



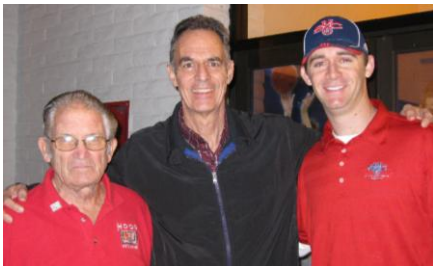
HOOP HISTORIANS NEWS

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HOOP HISTORIANS OPEN BASKETBALL SEASON

Hoop Historians saw games all across the country to start the college hoops season, including several during the ESPN Tip-Off Marathon in November, which featured late nights, early mornings and lots of travel. **John Mayberry, Al Sack, Nancy Sack** and **Darren Sack** stayed up late to catch the 11:00 p.m. start for the Saint John's-Saint Mary's game. Later that day, another long-time Hoop Historian follower, **Larry Baker** drove from Chicago to his alma mater at Southern Illinois University for a 9:00 a.m. tip in Carbondale and returned to Chicago later that night to watch DePaul play for a 650-plus mile roundtrip. Back in Chicago, Hoop Historians **Joe Spagnolo, Ted Reineking, Joe Flaherty** and **Kevin McCann** started another season at the DePaul scorer's table, as the foursome has combined for nearly 100 years of service with the Blue Demons.



ABOVE: John Mayberry, Al Sack and Darren Sack poses before the Saint John's-Saint Mary's game.

BELOW: Joe Spagnolo, Ted Reineking, Joe Flaherty and Kevin McCann get ready for another DePaul contest.



QUITE A WEEK OF HOOPS

What do you do with the week off before Christmas and all of your holiday shopping is completed? How about attending your own basketball marathon? That's what Friend of the Hoop Historians **Joe Dote** did for six days from December 18-23. The Chicago native saw seven games, representing teams from 11 different conferences, in six days and logged 1600 miles. The trek started with a doubleheader on Saturday, December 18 to two of the most storied college basketball venues in America. Dote saw Stanford play Butler at Hinkle Fieldhouse and then drove to Lexington's Rupp Arena for the Kentucky-Mississippi Valley State game. Sunday it was off to Bloomington for South Carolina State at Indiana. Monday it was a welcome home trip to Joe's alma mater as Dayton played host to Winthrop. The next day, Dote saw Indiana-Northwest play at Toledo. Wednesday was a night in East Lansing for the Texas-Michigan State game. And Thursday concluded with Oakland University playing Ohio State in Columbus. A complete review of Joe's trip, including pictures from each arena can be found at:

www.hoophistorians.com/dote-trip.htm

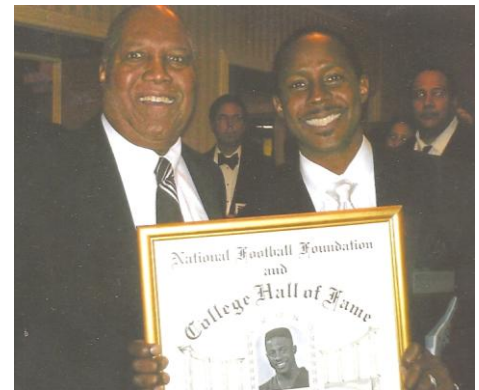


ABOVE: Joe Dote at Day One, Game Two, of his seven-game, six-day Midwest Basketball Tour in December at the historic Rupp Arena.

HALL OF FAMERS MEET

Expanding beyond the courts of basketball, the Hoop Historians again made an appearance at another high profile event. Hoop Historian **Cal Dilworth** visited with University of Michigan standout **Desmond Howard** at his induction to the National Football Foundation College Football Hall of Fame. Howard is only one of four players to win both the Heisman Trophy and Super Bowl MVP. Dilworth, who has been active in organized basketball for over sixty years, is also a member of four different Halls of Fame himself.

BELOW: Cal Dilworth (left) and recent College Football Hall of Fame inductee Desmond Howard visit at the ceremony.



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