Tx 79922. (915) 584-0114.

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