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## **LONG, OLSON AND COATES AMONG 20 PLAYERS AND COACHES TO REUNITE FOR SIX-ON-SIX GIRLS' BASKETBALL EXHIBITION GAME**

DES MOINES, IA – More than twenty notable players, coaches and dignitaries of the six-on-six girls' basketball era in Iowa will reunite for a very special event to be held in conjunction with the Des Moines premiere of SIX-ON-SIX: THE MUSICAL.

An exhibition game is scheduled for 12:00pm on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at the air-conditioned AIB College of Business Activity Center, 2280 Bell Avenue in Des Moines. The event, which will also feature six-on-six memorabilia, personal recollections, door prizes and entertainment, will be emceed by Dolph Pulliam.

Participating in the game, which will showcase the evolution of six-on-six girls' basketball from the three-court version played in the early 1900s to the two-court version played when the sport officially came to an end in Iowa in 1993, will be Hall of Fame players Jeanette Olson and Denise Long, whose Everly and Union-Whitten teams battled in the legendary championship game of 1968.

Other participants include players Deb Coates (Mediapolis), Kim Peters (Andrew), Kay Pick (Lake View-Auburn), Cindy Long (Union-Whitten), Sharon Tyler (South Hamilton), Rhonda Penquite (Ankeny), Shelly Soe (Manilla), and Lisa Brinkmeyer (Hubbard-Radcliffe), and coaches Bud McCrea (Lake View-Auburn) and Dick Rasmussen (Ankeny), and former Executive Secretary of the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union E. Wayne Cooley. All participants will also be honored at the Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> evening performance of SIX-ON-SIX: THE MUSICAL.

The event, organized and hosted by the Golden Girls Car-X Strutters team of the Iowa Granny Basketball League, is open to the public. Tickets are \$5.00 and may be purchased at the door; children 12 and under will be admitted free. All proceeds benefit Mentor Iowa. Questions about the exhibition game can be e-mailed to [sixonsixthegame@gmail.com](mailto:sixonsixthegame@gmail.com).

SIX-ON-SIX: THE MUSICAL will be presented July 10<sup>th</sup> through 19<sup>th</sup> at Hoyt Sherman Place Theater in Des Moines. Celebrating the tradition of six-on-six high school girls' basketball in Iowa, SIX-ON-SIX: THE MUSICAL was created by Robert John Ford, whose CAUCUS! THE MUSICAL received rave reviews and international acclaim during its premiere run in Des Moines in January 2008.

Tickets for the play may be purchased at the Hoyt Sherman Place box office or through Ticketmaster (online at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com), by phone at 800-745-3000, or at all outlets). Prices range from \$15 to \$25 per ticket; the student (college age and younger) price for all performances is \$20. More information about the play, performance schedule, and ticket prices may be found at [www.sixonsix.com](http://www.sixonsix.com).

“Fans of six-on-six won’t want to miss this rare opportunity to see these great players and coaches on the basketball court once again,” says Ford. “Both the exhibition game and the play are great ways for women who played six-on-six to share a piece of their history with their children and grandchildren.”

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