AREA SPORTS

SHORT SHOTS

Wes Unseld's Adult Basketball Camp

Bullet's fans can get a taste of Bullets basketball first hand in the first Wes Unseld Adult Basketball Camp, July 9-12, in Gettysburg, PA.

The camp, which will be held at the same training facility used by the players, will feature Bullets coach Wes Unseld and assistant coaches Bill Blair and Jeff Bzdelik.

Camp attendees will experience the Wes Unseld brand of basketball. They will learn the Bullets's offense and defense, run the same drills used by the professionals while spending four days and three nights with the pros.

The price of the camp, $450 for Bullets season ticket holders and $600 for non-season ticket holders, includes transportation, accommodations, meals and Bullets work-out gear.

The camp is open to anyone over the age of 25, with space for 100 people.

For more information, contact Shane Stadler at (301) 773-2255.

Bullets 'Back To Basics' Summer B-Ball Clinics

The Washington Bullets have scheduled basketball clinics to be conducted by Bullets' players and coaches throughout the summer. Although most of the clinics are in the Washington, D.C. area, two are set for the Baltimore area.

The two hour clinics, which are designed to teach youths the fundamentals of basketball, are scheduled for Madison Square Recreation on July 15th, from 10-12 a.m. as a preliminary to the Charm City Classic on July 22nd.

The July 22nd clinic will be held at a site to be determined, but will feature a basketball game that will pit several local basketball veterans against the 1989 Bullets rookie team.

For more information, contact William Wells at Madison Square Recreation Center at 396-9284, Vernon Wolst at 396-7067 or Mimi Harris at NBA-Dunk.

TSU Girls Basketball Camp

From Monday, July 17 thru Friday, July 21, the first girls's basketball camp will be held at Towson State University.

The camp is designed to teach the fundamentals of basketball through instruction, drill work, lectures and game competition. It is for girls between the ages of 8 and 17.

The cost of the camp is $98 per camper and it includes instructions, insurance, lunch and a camp shirt. All camp applicants must include a $25 non-refundable deposit with their application. The balance is due by July 10, 1989.

For more information and an application, contact Ellen Fitzkee, Women's Basketball Coach, Towson State University, Towson, Maryland, 21204 or call (301) 321-3153.

AFRO sponsors women's league

The AFRO - AMERICAN Newspaper has agreed to sponsor trophies and awards for the Greater Baltimore Woman's Indoor Summer Basketball League.

The new league for girls 17 and under began on June 13. Games are played 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday at the Community College of Baltimore. the season ends on Saturday, July 22 with All-Star games scheduled for noon and 2:00 p.m.

The league founder and commissioner, Coach Breezy Bishop, says, "everyone's very excited about this great opportunity for some of the best girls in the Baltimore area to play together."

There are six teams in this first year of operation — Seton - Keough, Mount Hebron, Waves AAU, Arbutus, Flaghouse and the United States Youth Games team.

Coach Bishop says, "we hope to expand next year after we see how well we do this year. For now, we have a bare-bones operation because we were unable to get enough corporate sponsorship even though we tried very hard. Maybe after they see the dedication and the success of this organization, the Baltimore business community will be anxious to help us out next year."

For more information, contact Coach Bishop at 655-3805.

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SPORTSCENE

By Fred Lindsey

BBA Basketball

Tony Carter sets the tone for Cecil and winning.

At Cloverdale, in the BBA's (Baltimore Basketball Association) 30 and Over League, Cecil is running away from the competition.

Currently at 7-0, with a recent victory of Clarence's Star, Cecil appears unstoppable using the strong nucleus of Kevin Graham, Tony Carter, Brian Mattens and Steve Smith, to get both rebounds and points.

Last year, Cecil was disappointed in their performance because they lost the championship to Sandtown, but so far this year, they have settled into a very positive groove, with six of their seven victories won by 20 points or more. They seem destined to recapture their championship spirit.

"Cecil looks real tough, this year," said Jane MacMurray, coach of the last team to beat Cecil, "but because I don't have a team in the league this year, there is really no way to gauge their success."

However, the Cecil attitude about this mission is best exhibited by a menacing Tony Carter, who always plays with profound intensity.

