



Ozanam
basketball
program

Newsletter

We are committed to making a difference in the lives of the youth we serve.



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A Christmas Blessing



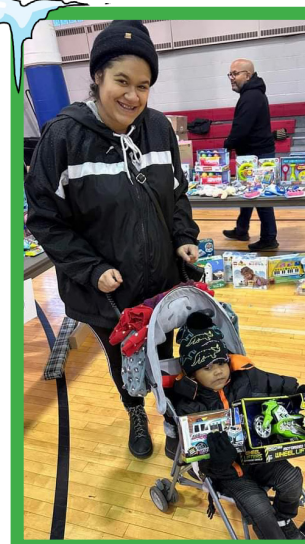
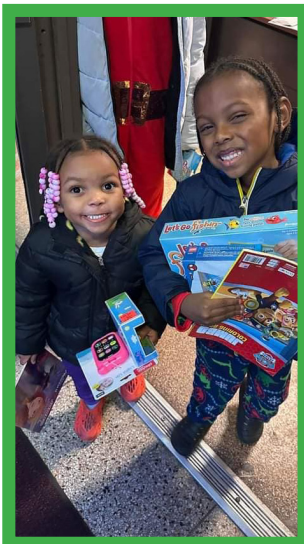
A HUGE Ozanam Thank You to Curtis Aiken and Dr. Trent Gause for providing our Ozanam youth with new winter coats, hats and gloves. Curt said when he was a kid a neighborhood lady gave him a new winter coat one day and told him to make sure he would pay it forward when he got older and he never forgot that. It takes a village.





#POWERINPARTNERSHIP 2023

Josh Gibson Foundation, City of Pittsburgh Ammon Recreation Center,
and Uncle Charlie Christmas Toy Drive.





CITIPARKS AMMON REC CENTER,
JOSH GIBSON FOUNDATION &
UNCLE CHARLIE PRESENT

Christmas TOY & CLOTHING DRIVE

Distribution to Local Children

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2023
4 TO 6 PM**

Ammon Rec Center
2217 Bedford Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Caring for the Community We Serve!

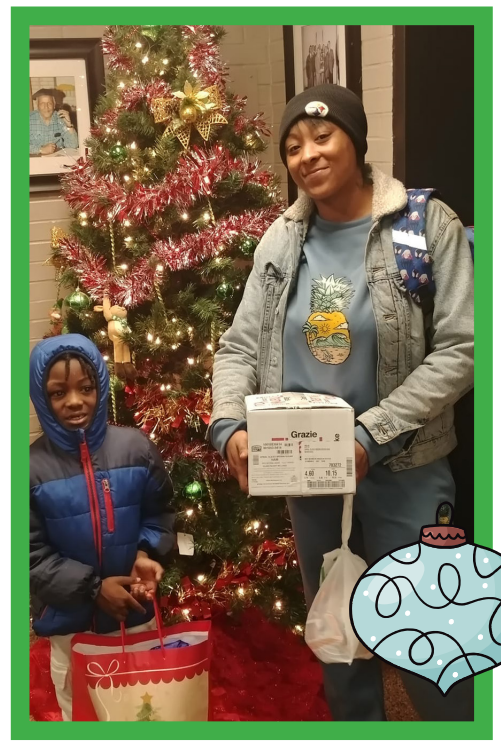
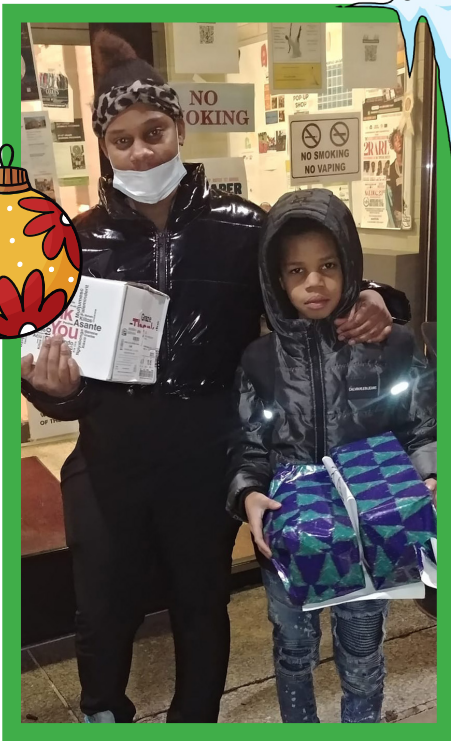




THANK YOU DR. RAHMON HART AND RIVERS CASINO



A Deep & Heartfelt Thank You to Dr. Rahmon Hart and Rivers Casino for providing our Ozanam Families with Christmas Hams & Turkeys!





