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Dear Dropping Dimes Foundation and Former ABA Players:

As a young child in Terre Haute, Indiana, I was a huge fan of the American Basketball Association, and dreamed of being the next Billy Keller, Louie Dampier, Freddie Lewis, Donnie Freeman, or James Silas. Following my beloved Indiana Pacers, I was thrilled to be a ball boy in the mid-1970s. Like Dropping Dimes Co-Founder, Dr. John Abrams, as a ball boy, I credit Indiana Pacers athletic trainer David Craig with teaching me the discipline, motivation, and work ethic necessary to become a health care provider.

During my 28-year podiatric career, I have been a member and a Fellow of the American Academy of Podiatric Sports Medicine, which is an organization of over 500 podiatrists around the country that is dedicated to preventing, managing, treating and helping athletes with foot and ankle problems. The opening page of the Dropping Dimes Foundation website proclaims, "put simply, we aim to give back to deserving American Basketball Associations players and personnel who provided significant entertainment and excitement to fans in the 1960s and 1970s". We, the American Academy of Podiatric Sports Medicine (AAPSM), would also like to "give back" to you.

Working with Rita Yates, the Executive Director of the AAPSM and the Board of the AAPSM, we are amassing a network of AAPSM podiatrists around the country that will make their podiatric services available to you (at a lower rate if not covered by insurance). Specifically, once you identify a need to be seen by a podiatrist, you have 3 options in order to pursue care:

1. Call or e-mail the Dropping Dimes Foundation; or
2. Call or e-mail Rita Yates at AAPSM (1-352-620-8562 or [ritayates2@aol.com](mailto:ritayates2@aol.com)); or
3. E-mail me @: [akisok15@hotmail.com](mailto:akisok15@hotmail.com).

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In turn, Dropping Dimes or Rita will forward your information to me so that I can match you with an AAPSM podiatrist in your community. I would ask that this information be included:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_,

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_,

Preferred contact (phone or e-mail): \_\_\_\_\_  
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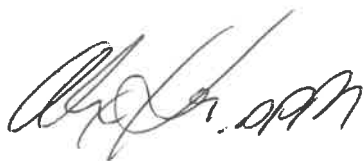
Please describe your foot or ankle problem:

Insurance:

- YES I have insurance
- No, I do not have insurance

Whether you have an ingrown toenail, heel pain, a diabetic ulcer, an ankle sprain, or need inserts for your feet, I am confident that the American Academy of Podiatric Sports Medicine (working in concert with the Dropping Dimes Foundation) can provide you the necessary care. If you have concerns about coverage for these services, AAPSM will work with you and Dropping Dimes Foundation in taking care of you and your feet. And, now 40 plus years later, I look forward to “giving back” to Billy Keller, Louis Dampier, Freddie Lewis, Donnie Freeman, James Silas, and all ABA players!

Sincerely,



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