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# Shaw's SPEAKEASY The Jazz Age



Honoring  
Jay R. Tunney

Annual  
Gala Benefit  
Friday, May 19

The Bernie Award

# Shaw's **SPEAKEASY**

The 1920s—decade of prohibition, flappers and jazz. Shaw was an extremely active communicator—writing sport and social commentary, political tracts, criticisms and essays, and lecturing on economic issues. He also had time to write *Back to Methuselah*, *Saint Joan*, and *The Apple Cart*, and to develop an admiration for boxing and its supreme artist Gene Tunney.

"I never saw anything so wonderful as Tunney's dance round the ring when he got up...with Dempsey rushing after him and slogging wildly until Gene suddenly stopped and countered with a biff that made poor Jack believe he was going to die" – Bernard Shaw on "the long count" boxing match which took place September 22, 1927 at Soldier Field in Chicago.

## The Bernie Award

ShawChicago is pleased to present the "Bernie" to **Jay R. Tunney** for his years of helping keep the words of Bernard Shaw alive. Mr. Tunney served as vice president of the International Shaw Society and was a member of the international advisory board of the Shaw Festival in Canada. He authored *THE PRIZEFIGHTER AND THE PLAYWRIGHT Gene Tunney and Bernard Shaw*, and is an ardent supporter of ShawChicago.

## ShawChicago

invites you to attend our

# DINNER CELEBRATION

Friday, May 19, 2017  
6-9:30 pm

## The Casino

195 E Delaware Place, Chicago

Hors D'oeuvres, complimentary Wine  
and Cash Bar: 6 pm  
Dinner: 7 pm  
Concert Reading: 8:15 pm

**RSVP by May 11, 2017**

Ticket sales by phone 312-587-7390

1920s Attire Optional  
Coat and Tie Required

Complementary Valet Parking Provided