**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF MOUNT VERNON 100th ANNIVERSARY GALA**ON SATURDAYNIGHT, **MARCH 24,**AT**RYE TOWN HILTON \*\*\***Honorees: YES Network Yankees broadcaster **Ken Singleton;**WCBS 2 meteorologist**Elise Finch;**NYC **Sen. Malcolm Smith; John R. Branca**(posthumously) accepted by**Bill Branca; Kiwanis Club of Mt. Vernon,**accepted by**Rosemary Cornacchio;**Boxing promoter**Butch Lewis**(posthumously)**\*\*\***

The late **John R. Branca**(posthumously), Denzel Lifetime Achievement Award, accepted by his son **Bill Branca;**WCBS 2 television meteorologist **Elise Finch,**Denzel Community Service Award; **Kiwanis Club of Mt. Vernon,**Lifetime Community Spirit Award, accepted by president **Rosemary Cornacchio;**YES Network Yankees announcer and former MLB All-Star **Ken Singleton,**Denzel Lifetime Achievement Award, Sports**;**New York State Sen. **Malcolm A. Smith,**Denzel Historic Leadership Award; **Butch Lewis,**boxing promoter, posthumously, (Denzel Lifetime Achievement Award); accepted by his daughter **Sita Lewis**were the award recipients at the 100thAnniversary Gala of the Boys and Girls Club of Mount Vernon on Saturday night, March 24, at the Rye Town Hilton in Rye Brook, New York, Westchester County. Nearly 700 guests, celebrities and dignitaries packed the “Westchester Ballroom.”

The Master of Ceremonies was **Bill Daughtry,**1050 ESPN Radio sports broadcaster; and among the those on hand included actors/club alumni **JB Smoove, Leon Robinson, Shane Dean and “Talent”;**former NBA stars/Club Alumni **Scooter McCray, Gus Williams, and Lowes Moore,**the Club’s executive director, and club alumnus retired Parade Chairman **Walter Anderson;**Westchester Country executive **Rob Astorino** presented a proclamation, and Mount Vernon Mayor **Ernest Davis** did the same. Actor **Danny Glover**assisted in presenting the awards when Oscar  Award-winning actor and club alumnus **Denzel Washington,**the scheduled host, was unable to attend due to illness. Club president **Danny Sawh**thanked all those in attendance, and **Rev. Joseph McShane, SJ,**president of Fordham University, gave the invocation. Alcoa Foundation director **Paula Davis,**Kiwanis International vice president and Fordham General Counsel  **Tom DeJulio,**YES Network president **John Filippelli,**and **Mario Gabelli,**CEO GAMCO Investors, were among those on hand to support the cause.