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### **The Portsmouth Invitational Tournament To Be Held April 7-10, 2010**

Portsmouth, VA– The Portsmouth Invitational Tournament (P.I.T.) will be held April 7<sup>th</sup> through April 10<sup>th</sup> at Churchland High School, 4301 Cedar Lane. The P.I.T., which is recognized by NBA and European basketball scouts as the premier showcase for potential professional prospects, is the oldest amateur basketball tournament in the United States.

Tickets are \$10 per night or a tournament ticket book is \$30 for all 12 games. Tickets may be purchased through any Ticketmaster outlet and at the Willett Hall box office, 3701 Willett Drive in Portsmouth. In addition, tickets will be sold at the gate prior to the start of each game. For information on tickets or group discounts, call 393-5460.

As a part of the event, the P.I.T. Celebrity Luncheon will be held on April 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. at the Renaissance Portsmouth Hotel, 425 Water St. Bruce Pearl, head basketball coach at the University of Tennessee, will be the featured speaker. To purchase luncheon tickets, which are \$25, call 484-2494.

#### **2010 P.I.T. Games Schedule**

- ❖ Wednesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> –  
Opening round games at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.
- ❖ Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup> –  
A free consolation game at 3:15 p.m.  
Opening round games at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.
- ❖ Friday, April 9<sup>th</sup> –  
A free consolation game at 3:15 p.m.  
Semi-finals at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.
- ❖ Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup> – Final games:  
12 noon -7<sup>th</sup> Place  
2 p.m.-consolation Championship Game  
6 p.m. -3<sup>rd</sup> Place Championship Game  
8 p.m. – The Championship Game

For more information, visit [www.portsmouthinvitational.com](http://www.portsmouthinvitational.com) or send an e-mail to [pit@portsmouthva.gov](mailto:pit@portsmouthva.gov).