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## PIZZA HUT CLASSIC IN LAS VEGAS APRIL 4

Wichita, Kan. - The coaches of college basketball's surprise teams of 1980 - Denny Crum of Louisville and Larry Brown of UCLA - will direct the East and West all-star teams in the 10th annual Pizza Hut Basketball Classic April 4 in Las Vegas.

Both men guided young teams through the perils of the new NCAA 48-team tournament format into the finals at Indianapolis, where Crum and former UCLA star and assistant coach defeated Brown's first UCLA team 59-54.

The Pizza Hut Basketball Classic, which has raised more than \$500,000 for various charities since its inception in 1972, will be televised nationally as part of the CBS Sports Spectacular series.

Crum is in his 10th season as head coach of the Louisville Cardinals.

His nine-year winning percentage of .799 (219-55) is the second-best among active major college coaches and includes seven NCAA tournament appearances, three times in the "final four." His 1980 team finished 33-3.

When Crum won his 200th game, it became the earliest of any major college coach (the 16th game of his ninth season). It took his mentor John Wooden of UCLA until his 17th game of his 10th season to win No. 200.

Crum served as Wooden's freshman coach following graduation in 1958. He spent four seasons as head coach of Pierce Junior College in California before returning in 1967 as Wooden's top assistant and chief recruiter. He took over the Louisville job in 1971.

Brown moved into the collegiate coaching ranks last year after 11 1/2 successful seasons as a professional player and coach. He led his young

Bruins to a 22-10 record, winning 14 of their final 18 games.

Brown was All-American guard at North Carolina and played on

the U.S. Olympic Team which won the 1964 Gold Medal in Tokyo. He became an original player in the ABA, being named all-star in three

of his five seasons. As a pro coach, Brown won five division titles in his 6 1/2 seasons and was twice named ABA Coach-of-the-Year.



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