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## ***Portsmouth Invitational Tournament Update***

*The Portsmouth Invitational Tournament is less than a month away. To date, commitments have been received from the following players...*

- WHO:** **Robert Vaden** of UAB, **Ahmad Nivins** of Saint Joseph's, and **Chris Johnson** of LSU. Announced earlier were Virginia Tech's A.D. Vassallo, Notre Dame's Kyle McAlarney, and Memphis' Robert Dozier.
- WHAT:** The **57<sup>th</sup> Annual Portsmouth Invitational Tournament**, the nation's oldest amateur basketball tournament, recognized by NBA and European scouts as the premier showcase for potential professional prospects.
- WHEN:** April 8-11, 2009.
- ADMISSION:** \$10 per night or \$30 for all 12 games of the tournament. Tickets available through Ticketmaster and through the Willett Hall box office. (NOTE: The 3:15 p.m. Thursday and Friday afternoon consolation games and Saturday's noon and 2 p.m. games are FREE!)
- WHERE:** All games held in the gymnasium of Churchland High School, 4301 Cedar Lane, Portsmouth.
- CONTACT:** Ticket information: 757-393-5460 (Willett Hall) or 757-671-8100 (Ticketmaster). Additional information can be found at [www.portsmouthinvitational.com](http://www.portsmouthinvitational.com).

*Don't forget to mark your calendars for the **Portsmouth Invitational Tournament Celebrity Luncheon**: 11:30 a.m. April 10, Renaissance Portsmouth Hotel. Guest Speaker: Pat Williams, senior vice president, Orlando Magic. Since 1968, Williams has been the general manager with teams in Chicago, Atlanta, Philadelphia and Orlando. In 1996, he was named one of the 50 most influential people in NBA history. Admission \$25. Call 757-484-2494 for tickets.*

**Stay tuned for additional names of players, to be released in the weeks leading up to the tournament.**