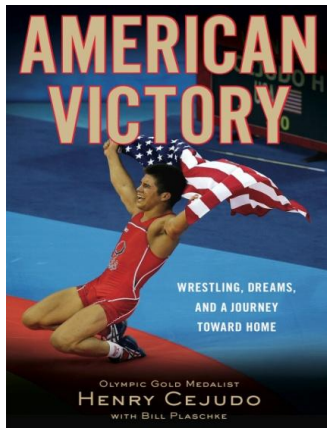


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Olympic Gold Medalist Henry Cejudo Celebrates with a Book Signing at the Mexican Consulate in Arizona

Reception to follow at the Julio Cesar Chavez Campeones located in Mesa, AZ

January 5, 2009, Phoenix, AZ – Olympic Gold Medalist [Henry Cejudo](#) will be the first author to ever hold a book signing event at the [Mexican Consulate](#) in Phoenix, Arizona. Cejudo, the American born son of Mexican immigrants, takes great pride in celebrating the release of his book, *American Victory*, at the Mexican Consulate. Following the book signing, a reception, open to the public, will be held at the [Julio Cesar Chavez Campeones](#) restaurant in Mesa, Arizona. The invitation was extended to Henry Cejudo from Julio Cesar Chavez himself.

According to Olympic Gold Medalist and Author Henry Cejudo, “It is a great honor to celebrate the release of my book at the Mexican Consulate in Phoenix. I take great pride in my heritage and feel that the Mexican Consulate is a very important stop on my American Victory book tour.”

Cejudo went on to say, “I am really looking forward to the book signing at the Consulate and the reception that will follow. When I received a personal invitation from Julio Cesar Chavez to hold a reception at his restaurant, it was definitely the icing on the cake. Julio is truly a boxing legend with championships in four different weight classes. I couldn't think of a better place to continue the celebration!”

On January 7th, at 5:30 pm, Henry Cejudo will make an appearance at the Mexican Consulate, located at 1990 West Camelback Road, in Phoenix. Members of the Consulate have extended personal invitations to the general public, as well as the media and local politicians. Henry will be on hand to autograph copies of *American Victory*, and for photographs.

AMERICAN VICTORY: *Wrestling, Dreams, and a Journey Toward Home* by Henry Cejudo and Pulitzer Prize nominee Bill Plaschke is a success story depicting a family's struggle to survive, a young man's indomitable spirit, and the American Dream. It is a powerful and inspiring memoir of a young and determined American-born son of undocumented Mexican immigrants who, against all odds and expectations, achieved his dream of becoming an Olympic champion. ***American Victory*** will be available in stores nationwide on January, 5th 2010.

For additional information on Henry Cejudo's American Victory Book Tour, please visit www.henrycejudo.com. We also welcome fans to follow Henry on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#). Fans can also view the latest video footage of Henry Cejudo on [You Tube](#).

About the Authors:

Henry Cejudo is a freestyle wrestler who won a gold medal in the 2008 Beijing Olympics. At twenty-one years old, he was the youngest American ever to have won an Olympic wrestling gold medal. Henry was born in Los Angeles and currently lives in Phoenix, Arizona.

Bill Plaschke has been named the Associated Press Sports Columnist of the year four times. He has been a sports columnist for the Los Angeles Times since 1996 and is a regular panelist on [ESPN'S "Around the Horn."](#) He has been nominated for a Pulitzer Prize and his work has been featured frequently in *The Best American Sports Writing*.

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