Pitt brings Christmas to Ammons



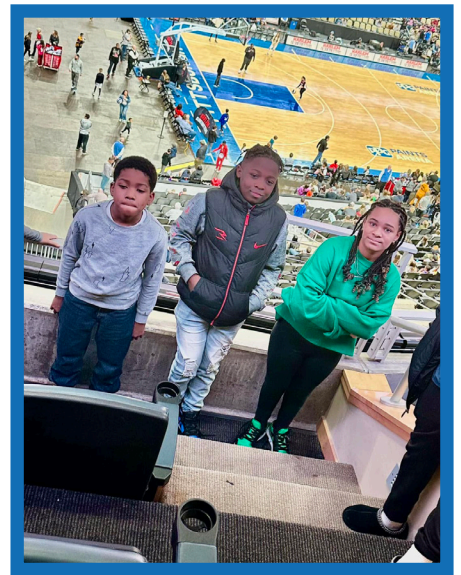
Thank you to the Pitt Men's Basketball team for taking time out of their busy schedule to give our After-School Program youth Christmas gifts. Ozanam is more than basketball.

Pitt



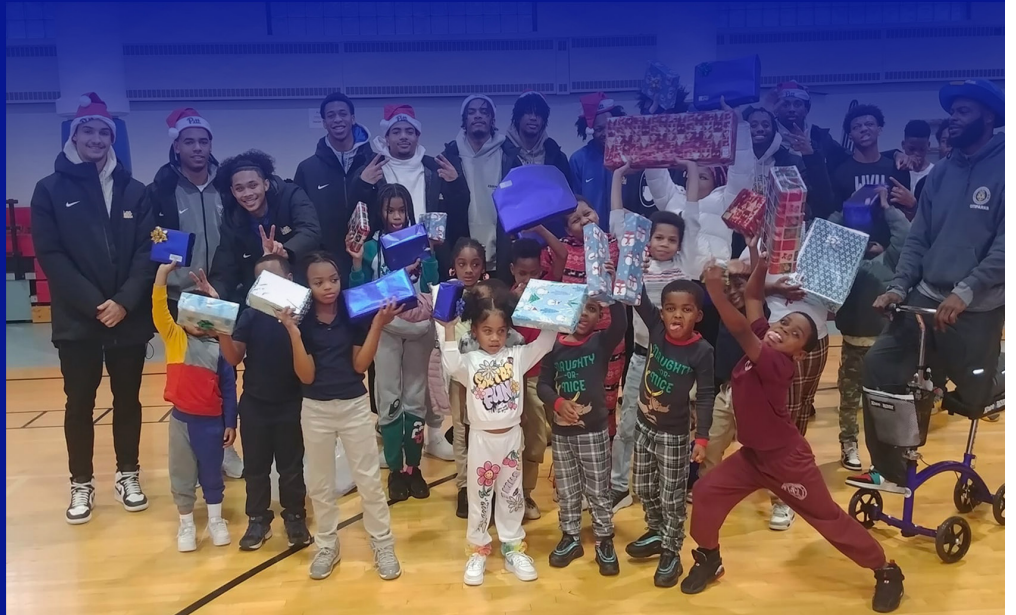
DR. KIM ELLIS GIFTS GLOBETROTTERS TICKETS

Our Ozanam Inc kids got to see the Harlem Globetrotters...
They really enjoyed the entertainment. Ozanam is more than basketball.



