

BARRY IRWIN TO SPEAK AT WHITE HORSE LUNCHEON AT SANTA ANITA RACETRACK CHAPLAINCY'S EVENT HONORS BACKSTRETCH WORKERS TVI CHIEF SELECTED FOR KEYNOTE FOR COMMITMENT TO EQUINE CAUSES

From *Thoroughbred Times* comes the following:

Team Valor International founder and CEO Barry Irwin will be the featured speaker at the racetrack chaplaincy's annual White Horse Luncheon on November 1 at Santa Anita Park.

A turf writer and broadcaster turned bloodstock agent and stable operator, Irwin was selected because of his commitment to equine-related charities, including racetrack chaplaincy. Team Valor campaigns 2011 Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (G1) winner and Eclipse Award champion Animal Kingdom.

Additionally at the luncheon, chaplaincy co-founder Israel Vega will be presented with the Community Service Award. The late Norma Stone, wife of renowned artist Fred Stone, and Santa Anita employee John Shear will be honored.



Nominations are still being sought for the 2012 White Horse Award, which is presented annually to a backstretch worker who has done something heroic on behalf of human or horse in the prior 12 months. Nominations are still being accepted, and nomination forms can be downloaded [here](#).

And from the *Paulick Report* comes the following:

Founding president of Team Valor International, the syndicate-owner of 137th Kentucky Derby winner Animal Kingdom, will be the featured speaker at the racetrack chaplaincy's 2012 White Horse Luncheon on November 1st at Santa Anita Park.

A turf writer and broadcaster turned bloodstock agent and stable operator, Irwin's commitment to equine-related charities, including racetrack chaplaincy, is rooted in deeply-held convictions.

Also during the mid-morning luncheon, chaplaincy co-founder Israel ("Izzy") Vega will be presented the Community Service Award, and The Late Norma Stone (wife of renowned artist Fred Stone), along with Santa Anita employee John Shear, will be honored. Nominations are still being sought for the 2012 White Horse Award, according to executive director Chaplain Craig Wiley. Nomination forms can be downloaded at www.rtcnational.org/white-horse.

The White Horse Award is presented annually to a backstretch worker who has done something heroic on behalf of human or horse in the prior 12 months. Tickets for the luncheon \$125 (Table of 10 is \$1,100), and are available at info@rtcnational.org.