



FIFTY IS NIFTY

Hoop Historians **Fred Allman** and **Ted Reineking** reached milestones together this month in Atlanta. Allman visited his 50th Major League Baseball ballpark and Reineking notched his 30th different venue. Fred has now been to all thirty Major League stadiums currently utilized and has seen games in 20 venues no longer in use. The duo travelled to the brand new Sun Trust Stadium to see their beloved Chicago Cubs play the Atlanta Braves. Their story was noted in the Daily Herald Newspaper and can be found here: <http://www.dailyherald.com/news/20170720/constable-traveling-cubs-fans-reach-road-milestones-in-atlanta>



ABOVE: Fred & Ted on another excellent adventure

ANOTHER MEDAL FOR THE USA

Hoop Historian **Bob Hutchings** coached the USA Under-18 Team in Barcelona, Spain in the Euro Basketball Cup. His team won the silver medal and Bob was selected as the best coach in his division. Congratulations Coach Hutchings!



ABOVE: The U-18 Team from the United States won the Silver Medal at this year's Euro Cup

I LOVE NEW YORK

Another baseball trip took place earlier this season as Hoop Historians Executive Director **Joe Spagnolo** caught a doubleheader at New York's two baseball stadiums. Traveling to all five boroughs of New York City, Spagnolo enjoyed the delicacies of the Big Apple's food by partaking in New York style pizza in Brooklyn, hot dogs in Coney Island, Italian food in the Bronx, deli sandwiches in Manhattan and empanadas in Queens.



ABOVE: The House that Ruth Built was one of the many attractions on Joe Spagnolo's latest trip to New York

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Profiles of all full-time and honorary members have now been updated on the official website of the Hoop Historians at: www.hoophistorians.com/members-home.htm The 60 full-time members of the Hoop Historians represent 14 different states, two countries, and have combined to attend 1175 Final Fours and over 5,000 NCAA Tournament games. Check it out today!

Congratulations to Hoop Historians Executive Director Joe Spagnolo who recently retired from Proviso Township High Schools after 33-plus years of service

HOOP HISTORIAN HONORED FOR 55 YEARS OF SERVICE

New Hoop Historian **Billy T. Haynes** was recognized by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association for his 55 years of basketball officiating. The award was presented during the state finals at Rupp Arena. Haynes started officiating in 1962 and has attended the Final Four every year since 1978. Congratulations Billy T.



ABOVE: Hoop Historian Billy T. Haynes receives his award at Rupp Arena

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