

200th Episode of "Sports Highlights"



Sports Highlights, a Sports Interview Cable TV Show, will celebrate its 200th episode with the February - 2011 edition.

Sports Highlights is hosted by Newport News native, Greg Bicouvaris, who also is a radio host for 102.1 FM & 1490 AM The Game, in Virginia Beach and has been in broadcasting since he was a student at George Mason University - where he graduated in 1989.

The show is produced monthly by the Newport News Telecommunications Center and the show started in February, 1992. Marvin Hedgepeth and the late Jackie Diggs were the first two guests on the show. Paul Cummings, who created the show, and Hedgepeth will be guests for the 200th anniversary episode.

Paul Cummings was the first Executive Producer of the show and oversaw the program from 1992-2004.

Ray Price has been part of the production team for the show since 1993, and is now the Executive Producer and Director of Sports Highlights. Price has done camera work, editing, producing, and directing at the studio and at various remote locations - where the show has been produced.

Several staff members and students have assisted with the production of the show since the beginning.

The program started out in a radio studio with just Cummings and Bicouvaris and expanded into a bigger television studio in 1993.

Sports Highlights has had over 500 guests on the show , with notable names such as : Mike Tomlin, Mike London, Ronald Curry, Allen Iverson, Bruce Smith, Jerry Stackhouse, Terry Holland , Lefty Driesell , Blaine Taylor, Bobby Wilder, Frank Beamer, Serena Williams, former Newport News Mayors, Joe Frank & Barry DuVal - just to name a few.

The show airs on Cox Cable Channel 47 in Newport News, Verizon Fios 17, and is webcast on www.nnpstv.com . The show has won two Communicator Awards. The program was originally called Newport News Sports Highlights, and has featured trivia as well.

Bicouvaris has done play by play for the station since 1992 and has broadcast 12 different sports on TV and radio during his career. For more on Bicouvaris, log onto www.gjbtv.com.

Bicouvaris is the son of the late Dr. Mary and Jim Bicouvaris, and he also has a sister, Valerie Bicouvaris-Stamatatos, who is a teacher and also works part-time in the broadcasting business. She resides in Maryland.

For more on Sports Highlights, log on to www.nnpstv.com.