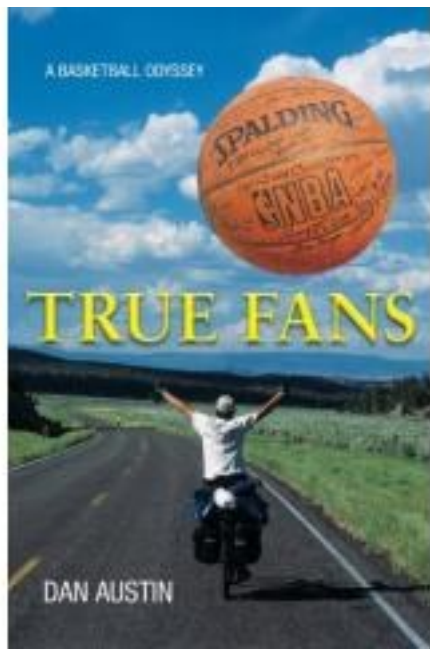


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<p>The road holds all the answers.""

Based on the nationally touring film of the same name, Dan Austin's hilarious and thoughtful True Fans details the journey Dan, his brother Jared, and best friend Clint Ewell started when they hopped aboard their bicycles and headed east from the pickup court at Venice Beach, handlebars pointed toward the NBA Hall of Fame. It was a basketball pilgrimage, shooting hoops on sandlots across the country, looking for enlightenment under a net. In their bicycle trailer, which they called ""The Ark of the Covenant,"" they carried a few

gallons of peanut butter and an unused basketball, on which they collected the signatures of those who helped them on their journey, from the Reverend Kevin Smith, who let them sleep behind his church, to Dick Simmons, a coal miner who offered them five dollars he could scarcely afford to part with. They would bring this ball to the Hall of Fame, and ask that it be included in the permanent collection.

What would America do, the book also asks, if three guys on bikes with a basketball in tow

showed up and begged for a handout? Not everyone was friendly- the strange ""owner"" of

Amboy, Nevada, makes for a fairly spooky villain- but most of the country, they found, would

do just about anything for them. Doors were opened from California to Springfield, Massachusetts, hamburgers comped, hot tubs proffered. Austin and his crew knocked, and for

one hundred days, America answered. The result was a classic odyssey.</p>

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