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Parkinson Foundation WPA to Pay Tribute to Dick Groat at Brackets 101 Event in March

Pittsburgh, PA, January 30, 2020 ... Parkinson Foundation Western PA (PFWPA) announced today that the organization will include a special presentation on the extraordinary career of Pittsburgh's own **Dick Groat** at the revival of **Brackets 101** on the evening of March 16, 2020, at the Wyndham Grand Hotel with a reception at 5:00 pm that includes a buffet dinner and basketball contests, followed by the unique **Bracket 101** presentation.

Brackets 101 is a very lively discussion of the 2020 NCAA men's basketball bracket selections with a panel of local sports media personalities, including **Paul Zeise** (P-G and The Fan) and Pitt star, **Julius Page**, and led by longtime Pittsburgh sports personality **Ellis Cannon**. A number of sports celebrities from various pro and college teams are sprinkled throughout the audience to engage the panel and develop a very entertaining exchange.

PFWPA Executive Director, Christine Haythorn, said, "We are very excited to be able to recognize **Dick Groat** and his legendary careers in two sports as we gather to kick off the 2020 men's college basketball tournament with **Brackets 101**. We are looking forward to a very enjoyable evening with what I expect will be strong opinions from our panel on tournament seedings, who's in, who's out, and who they expect to advance to the championship game."

Beginning with a physician's diagnosis, PFWPA provides an individual with leading-edge programs aimed at achieving the highest possible quality of life. This includes programs proven to be effective in maintaining mobility and strength to manage the symptoms of the disease through frequent classes such as yoga, dance, and other activities, while also improving cognitive functions, overall mood, a sense of well-being and helping to lessen depression. PFWPA also provides an array of direct service programs, support group meetings, caregiver support, and training for health professionals, for those individuals with PD and those who care for them. PFWPA does not receive any payments from insurance companies or government agencies for these services.

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