



HOOP HISTORIANS NEWS

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THE MADNESS HAS STARTED

March Madness is underway, and the Hoop Historians are getting ready for their title run to Minneapolis at this year's Final Four. The **Hilton Garden Inn Minneapolis Downtown**, 1101 S 4th Avenue, Minneapolis, will serve as the official headquarters for the Hoop Historians at this year's Final Four. The **Hoop Historians Welcome Dinner** will be held at the



Rock Bottom Brewery, 825 Hennepin Avenue,

Minneapolis on **Thursday, April 4 at 8:00 p.m.** The Hoop Historians **Annual Meeting and 2nd Annual Trivia Contest** will be held at the **Hilton Garden Inn Minneapolis Downtown**, 1101 S 4th Avenue, Minneapolis, on **Saturday, April 6 at 11:00 a.m.**

MOORPARK HOOPSTERS MAKE HISTORY ON COURT

Congratulations go out to the Moorpark College Raiders Womens' Basketball



team, which won 32 games this past season and played in the California State Championship game, receiving their first state finals berth in 22 years. The team was ranked #1 in the state since early January. The Raiders set a school record for wins in a season while reaching the CCCAA State Championships for the first time since 1997. Moorpark was beaten in the title game 68-61 by Diablo Valley College. Freshman Breanna Calhoun was named CCCWBCA Player of the Year and head coach Kenny Plummer was selected as Coach of the Year in the South Region. Hoop Historian **Vern Vegso** serves the school as Special Assistant to the Athletic Director.

TARGET FIELD TOUR AMONG ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR FINAL FOUR WEEK

The Hoop Historians have scheduled a special tour of Target Field on Monday April 8 at 10:00 a.m. The tour will visit the premium areas of the ballpark as well as provide history of the park and the



Minnesota Twins franchise. Target Field is easily accessible through the downtown skyway system. This will be a walking tour that covers both the indoor and outdoor areas of the ballpark. Members and Friends of the Hoop Historians will receive a special group rate of \$14 per person, which is payable at the start of the tour. Just mention that you are with the Hoop Historians to receive your discount. The tour will start at 10:00 a.m. and will last for 90 minutes. Enter at Gate 29 by the Twins Majestic Clubhouse Store. Hoop Historian **Pat Irvine's** brother, Billy Martin, managed the Twins to the team's first division title in 1969.

TWIN CITIES - DID YOU KNOW...

US Bank Stadium hosted Super Bowl LII, the ESPN X Games and will host the 2020 NCAA Wrestling Championships.

Minneapolis hosted the Final Four in 2001 and 1992. Duke won the title both years. Games were played in the now demolished Hubert H Humphrey Metrodome.

The Minneapolis Skyway spans 69 blocks – that's seven miles – and is the largest continuous skyway system in the world.

The Mall of America, built in 1992 in nearby Bloomington, is larger than 78 football fields.



HOOP HISTORIANS PHOTO GALLERY

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Al Sack, Tyus Edney, Brian Burmeister and Ed Munson at UCLA



Jim Harrick, Brian Burmeister, Al Sack and Mark Gottfried at Cal State Northridge



The Mishko family at Madison Square Garden watching Duke & Saint John's

2019 FINAL FOUR



APRIL 6 & 8