

HOOP HISTORIANS NEWS

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A VISIT WITH A HALL OF FAME HOOP HISTORIAN



Dick Triptow (above) was elected as an Honorary Hoop Historian at the Annual Meeting in Atlanta in April. Although "Trip" couldn't make it to the Final Four, he was formally presented with the honor at his suburban Chicago home by Hoop Historians Brian Burmeister and Ted Reineking. Triptow played in the NBA in the 1940's and coached for three decades at the collegiate level. Burmeister played under Coach Triptow at Lake Forest College. Still active today at age 90, Triptow enjoys golf, writing about basketball and discussing the lively art of conversation. Triptow is a member of Hall of Fames at DePaul University, the Chicago Catholic League, and the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association.

ON THE NBA HARDWOOD



ABOVE: Making the most of his visit to the United States after the Final Four, Friend of the Hoop Historians Jimmy Rogers (left) visited with Chicago Bulls Luol Deng and Ted Reineking (right) during the last week of the NBA regular season. Rogers coached Deng in youth basketball with the Brixton Topcats in London, England.

HOOP HISTORIANS ACROSS THE BASEBALL DIAMOND

A number of Major League Baseball games have played host this summer to Hoop Historian activity. Dave DeGrace (below left) celebrates his birthday with Rick Schabowski (right) at Milwaukee's Miller Park. Rick even baked a pair of Hoop Historian birthday cakes for the occasion. The day also featured a special Hoop Historians welcome on the Jumbotron scoreboard during the Giants-Brewers game.



At a recent West Coast A's-Cubs game, John Mayberry and Pat (pictured below) made Irvine friends with Bob Reczek, a Hall of Fame basketball official from Illinois. It didn't take long for the group to find a common bond with Fred Allman, another member of the Hoop Historians and a fellow Illinois Hall of Fame basketball official. Bob enjoyed reminiscing about the stories that Pat shared about her brother, New York Yankees legend Billy Martin, one of Reczek's alltime baseball favorites.



ON THE DIAMOND (continued)



Hoop Historian **Jim Jorgensen** (above second from left) ran into **John Mayberry** (middle) at a recent Reds-A's game in Oakland. Jorgensen came in town with a group as guests of Reds manager **Dusty Baker**, who was returning to the Bay Area.

HOOP HISTORIANS DAY AT THE RACES TURNS SIX

Since 2008, the annual Hoop Historians Day at the Races has been a staple for Hoop Historians and Friends of



the Hoop Historians to celebrate the summer. Now in its sixth year, the event will be held at the Arlington Park International Racecourse in suburban Chicago on **Sunday**, **August 4**. Post time for the event is 1:00 p.m. For more information, or to reserve tickets, contact Ted Reineking at: <u>tedrsports@aol.com</u>.

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