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BLOOMINGTON, ILL.--Seattle's loss is Jack Horenberger Night's gain.

Now that his Seattle SuperSonics are out of the running for a berth in the National Basketball Association playoffs, Jack Sikma will attend the Apr. 18 dinner honoring the retiring Illinois Wesleyan University athletic director and baseball coach.

"If I can't be in the playoffs, I'd rather be at that dinner honoring Coach Horenberger than any place I can think of," Sikma told IWU basketball coach Dennis Bridges by telephone from San Diego today. The Sonics play at San Diego Tuesday. "As I meet Wesleyan alums and sports figures throughout the country, I've learned even more than I knew in college how much Coach Horenberger means to Wesleyan people," the former Titan cage star said.

"We plan to work Sikma into the program for the dinner," Don Clemens, chairman of the committee planning the 7 p.m. event at the Scottish Rite Temple, said.

Another IWU graduate who has made it big in professional sports, Bobby Winkles, now a coach with the Chicago White Sox, will be the featured speaker at the dinner. Bridges, who will succeed Horenberger as athletic director, will be the master of ceremonies.

Ticket order forms may be obtained by writing to Jack Horenberger Night, Box 695, Bloomington, Ill. 61701 or by calling 828-1341 (AC 309). Tickets will be \$12 each.