



## HOOP HISTORIANS ON HISTORY TOUR

The Hoop Historians are more than just basketball as evidenced by their membership into professional organizations. Hoop Historians Kevin McCann and Ted Reineking are both members of the Chicago History Museum and show their passion for local history both inside and outside the basketball arena. The Chicago History Museum is a privately funded institution devoted to the rich multicultural history of the city of Chicago and state of Illinois.



*Hoop Historians Kevin McCann (left) and Ted Reineking (right) interface with Chicago History Museum President Gary Johnson (center) at the museum's annual meeting.*

## HOOPSTERS GO TO BAT FOR NEEDY INDIVIDUAL

Some members of the Chicago chapter of the Hoop Historians are going to bat for Timothy Lawler, who awaits a heart transplant. A fundraiser dinner and silent auction have been planned for later this month in his name. Lawler's heart began to fail two years ago and he is anxiously awaiting a heart transplant being on the preferred list of recipients. Tim's mother, Maureen, is currently on a leave of absence from her job and has been by the side of Tim since July, as they now reside in Minnesota. The event will be held at DePaul University's Sullivan Athletic Center on Sunday, January 27. Additional information and donations can be sent to: PO Box 4212 Wheaton IL 60189. Tim's courage and determination have been an inspiration to all who have met this fine young man.

## ANOTHER HOOP HISTORIAN TO THE HALL OF FAME

Hoop Historian Fred Allman will be inducted into the Illinois Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame as an official this spring. He joins fellow Hoop Historian Kevin McCann, who was inducted to that same Hall of Fame last year as a Friend of Basketball. Allman has worked nearly 100 state tournament games – including the Class "AA" State Championship game in 2004. Induction ceremonies will be held April 28 at Illinois State University – Fred's alma mater. Congratulations, Fred!



## ON THE MEND: HOOP HISTORIAN INJURY REPORT

Get well wishes go out to Hoop Historian Ted Reienking who is recuperating from recent knee surgery from a fall on the ice this winter, and to Friend of the Hoop Historians Dexter Sandrik who is recovering from hernia surgery. Reineking, in true Hoop Historians spirit looks forward to completing his rehab in time for first round games in Anaheim. Get well soon and get back on the court!

## FINAL FOUR PLANS SOON TO BE ANNOUNCED

The Hoop Historians Annual Meeting will be conducted on separate days from the Dinner – so that business and social activities can be conducted independently. This arrangement will allow for more participation from the membership, as Hoop Historians arrive and leave at different times throughout the week. More information on specifics of the schedule will be announced next month in the [Hoop Historians News](http://www.hoophistorians.com).

## WANT TO BE A HOOP HISTORIAN?

Applications are being taken for membership to the Hoop Historians which are available on our website at: <http://www.hoophistorians.com/application.htm> 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. New members to the Hoop Historians must be approved at the Annual Meeting by a 75% affirmative vote of the eligible members present. Going into the 2007-08 campaign, the [twenty-two person membership](#) of the Hoop Historians has amassed a total of 484 Final Fours between them – that's almost 23 years per person! And they have totaled nearly an amazing 2200 NCAA Tournament games to date.

## HOOP HISTORIANS MERCHANDISE AVAILABLE FOR CAMPAIGN 2008

You can still get your official Hoop Historians apparel before the start of March Madness. Shirts, Jackets and Hats are available on our website at: [www.hoophistorians.com/merchandise.htm](http://www.hoophistorians.com/merchandise.htm) Get yours today!

## SEE YOU IN SAN ANTONIO



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