



CALIFORNIA DREAMING: MAYBERRY RETURNS TO THE WINDY CITY



Hoop Historians Bruce Ziemer, John Mayberry and Ted Reineking in front of the Michael Jordan statue outside Chicago's United Center

John Mayberry last visited Chicago as a child on a cross-country train trip and was recently treated to a whirlwind weekend which featured trips to all of Chicago's Sports Venues, a visit to the Italian-American Sports Hall of Fame, and interface with DePaul basketball coach Jerry Wainwright, a stop into some of the area's famous cemeteries which took in gangsters, politicians and sports Hall of Famers, and finally an excursion to South Bend to see the Boston College-Notre Dame football game with fellow Hoop Historians Ted Reineking, Joe Spagnolo, Bob Stan and Bruce Ziemer. The group visited Wrigley Field, Soldier Field, U.S. Cellular Field and the United Center along with three cemeteries – even a surprise visit to one where Bruce Ziemer worked in his youth! The weekend was capped off with a nature trip through the Morton Arboretum.

BILL CARSLY GOES INTERNATIONAL

Hoop Historian Bill Carsley recently volunteered at the 2007 World Boxing Championships at the University of Illinois at Chicago. The event featured 557 athletes from 112 countries, from Albania to Zambia. Carsley even got to practice his pig-Latin when he tried to ask a Russian not to use flash photography -- thank goodness for sign language!

ANCHORS AWAY! REINEKING ON BOTH ENDS OF LONG STREAK

Ted Reineking has followed Notre Dame Football for a long time as he has seen the Irish's last two losses to Navy. Ted was at the triple overtime loss this year and saw the Roger Staubach led Midshipmen win in 1963, surrounding a 43 game win streak between the schools.



Bruce Ziemer and Ted Reineking in front of Jesse Owens' final resting place in Chicago's Oak Woods Cemetery

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CALIFORNIA DREAMING: USC COMES TO TOWN



It's tour time at Notre Dame for Fred Allman, Al Sack Bruce and Janice Ziemer, Frank Wilson, Joe Spagnolo and Ted Reineking

Kim Tours and Travel has been active at the Southern Cal-Notre Dame football game for more than fifty years. The travel group brought more than 200 loyal Trojan fans to this year's October clash between the two long-time legendary storied programs. The California contingent went home happy with a 31-0 USC whitewashing of the Fighting Irish. Kim Tours and Travel is headed by the First Couple of the Hoop Historians, Surl and Dorothy Kim, who helped bring together more than a third of the Hoop Historians membership for a joyous fall weekend. Fight On!