WORDS FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The influence of Ozanam was very present in 2023. We continued to provide positive programming for youth of western Pa. Celebrated 55 years of service in the community with Alum many decades. I look forward to a new year



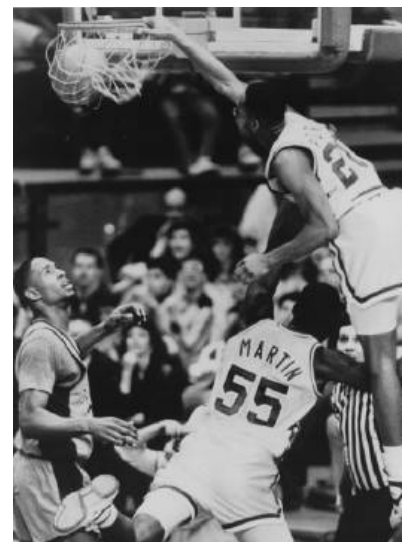
Congratulations Darelle

on upcoming induction in the
Western Chapter of the

Pennsylvania Sports Hall-of-Fame

For Tickets: Contact:

Jack Teitz @ jackteitz@hotmail.com

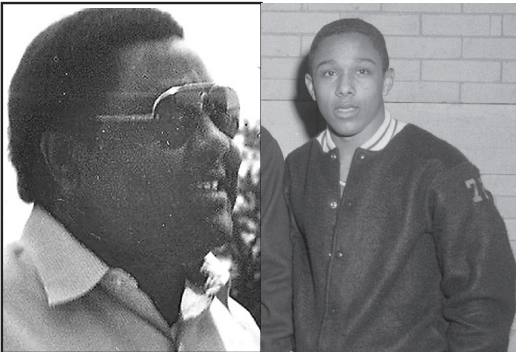




**OZANAM ORIGINAL FOUNDER,
PRESENT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
AND FORMER PLAYER VOTED INTO
WESTERN CHAPTER OF THE
ROBERT "TICK" CLOHERTY"
PENNSYLVANIA SPORTS HALL OF FAME.**

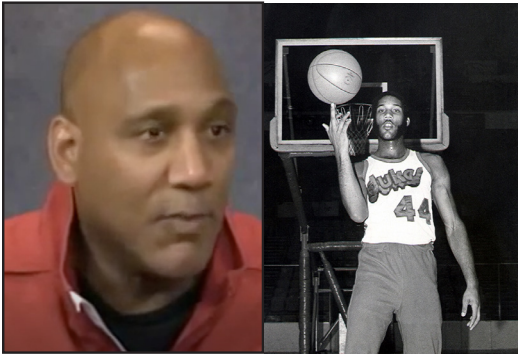


**Induction event is Saturday, April 27, 2024, 6:00pm
at the newly renamed Marriott Bonvoy Hotel at Station Square.**



***Mr. Carl Kohlman -
Ozanam Original Founder and
Executive Director**

*** Deceased**



**Bruce Atkins -
Duquesne University Men's Basketball**



**Darelle Porter -
Ozanam's Present Executive Director
University of Pittsburgh, Men's Basketball**



Ozanam
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Skill Development



**CHOOSE
PEACE**
STOP
VIOLENCE

**Mondays &
Wednesdays
5:15-6:45pm**



@ Ammon Rec Center
2217 Bedford Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15219
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COME WORK ON YOUR GAME!

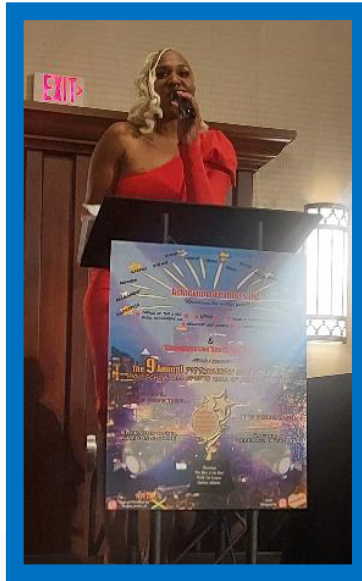




OZANAM-CITY LEAGUE HALL-OF-FAME



John Gant -
Brashear
High School



Qualisha Zyhier -
Perry Traditional
Academy



Lee Grace Jones -
Taylor Allderdice
High School



Kenny Walls -
Peabody
High School



Dorian "Doc" Russell -
Westinghouse
Recipient: Carl Kohlman Youth Service Award

DR. HALL HOSTS: PITTSBURGH CELEBRATES TITLE IX




City of Pittsburgh

TITLE IX

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

Join us for a Panel Discussion on TITLE IX and the direction it is headed.

