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I SHOOT

FOR EVERY PHOTO I PUT UP, I HAVE TO TAKE ONE DOWN. BUT WEEDING OUT THE LESS IMPORTANT SHOTS MAKES THE WALL MORE POWERFUL.



By Richard B. Ressman, M. D. , IFPO, Chicago, Illinois

I have just stopped performing orthopaedic surgery in June 2002 and, photography which has been my passion for the past thirty-three years is turning into my *only* source of income. At present, in addition to donating my photographic services to several charitable organizations, I have begun earning income from selling prints and publishing.

I just completed my website (www.photosurgeon.net) and will be adding between five and ten photos a month. I expect to sell photographic prints from my website.

I recently had twenty-six photos published in *Discovering Literature*, 3rd Edition by Prentice-Hall, 2002. These photos included images of Brian Dennehy, Michael Jordan, Mikhail Gorbachev, Marcel Marceau, folk singer Jim Post, The Statue of Liberty, and the Viet Nam Memorial. I am also in the process of working on a book on the human body consisting of the juxtaposition of photographs and contemporary poems about issues of the body.

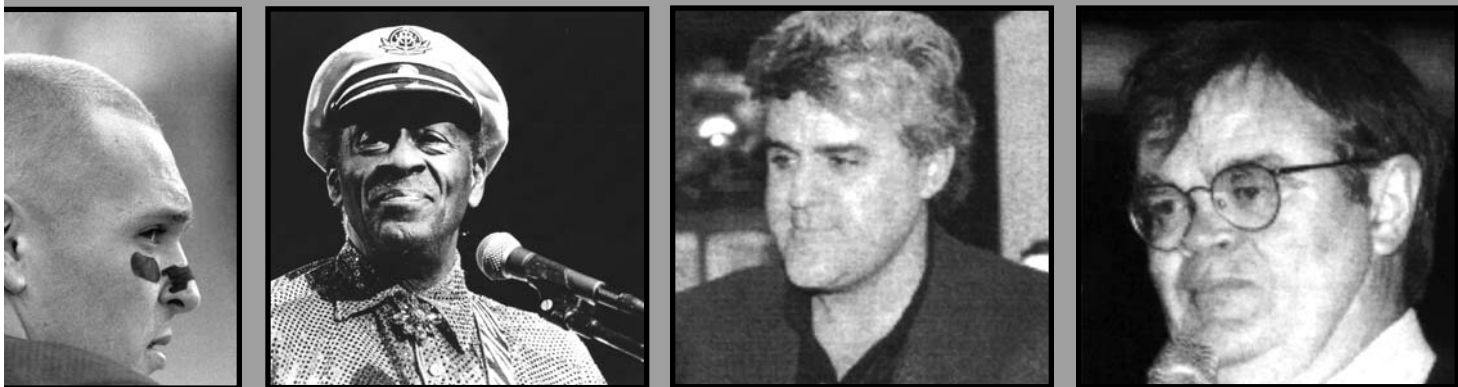
At a recent charitable fund raiser, I met and photographed Jane Fonda and was surprised at how cooperative she was in posing for me.

IFPO and *Today's Photographer Magazine* have given me the ability to obtain access to famous celebrities, entertainers and major sports events over the last few years. Ω



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CELEBRITIES... AND LIVE WITH THEIR FACES EVERY DAY



AMONG THE HUNDREDS OF CELEBRITY FACES ARE (L-R): CHICAGO BEARS' BRIAN URLACHER, CHUCK BERRY, JAY LENO AND GARRISON KELLER.



Wall of Fame

IFPO MEMBER RICHARD RESSMAN, CHICAGO ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON, HAS BEEN SHOOTING PHOTOS OF PEOPLE HE HAS ENCOUNTERED SINCE HE GOT HIS FIRST NIKON IN 1969. A 12-BY-18-FOOT WALL IN HIS RIVER NORTH LOFT IS COVERED WITH THE BLACK AND WHITES.