"We'll just have to keep kicking (expletive) until we get back what's rightfully ours," Carter said.

In the Unlimited League, East Division's Peter Drew leads both conferences in total victories with a record of 6-1. The Charm City Breakers and Murray's Fuel Oil are tied at 4-2 for the West Division lead. The league standings, as of July 2nd are as follows:

East Division	W	L
Peter Drew	6	1
Cloverdale H.S.	3	1
Sandtown Stars	3	2
Harris Hawks	3	3
Foxes Den	2	3
L.A. Big Time	2	4
Tony's Fastbreak	1	5
East Division	**W**	**L**
Charm City Breakers	4	2
Murray's Fuel Oil	4	2
Cherry Hill	3	2
Lefty's Bail Bond	2	3
Easterwood	2	3
Myrtle Ave.	2	4
Burnside Eagles	2	5

Mike Brown of Harris Hawks continues to lead the Unlimited League in scoring with 155 points in six games, for a 25 point average.

Other leading scores are:

L. Griffin (Burnside Eagles 107 points;
S. Darnell (Easterwood Stars) 106 points;
T. Roger (Myrtle Ave.) 104 points;
R. Scipio (L.A. Big Time) 104 points;
L. Witherspoon (Murrays) 103 points'
S. Casell (Cloverdale N.S.) 102 points;
J. Thomas (Peter Drew) 96 points;
E. Quilen (Charm City) 95 points;
K. Goodie (L.A. Big Time) 90 points.

NATIONAL YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAM Director Donald Webster (far right) discusses program with Minerva Eaton, liaison officer and Jamaine Williams, counselor.

Morgan's National Youth Sports Program

By Fred Lindsey

After its first week, Morgan State University's National Youth Sports Program (NYSP) is going full-speed ahead, despite a real need for more financial support.

Operating without a strong economic base, NYSP is accommodating nearly 300 youngsters, aged 10-16, from Baltimore's disadvantaged communities by providing sports training, athletic competition, drug education and the exposure to higher education at the Coldspring Lane campus.

In opening ceremonies, acting director of Baltimore City's Department of Parks and Recreation, Ralph Chase, shared his childhood experiences with the NYSP participants and said that no one could predict where opportunities of life will come from.

He urged the participants to use the program as a chance to expand one's life in a positive direction. These sentiments and more were echoed by Donald Webster, the director of this year's National Youth Sports Program.

"More important than our considerable need for money," Webster said, "is the need to teach the kids about life and to enforce something positive into it. This program is not simply a matter of kids having fun. It is truly a learning experience.

"The ultimate objective of NYSP," Webster said, "is to provide disadvantaged youth with a different cultural environment. The program offers opportunities to better one's life with sports as an intricate vehicle, but basically we want to throw away the negatives in their lives and replace them with more positives. Because money is so essential, we need more, obviously to do more."

In addition to the sports and cultural activities, the NYSP also has an enrichment tool, in which counselors talk to the young people about drug and alcohol abuse, nutrition, personal health aids and career opportunities.

Sponsored by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and the Office of Community Services, NYSP has seen the Federal Government limit the resources to such programs, in the era of Reagan, but the needs are still apparent.

"If I didn't think it was worthwhile," Webster said, "I would do something else. Needy kids should have all the support that adults can give them."

Hopkins/Dunbar Scholar-Athlete

By Fred Lindsey

Earl Kutcherman was one of 40 Dunbar High School students honored recently at a luncheon at Johns Hopkins University for his outstanding academic accomplishments, as a part of the Hopkins-Dunbar Health Professions Program.

Kutcherman, who has consistently maintained a 3.7 gpa (grade point average), is also a member of Dunbar's JV (junior varsity) basketball team.

Academic star Earl Kutcherman, says sports are second to the books.

While many student - athletes place more emphasis on athletics than academics, Kutcherman has begun to set his life to the professional world of dentistry.

He says that his principal, Dr. Elzee Gladden, has encouraged students to work to their own potential, and he is compentent that he can do just that.

"While I feel that academics are more important than sports, I think I can comfortable handle them both with little or no problem, Kutcherman said, "but I'm not planning a professional basketball career. I'm trying to be more practical and realistic in obtaining my life's goals."

