



HOOP HISTORIANS NEWS

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HOOP HISTORIANS DINNER ANNOUNCED



Bruce Ziemer of the Entertainment and Dining Committee has announced the Annual Business Meeting and Final Four Dinner will be held at the **Champps Americana**, 49 West Maryland Street, Circle Center Mall in downtown Indianapolis – between the RCA Dome and Canseco Fieldhouse. Activities are scheduled to tip-off at **8:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 30**. The later dinner allows for members to arrive from out of town throughout Thursday and also does not conflict with the NABC Tip-Off Reception earlier that evening. Please contact Bruce Ziemer at bziemer48@yahoo.com to confirm your reservation, as space may be limited.

HOOP HISTORIANS INDY HEADQUARTERS AT HAMPTON INN DOWNTOWN



The **Hampton Inn Downtown Circle Center** 105. S. Meridian Street, will be the official downtown headquarters of the Hoop Historians this year at the Final Four. Since many of the Hoop Historians will be staying in remote locations away from the city's hub, this downtown location provides an excellent meeting place to conduct business as March Madness comes to a close.

2006 MARCH MADNESS EVENT SCHEDULE

The Hoop Historians will be busy during the Final Four weekend. Here are just some of the activities that will be attended by the membership.

NABC CONVENTION

Thursday, March 30

6:00 p.m. -- NABC Tip-Off Reception
8:30 p.m. -- Hoop Historians Dinner

Friday, March 31

12 noon – Final Four Practices
5:00 pm – NABC Welcome Reception
7:00 pm – College All-Star Game
9:00 pm – Welcome Concert

Saturday, April 1

6:07 pm – National Semi-Finals

Sunday, April 2

2:00 pm – Monument Circle Concert
7:30 pm – NABC Awards Reception

Monday, April 3

9:18 pm – National Championship

MORE THINGS TO DO IN INDIANAPOLIS



At this year's Final Four, "Indy Monday" gives fans an opportunity to discover Indianapolis and the many cultural attractions that call the city home. From the most famous 2 ½ mile oval in the country to the NCAA Hall of Champions and the vast array of attractions in the Canal and White River State Park to the world's largest Children's Museum and the new Indianapolis Museum of Art, there is something to interest every fan in town for the games. You can also take a self guided tour of Mass Ave., Indiana Avenue and the Wholesale District – all in USA's 12th largest city.

PAST INDIANAPOLIS NATIONAL TITLE GAMES

1980–Louisville 59, UCLA 54

Denny Crum defeats his former school where he was an assistant under legendary John Wooden. Darrell Griffith scores 23 for U of L.

1991–Duke 72, Kansas 65

Mike Krzyzewski wins his first national title as the Blue Devils have four players in double figures.

1997–Arizona 84, Kentucky 79 (ot)

Lute Olson wins his championship at age 62 by defeating three number one seeds (Kansas, North Carolina and Kentucky) along the way. Miles Simon scores 30 for the Wildcats.

2000–Michigan State 89, Florida 76

The Spartans and Coach Tom Izzo become only the second team (Indiana 1976 the other) to win every NCAA tournament game in double digits. Maurice Peterson, Mateen Cleaves and A.J. Granger combine for 58 points.

NEW MEMBER DEADLINE

Interested in being a member of the Hoop Historians? Applications are now available on the official website of the Hoop Historians at:

www.hoophistorians.com/application.htm

New members to the Hoop Historians may be approved at the Annual Meeting by a 75% affirmative vote of the eligible members present. For consideration to be a member, the nominee must have attended a minimum of three Final Fours and must have been a "Friend of the Hoop Historians" for at least one year. Submit your application by March 15.

THE RACE TO INDY HAS STARTED



SEE YOU THERE!