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Historians, writers to work on Danville basketball museum

Basketball historians from around the state are coming together in January to begin an unprecedented project: sharing and preserving the stories of Illinois basketball. The invited historians, sports writers and documentarians who have spent their lives watching men's and women's basketball at every level across the state will come together Monday, Jan. 2, 2012 at Red Bird Arena on the Illinois State University campus in Bloomington. Believed to be the first such even in Illinois sports history, the gathering will be an opportunity to begin putting together the history of Illinois basketball from grade school to the professionals.

The historians are being brought together by the Illinois Basketball Hall of Fame Museum in Danville. The meeting will be facilitated by Bruce Firchau, Illinois Basketball Coaches Association liaison to the museum. "We are excited to bring together all of these individuals who have spent much of their lives recording the history of basketball at every level in the state of Illinois," Firchau said. Historians will be asked to share their knowl-



edge, vision, ideas and stories to preserve Illinois basketball history. That information will then be used to share the history with the public by developing interactive and static displays for the Danville museum.

Museum chairman Ron Crick said this is expected to be the first of ongoing efforts to gather pieces of the history of basketball. "As we look toward the museum's opening in 2013, we are exploring every avenue of

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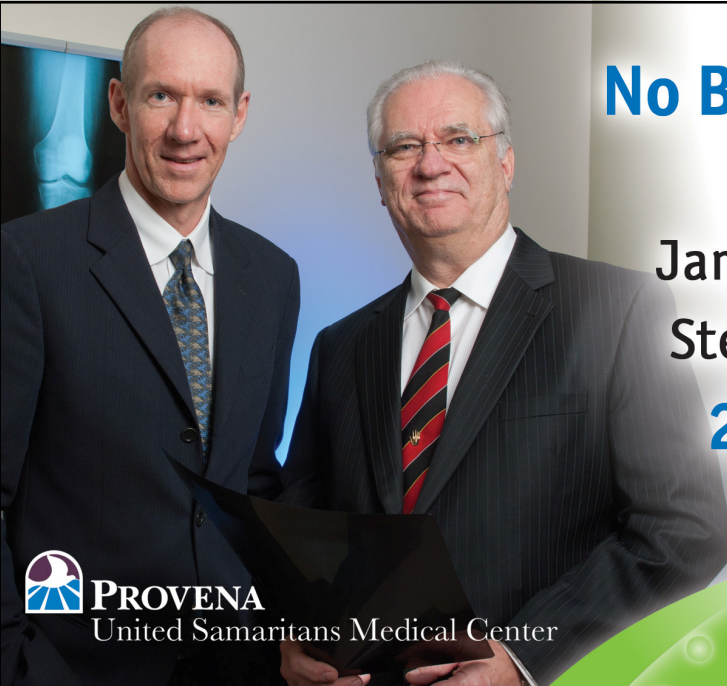

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Museum continued from other side

ball as we know it here in Illinois, at every level of competition. We want this museum to be for everyone who has ever walked into a gymnasium, dribbled the ball on the court or sat in the stand cheering and smelling the popcorn. The best way we can do that is to ensure everyone who visits can share basketball memories."

The Illinois Basketball Hall of Fame Museum will be located in the David S. Palmer Arena in Danville. It is being planned as a comprehensive museum of men's and women's basketball throughout history, at all levels of competition. For more information, email info@ilhoopshall.com or call (217) 442-DUNK.

Weather 

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