This Fall, Kutcherman will be a junior. He has already taken the PSAT (Predictor-Scholastic Aptitude Test) and has earned a score of 910. This means that Kutcherman should be able to attend the college of his choice.

"Because I believe in doing the best that I can do, I'm going to practice basketball like I practice with the books," Kutcherman said. "This way, I may have the best of both worlds."

School for the Blind's Track Tournament

By Fred Lindsey

At least 130 students from seven schools for the blind recently participated in a track and field tournament on the campus of Baltimore's Maryland School for the Blind (MSB).

Sponsored by the Eastern Athletic Association for the BLIND (EAAB), the tournament consisted of schools which educate the visually impaired and promote interscholastic competition for visually impaired and multi - handicapped students.

Their total athletic program consists of events in swimming, wrestling, cheerleading, scouting activities goal ball (a game in which participants try to score points based on the sound of a bell that is embedded in a soccertype ball) and track and field.

Seventeen students from MSB competed in both the A and B divisions of competition. Denise Smith, 17, from Randallstown, was named the "Most Valuable Girl" in the "B" division, a level of contention for students who are multi-handicapped.

Smith took first place in the 50-yard dash, the 75-yard dash and the softball throw.

Denise Smith shows her championship form.

In the "A" division, Baltimore's Kia Holcomb, 17, scored a first in the 330-yard dash and the shot putt. This group of competitors generally have a wider range for competing.

Shawn Knox, 19, also from Baltimore City placed first in the Boys "A" Division in the football throw.

Overall, MSB placed second to the Overbrook School for the Blind of Philadelphia in girls events, while the boys events saw the New York Institute win top honors and MSB boys finishing out of contention.

Sam Lacy

Boo!!

Each of us has a reservoir of pet peeves that irritate beyond description . . . . Anyone who doesn't really shouldn't qualify as an ardent sports fan.

On the scene of an event — sometimes even when watching television — we may throw our voices into the crescendo of boos that shower down on an offending athlete or official . . . . But that effort, it must be admitted, has little or no effect.

Booing may give momentary relief, but no satisfaction is derived because a boo is only temporary.

Nor does it really help to list our gripes on paper . . . . Even if the guys/gals read them, they don't care . . . . We don't either, after a while.

Nevertheless, here goes with a few of the lasting gripes of an old geezer who's been around a long time:

Baseball — Hitters with the count 3 and 2 who step out of the box and spend 10 seconds reading the coaches' signs . . . . Hitters who charge opposing pitchers by circuitous routes so that someone will step up and catch them . . . . Cute, talkative, unfunny booth guys for games on radio . . . . Big-word "color" men on TV broadcasts . . . . Sparky Anderson hero worshippers and their interviews.

Basketball — Officials who "carry" name stars through ball games without a single foul commission . . . . Who watch "slam-dunk" artists take three, four, sometimes five steps in advancing toward the basket — and to hell with the guys who get in their way . . . . Coaches who require their players to foul an opponent in the last 20 seconds of a game in which their teams are 25-30 points behind.

Football — Instant replays . . . . Why not give the game back to the on-field officials? Of course, there'll be mistakes made, but none of these will be intentional and they usually level off . . . . All-white head coaches in the NFL . . . . Cheap-shot artists . . . . Actors in pads . . . . Photogs who pan on a cheerleader doing her thing while her partners are standing around watching and lamenting the fact their team is 30 points behind in the game.

Track — Trackside interviews with guys or gals who have just finished hard, breath-taking races . . . . Stupid questions like: "When did you know you had the race won? (of someone who left the blocks five yards in front and was never threatened . . . . Steroids.

Postscripts Sugar Ray Lemon (sic) being patronizing after being *given* a draw with the guy who beat him.

Billy Martin and Howard Cosell in retrospect.

George Foreman (should be retrospect).

Pete Rose.

Gary Player.

McEnroe and Agassi.

Imperial Wizards.

High fives.

Low fives.

