



# HOOP HISTORIANS NEWS

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## GARY DEPERRY NAMED TO WISCONSIN HALL OF FAME



Hoop Historian **Gary DePerry** was recently inducted into the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame. DePerry was the varsity assistant coach for Milwaukee Vincent, where his team won three consecutive Wisconsin state championships in 1996, 1997 and 1998. Vincent compiled a won-loss record of 74-7 during that three-year stretch. DePerry also coached at Hamilton and Custer High Schools in Milwaukee and at Dominican High School in White Fish Bay and was head basketball coach at Milwaukee Tech. Congratulations Gary on a great accomplishment!



## ANOTHER BASKETBALL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Hoop Historian **Vern Vegso** knows how to celebrate. Vern recently celebrated his birthday doing what he loves so much – being around basketball. Vegso is the Official Scorer for home mens' basketball games at Moorpark College (as seen below).



## TOURS, GAMES AND CONCERTS AWAIT FINAL FOUR WEEK



There will be activities a plenty for the Hoop Historians during Final Four Week in Atlanta. Although some of the specifics have not been finalized as to location, many events have been slotted which include tours of the College Football Hall of Fame, CNN Studios and the World of Coach-Cola; sporting events involving the Atlanta Hawks, Atlanta Braves and the NCAA Division II & III National Championship Games. In addition to the **Hoop Historians Welcome Dinner (Thursday, April 2)** and **Annual Business Meeting (Saturday, April 4)**, many members of the group will partake in the NABC Convention, the Final Four Fan Fest, the March Madness Music Festival and the NABC Awards Program. A tentative list of Final Four activities can be found on the Hoop Historians Website at: [www.hoophistorians.com/2020.pdf](http://www.hoophistorians.com/2020.pdf)

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION NOMINATIONS



Nominations are now being taken for the open seats on the Hoop Historians Board of Directors. If you know of a worthy candidate to serve, please submit your request to Executive Director Joe Spagnolo by March 1. Board of Directors applicants must be a member in good standing for at least three consecutive years before serving on the Board. The election will take place at the Annual Meeting. There will be two (2) two-year terms and one (1) one-year term on this year's ballot. Send your nominations to Joe Spagnolo at: [hoophistorians@hotmail.com](mailto:hoophistorians@hotmail.com)

## WANT TO BE A HOOP HISTORIAN?



Applications are now being accepted through March 1 for new membership to the Hoop Historians. If you have been to three Final Fours and have been a Friend of the Hoop Historians for at least one year, you are eligible to become a member. Applications can be found on the Hoop Historians website at: [www.hoophistorians.com/application.htm](http://www.hoophistorians.com/application.htm)



## HOOP HISTORIANS PHOTO GALLERY

Send your pictures to: [hoophistorians@hotmail.com](mailto:hoophistorians@hotmail.com)



Hoop Historians (from left) Ted Reineking, Tom Tallarito, Larry Baker, Joe Makowski, Kevin McCann and Joe Lyons watching Big East Conference action at the Wintrust Arena

## 2020 FINAL FOUR



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