Topics will range from equal pay, new NCAA rules and women's professional leagues!

THURSDAY | **SCHENLEY RINK**
NOVEMBER 16, 2023 | **BANQUET ROOM**
10 AM to 12 PM | **10341 OVERLOOK DR.**

Seating is limited. Register [HERE](https://bit.ly/3QKLDjW) for your FREE Ticket:
<https://bit.ly/3QKLDjW>

Mayor Ed Gainey
Dr. Karen Hall—Host

Camila Rivera-Tinsley—Women & Girls Foundation
Amy Scheuneman—P3R Youth Program Director
Jennifer Scott—Allegheny Health Network, Registered Nurse

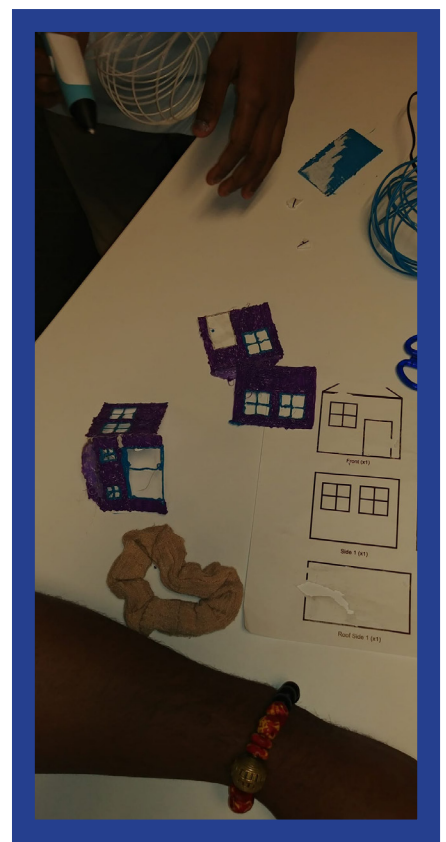
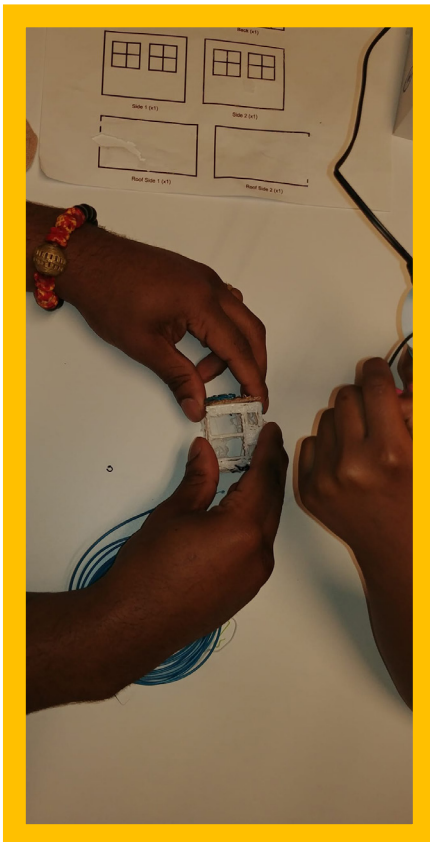
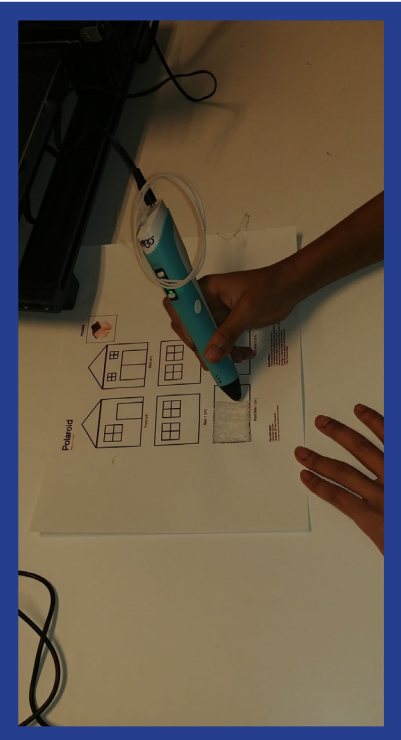
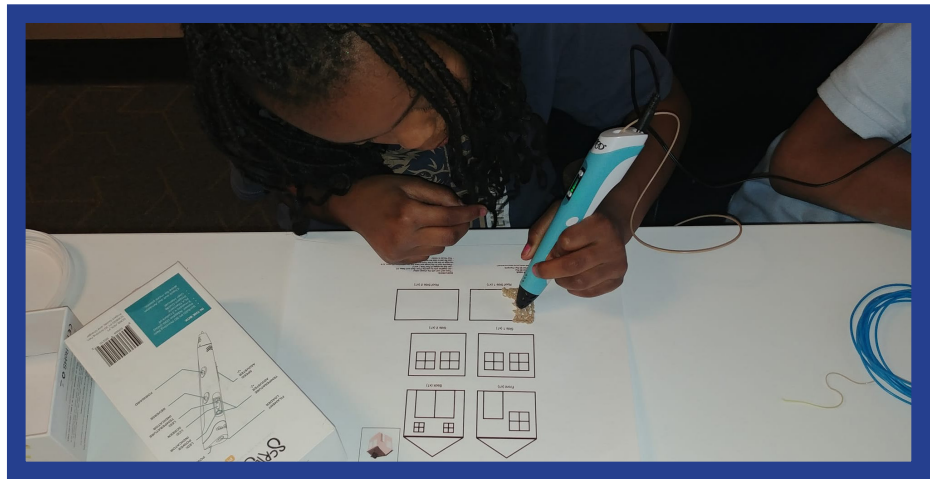




