



## RECORD SETTING CLASS OF 2015 JOINS HISTORIANS

Nine new members were inducted into the Hoop Historians at the Annual Meeting in Indianapolis. The new membership class is the largest collection ever inducted since the charter member group of ten members which was named in 1999. The nine new members represent five states, two countries and have attended a collective 172 Final Four prior to this year. Members from the Class of 2015 include Guy Baldwin, David Fray, Don Fromknecht, John Genova, Bob Hutchings, John P. McCann, Rocky Moore, Ted Murphy and Jimmy Rogers. Biographies of each of the new members can be found on the Hoop Historians website at: [www.hoophistorians.com/2015inductees.htm](http://www.hoophistorians.com/2015inductees.htm)



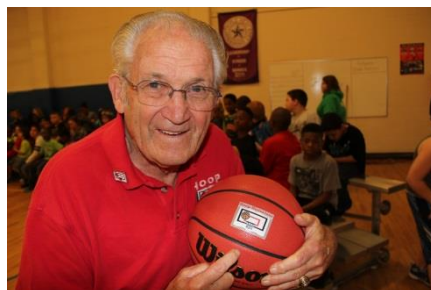
ABOVE: Five members from the new Hoop Historians induction class of 2015 pose outside Lucas Oil Stadium. Left to right are: John P. McCann, Guy Baldwin, David Fray, Ted Murphy and John Genova.

## ANOTHER RECORD: 48 ATTEND WELCOME DINNER

There is something about Nap-Town and the Hoop Historians Welcome Dinner. Since the event was officially established in 2001, three of the four largest attended Welcome Dinners have been held in Indianapolis. This year the Hoop Historians tipped off Final Four Week by playing host to a record number 48 attendees at The Old Spaghetti Factory, which broke the former best of 43 people in 2010.



## HISTORIANS MAKE FINAL FOUR CONTRIBUTIONS



ABOVE: Coach John Mayberry shows off the Hoop Historians basketballs that were presented to the LeGore Boys & Girls Club.

The Hoop Historians lived up to their mission statement of being committed to promoting goodwill through basketball, by making a couple of donations during Final Four Week. The group held a Coaches Clinic and made a donation of four Wilson basketballs, with the Hoop Historians logo, to the **LeGore Boys and Girls Club of Indianapolis**. The Hoop Historians also visited that club the last time the Final Four was in Indianapolis, in 2010. The Historians also “passed the hat” to collect money for **The V Foundation** for Cancer Research. Through its efforts over the weekend, the Hoop Historians collected \$400 for that group.



ABOVE: Members of the Hoop Historians and the LeGore Boys and Girls Club of Indianapolis visit during Final Four Week.



Be sure to visit the Hoop Historians Photo Gallery at:

[www.hoophistorians.com/gallery.htm](http://www.hoophistorians.com/gallery.htm)

## EVERYONE IS TALKING TO THE HOOP HISTORIANS



ABOVE: Hoop Historian Dennis Mishko and 43 years of Final Four memories.

Two cities over 1,000 miles apart both ran feature stories in their newspapers prior to Final Four week, and highlighted esteemed members of the Hoop Historians.

The Times-Tribune of Scranton, Pennsylvania, interviewed **Dennis Mishko** on his 43 years of fun at the NCAA Tournament. Mishko first attended the Final Four in 1973 and has been back every year since. That article and video is found at: <http://thetimes-tribune.com/lifestyles/dickson-city-mans-collection-reflects-43-years-of-fun-at-ncaa-tournament-1.185620>.

The Orlando Sentinel interviewed the Dean of the Hoop Historians, **Brian Burmeister**, who talked about the greatest teams of all-time. The article with Burmeister, who has attended 46 Final Fours dating back to 1962, can be found at: <http://www.orlandosentinel.com/sports/os-kentucky-ucla-david-whitley-0328-20150327-column.html#page=1>

## FINAL FOUR 2016: RETURN TO SPACE CITY



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