

HOOP HISTORIANS NEWS

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NO FOOLIN'...WELCOME DINNER SET FOR APRIL 1

The Hoop Historians Annual **Welcome Dinner** will be held at the Three Forks Restaurant, 1201



San Jacinto Street, in downtown Houston, on Friday, April 1 at 7:00 p.m. The event has become a familiar staple with the Hoop Historian faithful each year, as it is annually held at the site of the Final Four during the championship weekend. Last year a record number 43 people attended the event in Indianapolis.

JUST ANOTHER ROAD TRIP FOR A HOOP HISTORIAN

In the midst of another busy basketball season, a Hoop Historian took advantage of geography to follow his favorite football team. **Dave DeGrace** travelled from Milwaukee to Louisville to catch



Marquette play an 11:00 a.m. Big East contest on Saturday, January 15. Since Dave was "already half way" to Atlanta,

after the one-point Louisville victory Dave travelled another plus-400 miles to catch the end of the 7:00 p.m. Packers-Falcons NFL playoff game at the Georgia Dome that night. To cap off the perfect gridiron season, three weeks later DeGrace made it to Dallas for Super Bowl XLV and another Green Bay victory.

HOOP HISTORIANS ANNUAL MEETING APRIL 2

The Hoop Historians Annual Business Meeting will be held at the Hoop Historians Headquarters, the **Doubletree Hotel Houston**, on Saturday, April 2 at 1:00 p.m.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Below is the quick at-a-glance look at the Hoop Historians Final Four activities in the greater Houston area during Championship Week. Let the games begin....

HOOP HISTORIANS FINAL FOUR WEEK EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Thursday, March 31

Sof Sole / NABC Tip-Off Reception, Convention Center, 12:00 p.m.

Nike/NABC Welcome Reception, Hilton Americas Hotel, Ballroom of the Americas – 7:00 p.m.

Friday, April 1

Reese's College All-Star Game, Reliant Stadium – 4:35 p.m.

Hoop Historians Welcome Dinner, Three Forks Restaurant, 1201 San Jacinto Street, Downtown Houston – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 2

Hoop Historians Annual Meeting, Doubletree Hotel Houston Downtown – 1:00 p.m.

NCAA National Semifinals, Reliant Stadium, 5:07 p.m.

Sunday, April 3

AT&T / NABC Awards Show, Cullen Theatre @ Wortham Centre, 6:00 p.m.

Monday, April 4

NCAA Championship Game, Reliant Stadium, 8:18 p.m.

CAN'T MAKE THE GAME? WATCH IT ON TV

Although the Hoop Historians will be present across the country at early round sites at this year's March Madness, those of you that cannot see the games in person will be able to watch all 67 games of the NCAA Tournament. For the first time in the tournament's 73-year history, all games will be shown live in their entirety across four national television networks. CBS will air the Final Four for the 30th year, in addition to a total of 26 games throughout the tournament. including the second round, third round, Sweet 16 and Elite 8. Turner will air 41 games across its three television networks. TBS will air a total of 16 contests, including games in the second round, third round and Sweet 16. TNT will air a total of 12 games, including second round and third round matchups. truTV will tip off the tournament's coverage airing all First Four, as well as a total of 13 games during the First Four and second round. Here is the TV schedule for March Madness Campaign 2011:

<u>First Round</u> – Dayton, Ohio Tue & Wed., March 15 & 16 – *truTV*

Second & Third Rounds

Thursday-Saturday, March 17 & 19 (Denver, Tampa, Tucson, Washington) *CBS, TNT, TBS, truTV*

Friday-Sunday, March 18, & 20 (Charlotte, Chicago, Cleveland, Tulsa) *CBS, TNT, TBS, truTV*

Regionals

Thursday-Saturday, March 24 & 26 (Anaheim, New Orleans) **CBS & TNT**

Friday-Sunday, March 25 & 27 (Newark, San Antonio) **CBS & TNT**

<u>Final Four</u> – Houston, Texas Saturday, April 2 & Monday, April 4 *CBS*