CITIPARKS

REC2TECH

Mr. Anthony Harper & Mr. Mondale from Citiparks Rec2Tech taught our ASP participants how to make 3D Houses today from 3D art...

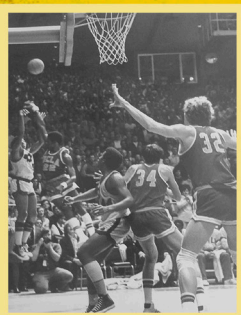


ALUMNI MAKING NEWS

The Man • The Myth • The Legend

DWIGHT CLAY

The Iceman of Notre Dame



Will be holding a Photo Picture Signing
Commemorating The 50th Anniversary of
"The Shot Heard Around the World"
JANUARY 19, 1974

Fogo de Chão Brazilian Steakhouse
525 Smithfield St. • Pittsburgh, PA 15222

Hors d'oeuvres
Complimentary Parking @ 350 Oliver Street Garage

FREE ADMISSION

Thursday, January 18, 2024
5:00pm to 8:00pm

All Donations
Go Towards - Education Fund
for Dwight's 5 Grandchildren

Accepted Donation Forms

• Cash/Check • Cash App: \$dcpittsburgh • Zelle



NO OTHER MEMORABILIA WILL BE SIGN AT THIS TIME.

SAM CLANCY
Award **PBC**
FORWARD
of the year **AWARD**



Women's Basketball

Related Bios

2 - Machia Hairston



Height: 5-8
Year: Fifth Year
Hometown: Pittsburgh, Pa.
High School: Obama Academy HS
Position: G

GP	PTS/G	FG %	3PT %
12	19.0	50.5	66.7

FT %	REB/G	A/G
61.2	13.2	2.2



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Final	1	2	3	4	T
La Roche	31	23	24	34	112
Wells	6	6	2	4	18

