



PUNXSUTAWNEY PHIL PREDICTS: “TIM BRADLEY WILL AVENGE HIS ONLY LOSS!”

GOBBLER'S KNOB, (Groundhog Day 2016) -- At approximately 7:25 A.M. ET today, **Punxsutawney Phil** -- the Seer of Seers, Prognosticator of Prognosticators -- emerged from his burrow at Gobbler's Knob in Punxsutawney, PA -- wearing a Denver Broncos jersey embroidered with "*Manningfest Destiny*" -- and proclaimed, in his native Groundhogese, that five-time world champion **TIMOTHY “Desert Storm” BRADLEY** would prevail in the rubber match of the world welterweight championship trilogy with Fighter of the Decade **MANNY “Pacman” PACQUIAO** on **Saturday, April 9**, at the **MGM Grand Garden Arena** in Las Vegas., NV. Promoted by Top Rank®, in association with MP Promotions, the world welterweight championship three-match between pound-for-pound titans Pacquiao (57-6-2, 38 KOs), of General Santos City, Philippines, boxing's only eight-division world champion, and Bradley (33-1-1, 13 KOs), of Palm Springs, Calif., who has held a world title every year since 2008, will be produced and distributed live by **HBO Pay-Per-View®**, beginning at **9:00 p.m. ET / 6:00 p.m. PT.**

"I caucused long and hard over this. Because both fighters are equally great, I had to break the deadlock on predicting the winner by flipping a coin," said the world's No. 1 pound for pound quadruped as he shadowboxed during his annual news conference.. "Both fighters are going to go at each other with guns blazing. It's going to be a firefight, and since Bradley and his trainer **Teddy Atlas** are firemen, you have to give them the nod. I also predict that Bradley will spring into an early lead for 2016 Fighter of the Year."

When pressed for a definitive answer on whether Pacquiao had a chance to defeat Bradley, Phil astounded the media by answering in Tagalog and in English.

Quoth the groundhog, "Hinding-hindi na. Nevermore."

Remaining Tickets to Pacquiao vs. Bradley world championship event are priced at \$1,204, \$804, \$604, \$404, \$254 and \$154, not including applicable service fees. To charge by phone with a major credit card, call Ticketmaster at (800) 745-3000. Tickets are also be available for purchase at mgmgrand.com or ticketmaster.com.

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