



## HOOP HISTORIANS WELCOME DINNER APRIL 1

No fooling! Mark your calendars for the date of Friday, April 1 for the annual **Hoop Historians Welcome Dinner**. This year's event will be held at **Russo's New York Pizzeria, 604 Polk Street** in downtown Houston on **Friday, April 1st at 7:00 p.m.** The location is only three blocks from Hoop Historians Final Four Headquarters. Last year's Welcome Dinner had an all-time record 48 attendees. More information on the dinner will be included in the March edition of the Hoop Historians News and on the official group website at: [www.hoophistorians.com](http://www.hoophistorians.com).



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION AHEAD

If you are interested in running for a seat on the Hoop Historians Board of Directors or know of a worthy candidate, please submit your request to Executive Director Joe Spagnolo by March 1. Board of Directors applicants must be a member in good standing for at least three consecutive years before serving on the Board. The election will take place at the Annual Meeting. There will be two (2) two-year terms and one (1) one-year term on this year's ballot. Send your nominations to Joe Spagnolo at: [hoophistorians@hotmail.com](mailto:hoophistorians@hotmail.com)



## HOOP HISTORIANS MISSION STATEMENT

*Sharing the experiences of our members to promote the great game of basketball through education and goodwill*

## BUSY WEEKEND PLANNED FOR HOOP HISTORIAN

The Final Four Weekend for any Hoop Historian is jammed packed with plenty of activity and very little sleep. One Hoop Historian will be even busier this year as **Bob Hutchings** will serve as a clinician for the 2016 NCAA Final Four Youth Clinics in Houston. The clinics provide a community outreach program to serve the youth in the host city each year. The NCAA conducts basketball clinics free of charge for youth in grades 3-8 during the Final Four weekend. Way to go Bob!



## IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO BECOME A HOOP HISTORIAN

Applications are now being accepted through March 1 for new membership to the Hoop Historians. If you have been to three Final Fours and have been a Friend of the Hoop Historians for at least one year, you are eligible to become a member. An application can be found on the Hoop Historians home page at: [www.hoophistorians.com](http://www.hoophistorians.com)



**APPLY NOW**

CLICK ON THE ABOVE BUTTON FOR AN APPLICATION

## LIVE FROM THE FOX STUDIO



ABOVE: Gary Barbee, Steve Lavin, Al Sack and Brian Burmeister at the Fox Sports Studio in January

## FINAL FOUR WEEK EVENTS STARTING TO TAKE SHAPE



Now that the Hoop Historians Welcome Dinner is on your calendar, be sure to consider these other events during Final Four Week. The **Annual Meeting** of the Hoop Historians will be held on **Saturday, April 2** at the Hoop Historians Headquarters, the Doubletree by Hilton at **1:00 p.m.** The group is also planning a field trip outing to Minute Maid Park for an exhibition game between the hometown Houston Astros and the Milwaukee Brewers on Friday, April 1 at 1:10 p.m. And the always popular NABC Guardians of the Game Awards Show is scheduled for Sunday, April 3 at 6:00 p.m. Contact any Hoop Historians officer for ticket availability to these events. A complete listing of all of the Hoop Historians activities planned for Final Four Week will be included in the March edition of the Hoop Historians News.

## FINAL FOUR 2016: OUT OF THIS WORLD



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