Box Score Play by Play Team Stats 1st Qtr

	La Roche					Wells					
PLAYER	REB	REB	AST	STL	BLK	TO	PF	PTS			
STARTERS											
25 - Makayla Abram - f	8	13	2	0	0	3	5	15			
1 - Danielle Allen - g	4	4	5	2	2	0	2	2			
2 - Machia Hairston - g	5	18	3	2	1	3	0	56			
3 - Jazmine Dunn - g	2	2	6	3	0	1	4	4			
11 - Breanna Clemons - g	14	22	4	5	0	4	2	13			
RESERVES											
4 - Angelina Cortazzo - g	0	0	6	10	0	1	4	15			
21 - Hannah Calderaro - g	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	7			
TM - TEAM	4	4				0	0				
TOTALS	38	64	26	23	3	13	17	112			



50 years ago, a Fifth Avenue High School star made 'The Shot' that downed record-setting UCLA team

Raised in Pittsburgh's Hill District, Notre Dame's Dwight Clay rose to the dramatic occasion in 1974.



MIKE WHITE ✓

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Maybe a picture is worth a thousand words, but the iconic photo of Dwight Clay from a famous NCAA basketball game played 50 years ago brings to mind just two:

"The Shot."

That was the tag put on Clay's memorable basket, which happened on a Saturday afternoon at Notre Dame University on Jan. 19, 1974.

Clay, who grew up in the Hill District and played for the old Fifth Avenue High School in the Pittsburgh City League, made the celebrated shot with 29 seconds left, giving Notre Dame a 71-70 victory against UCLA in a game that lives in college basketball lore.

The win broke one of the greatest winning streaks in all of sports. UCLA came in with an 88-game winning streak, led by legendary coach John Wooden and featuring future Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame center Bill Walton.

"I remember that weekend, people were calling it the 'shot heard round the world,'" Clay said. "It eventually became known as just 'The Shot.'"

Fifty years later, "The Shot" still resonates in the world of college basketball – and in Clay's life.

"I can't say it gets brought up to me every day, but at least a few times a week," he said in an interview with the Post-Gazette from his home in Stanton Heights.

"If I go to the gym to work out, if I go to a restaurant or bar, or anywhere that there's a crowd, somebody always seems to bring up that game and that shot. It's been that way ever since it happened."

Friday marks the 50-year anniversary of "The Shot" and the iconic South Bend Tribune photograph that captured it. Clay has had hundreds of copies of it made for himself and, on Thursday from 5-8 p.m. he'll celebrate the 50-year anniversary of the timeless moment with a public get-together and picture signing session at Fogo de Chão Brazilian Steakhouse, 525 Smithfield St., Downtown.

Clay also had a similar picture signing event last weekend at a Marriott hotel near Notre Dame.

Donations will be accepted for Clay's autograph, with proceeds benefiting an education fund for Clay and his wife Karen's five grandchildren.

"After 50 years, that shot and that game doesn't get the coverage on ESPN like it used to and I don't think it gets the fanfare anymore that it deserves," said Clay. "So I thought, let me just try and get one last hurrah with it and maybe do something for my grandkids."

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The stakes

A young Digger Phelps was Notre Dame's coach in 1974 and in an interview with the Sporting News five years ago, he said, "That game, for me, did more for college basketball than any game. And don't take anything away from the UCLA-Houston game [in 1968].

"This game to me had more drama than any other game as you look at that time and that moment for college basketball. This was the moment."

Ten years ago, ESPN immortalized it further with a documentary about the game titled "88 and 1."

UCLA's 88-game winning streak started, coincidentally, a few years earlier after a loss to Notre Dame. In 1974, UCLA was coming off seven consecutive NCAA championships. The program was college basketball royalty, while Notre Dame was an up-and-coming program under Phelps.

Clay and some of his teammates are disappointed that Notre Dame doesn't have anything planned to celebrate anniversary of the game, when students and fans stormed the court at the final buzzer. Back then, storming the court wasn't a thing.

"I think Notre Dame dropped the ball on this. It really is unbelievable that they're not having something for us," Clay said. "All of my teammates are kind of disappointed."

Gary Brokaw was a standout guard on the 1974 team who made some key baskets down the stretch and threw the pass to Clay for the winning shot.

"Fifty years is a special occasion," said Brokaw, who played five years in the NBA. "We thought we might be hearing something from the university, but we haven't. But that won't take away the pleasure of anyone who saw that game and any of us who played in it."

