

# **HOOP HISTORIANS NEWS**

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### NEW MEMBER JOINS HOOP HISTORIANS



Kitty Petar became the 99th person to be elected into the Hoop Historians at the Annual Meeting in Arizona. Petar is a long-time Friend of the Hoop Historians who

attended seven previous Final Fours. Her husband of 49 years, Bren, has been a Hoop Historian since 2011.

#### THREE RE-ELECTED TO HOOP HISTORIANS BOARD







Don MacKay, Dennis Mishko and Tom Tallarito were re-elected to the Hoop Historians Board of Directors. Mishko and Tallarito will serve two-year terms, and MacKay will serve a one-year term. MacKay was also selected to serve his second term as Chairman of the Board.

#### HOOP HISTORIANS SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS



At their Annual Meeting, Chairman of the Board of Directors Don MacKay presented certificates to individuals who

were recognized as being members of the Hoop Historians for 10 and 25 years. Receiving 10-year awards were Judi Caldwell and Jim Martin. Receiving 25-year awards were charter members Brian Burmeister, Dorothy Kim, Dennis Mishko, Ted Reineking, Al Sack, Joe Spagnolo and Frank Wilson.

#### **PLAY HOOP HISTORIAN JEOPARDY**

The Hoop Historians played Jeopardy games during Final Four Week. Here's your chance to play those games online. You can access the games at: www.hoophistorians.com/trivia.htm

## JOE KLEBON WINS 4TH ANNUAL HOOP HYSTERIA CONTEST



Hoop Historian
Joe Klebon was
named as the
winner of this
year's Hoop
Historians Hoop
Hysteria Contest.
Klebon's entry

topped 40 other entrants. Also in the Top Ten were Mike Gibbons, Bob Sabatino, Brian Burmeister, Tim Smith, Don MacKay, Dave Fray, Rick Schabowski, Dave Patsavas, Chuck Jalove and Ted Reineking.

### THEY'VE GOT THEIR EYES TO THE SKIES



There are plenty of things to do besides basketball during Final Four Week, and two Hoop Historians made the most of their time before

Monday's national championship game. Al Sack and Joe Spagnolo took a round-trip plane ride to Dallas to check out the full totality of the solar eclipse, and still made it back to Arizona in time for tip-off. The two traveled 1,756 miles by air, and took a van, a car, and shuttle bus to complete their travels.

#### MAN vs. MOUNTAIN

Just outside the Hoop Historians headquarters hotel is Tempe Butte, a 1,495-foot mountain that borders the Arizona State football stadium. Four members of the Hoop Historians climbed and conquered the summit during Final Four Week: Billy T. Haynes, Joe Klebon, Don MacKay, and Dennis Mishko. Congratulations climbers!

RIGHT: Hoop Historian Billy T. Haynes stands atop the Tempe Butte during this year's Final Four.





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Hoop Historian Al Sack and Friend of the Hoop Historians Sue Cimbulak, attends the last ever Pac-12 Tournament. in Las Veaas.



Hoop Historian Dave DeGrace sees his alma mater in a 100th venue as the Marquette's women's basketball team plays in the Big East Tournament at Mohegan Sun Arena in Montville, Connecticut.

# 2025 FINAL FOUR: WE'RE ON A MISSION



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