



HOOP HISTORIAN NAMED FIRST RESPONDER OF THE MONTH



Hoop Historian **John Genova** was named the **First Responder of the Month** on WGN-TV's Spotlight Chicago. Field Chief Genova is in his 49th year of service as a paramedic with the Chicago Fire Department and is currently the city's longest serving paramedic. The video of John receiving his recognition can be found at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BmVc_yS42Pg. Congratulations John!

HOOP HISTORIAN MEMORY



LET'S PLAY TWO: Hoop Historian Fred Allman found this snapshot in his archives of former Hoop Historians John Mayberry and Pat Irvine posing with Baseball Hall of Famer Ernie Banks.



HOOP HISTORIANS PHOTO GALLERY

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BASKETBALL IS BACK: Hoop Historians John Genova, Larry Baker and Kevin McCann join Dibs, the DePaul University mascot, at the annual Blue Demons Tip-Off Luncheon.



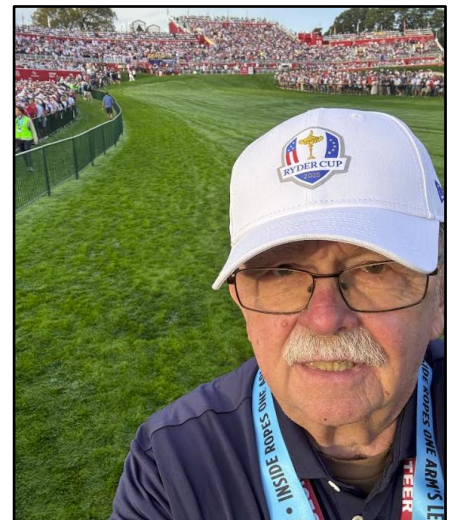
EAT, DRINK AND BE MARRY: Hoop Historians Brian Burmeister, Joe Spagnolo, Fred Allman, Larry Baker and Al Sack take a break from dinner in suburban Chicago to discuss the world of sports.



I LOVE L.A.: Al Sack, Larry Baker and Joe Spagnolo are at the Los Angeles Coliseum to watch the USC-Michigan football game.



GO BRUINS: Associate Director of Development at UCLA Cortney Moore joins Hoop Historians Al Sack, Ted Reineking and Joe Spagnolo before the Northwestern-UCLA game in Evanston.



FORE: Hoop Historians Chairman of the Board Don MacKay worked this year's Ryder Cup in Farmingdale, New York.



FAMOUS FAMER: Kevin McCann, Larry Baker and Mike Gibbons are with DePaul legend Mark Aguirre at the Chicagoland Sports Hall of Fame.



CALENDAR COUNTERS: Kevin McCann, Larry Baker and John Genova are wearing their Halfway to St. Patrick's Day hockey sweaters at a Chicago White Sox game.



FREQUENT FLYERS: Al Sack and UCLA Spirit Squad Director Angela Scales traveled over 2,000 miles to cheer on the Bruins in their game at Northwestern.



VISITING ANOTHER BALLPARK: Hoop Historian Joe Lyons is with A's mascot Stomper at a home game in Sacramento.



GOING UP: Steve Busa and Joe Spagnolo are with Wrigley Field elevator operator Stan Mitchell before a Cubs home game.



CHICAGO'S FINEST: John Genova and Larry Baker visit with former Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot in Ann Arbor.

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THE GANG'S ALL HERE: Nineteen Hoop Historians and Friends of the Hoop Historians gathered at Zito's New York Style Pizza in Anaheim Hills for the annual Hoop Historians SoCal Social Outing.