The moment

Even before the shot, Clay, a guard, had developed the nickname "Iceman" at Notre Dame for making last-second shots. In 1973, Clay made a shot with two seconds left to break Marquette's 81-game home winning streak.

"He was the Iceman before [NBA great] George Gervin was the Iceman," Brokaw said.

Clay was a standout shooter at Fifth Avenue. He played on a great team in 1971, but the 1970-71 season also featured Schenley in the Pittsburgh City League. That Schenley team won a state title and is considered among the best in Western Pennsylvania history. It boasted legendary players Maurice Lucas and Ricky Coleman.

Clay went to Notre Dame, choosing the Fighting Irish over Pitt and Duquesne. Although he could always shoot, he also led Notre Dame in assists in three consecutive seasons.

But it was Clay's shooting prowess that would star in the final minute of the historic game that dripped with drama.

Notre Dame had fallen behind by 11 points with a few minutes remaining before making a furious comeback with its full-court press. UCLA led, 70-69, when Keith Wilkes was called for an offensive foul.

Brokaw, who had made a couple key baskets in the comeback, then got the ball on the left wing and dribbled to the right. UCLA's Tommy Curtis was guarding Clay, but left Clay to help on Brokaw. Clay drifted to the right corner.

"I had made two shots and I was ready to take the third one," Brokaw said with a laugh. "But when I saw Tommy Curtis come toward me, I said, 'I guess I can't take this shot. I have to do the right thing.'"

Clay was in the corner, waving his arms to Brokaw. Clay had made only 1 of 4 shots previously in the game.

"I should've coined the phrase, 'Just give me the damn ball' before Keyshawn Johnson did in football because that's what I was saying," Clay said with a laugh. "I was waving my hands."

Brokaw threw the ball to Clay, who immediately went up with his pretty jump shot. On the television broadcast, legendary sportscaster Dick Enberg exclaimed "That's Clay!" when he let the shot go. Walton stood underneath the basket with his arms out, ready for the rebound.

There wasn't one. There was only a spot in college basketball lore for Clay.

UCLA called timeout and missed three shots in the final few seconds – and Notre Dame's fans went bonkers.

Clay ended up having a nice career at Notre Dame, averaging 9.2 points over three seasons. "The Shot" might overshadow his accomplishments, but he's OK with that. He had two tryouts with NBA teams after college, but failed to make the team.

Present day

Clay, 70, got his economics degree in four years from Notre Dame. After his failed NBA tryouts, he went into the working world in Pittsburgh. He worked 21 years in the investment banking business and then 16 years with the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board until retiring a few years ago.

He has officiated WPIAL and City League high school basketball for more than four decades. He only does a few games a year now. After all, he is 70. But he said he officiates just to give something back to the game of basketball – and kids.

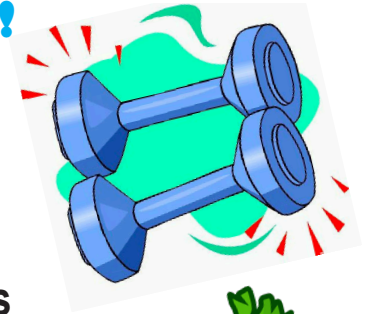
"The Shot" will always stay with Clay. It's part of his identity – and he's fine with that.

"I always say that shot was my 15 minutes of fame, and it's lasted 50 years."

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Ways to Stay Physically Healthy in 2024!

1. Exercise Regularly...Staying Physically fit improves cardiovascular and muscular health and helps fight disease. ...
2. Eat Right ...Fruits and Vegetables
3. Protect Yourself From COVID-19, the Flu, and RSV...Wear Masks
4. Get Enough Sleep..More Than 4 Hours a Night
5. Commit to Your Plan...Complete Plans



Ways to Stay Mentally Healthy in 2024!

1. Maintain Favorable Relationships...Create Safe Circles of Connections
2. Keep Positive Mental Attitude...All Relationships are not Lifelong
3. Laugh More...See Glass as Half full
4. Protect Your Time...Incorporate “No” into Your Answers
5. Control Your Controllables...Control Yourself



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