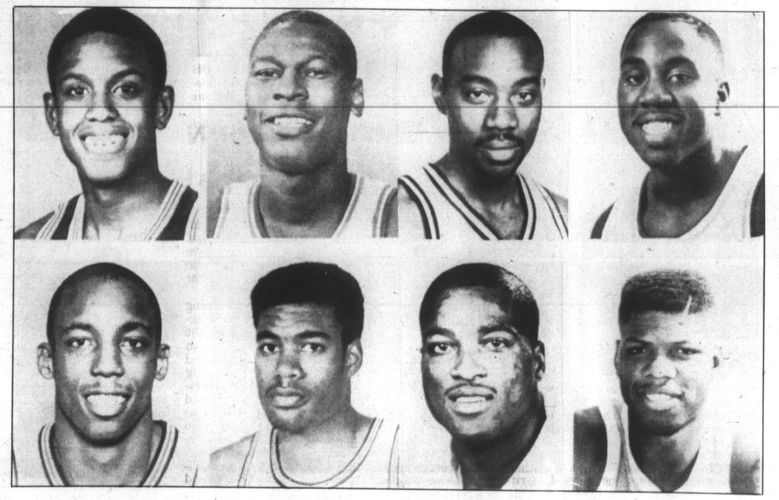
Needles and diets.

P.S. — A Ronald Reagan coin.

Notable quotable

Notre Dame football coach Lou Holtz:

"I really only ever wanted two things. First, I never really wanted to be rich. Second, I never really wanted to be poor."



HELLO THERE, NBA — Eight of the most promising prospects among college players drafted last week by National Basketball Association clubs are shown here: TOP ROW (left to right) — B. J. Armstrong of Iowa, taken by Chicago; Mookie Blaiock of Oklahoma, by New Jersey; Byron Irvin of Missouri, by Portland, and John Morton, Seton Hall, selected by Cleveland. BOTTOM ROW (L-R) Sean Elliott of Arizona, by San Antonio; Pervis Ellison of Louisville, drafted No. 1 by Sacramento; Kenny Battle, Illinois, by Detroit, and J. R. Reid of North Carolina, chosen by Charlotte.

Lose one, win one, maybe

A strong possibility looms that the loss of one black coach in major college basketball may result in an indirect replacement.

The situation being described relates to the recent firing of Bob Wade by Maryland in favor of Gary Williams, and the replacement of Williams at Ohio State by Nolan Richardson.

However, Richardson already is a major college coach, he having just concluded his fourth year as head man at Arkansas.

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It is ironical, though, that the circumstances surrounding the lose-a-black, gain-a-black exchange, could result in a half-million-dollar contract for the survivor.

At Arkansas, Nolan has a TV-radio package and summer camp which local interests are so happy with that they're talking sweeten the pot to match the $500,000 awaiting Richardson at Columbus.

All of which pressures Nolan to make the choice.

Wimbledon: the same story

Black tennis hopefuls once again failed to make a dent in the upper echelon of contenders at Wimbledon last week.

Zina Garrison lost quickly but Lori McNeil gained some small respect by lasting through three rounds.

Garrison was seeded 5th in the event.

Her first round opponent, Kimito Date of Japan, fell, 6-1, 6-2.

But her next match proved disastrous. Zina lost to an obscure Australian, Louise Field. Her second round exit was Garrison's earliest ever. She was a semi-finalist in 1988.

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Lori, meanwhile, downed Nicole Jagerman of the Netherlands, 6-3, 6-1. She followed with a second-round ouster of Martina Pawlik of West Germany. And on Friday, the 24-year-old Texan got past Judith Wiesner of Austria.

Lori's string carried her into the Final 16, where she was matched with Arantxa Sanchez-Vicarlo of Spain, who the previous week defeated world No. 1 Steffi Graf of West Germany.

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Rookie Stacey Martin of Largo (Md.) bowed 6-3, 7-6, to veteran Ann Henricksson.

But Camille Benjamin, her fifth time in the championships, also was ousted in the first round, losing to Australian Nicole Provis.

Playing her second Wimbledon, Katrina Adams of Chicago, advanced with a victory over Amanda Coetzer of South Africa, 7-5, 6-3.

She then turned in a 6-1, 6-2 win over fellow-American Carrie Cunningham.

In a match that may have been looked upon as a novelty in a major tournament, Michael Chang, a Chinese-American, defeated Haitian Ronald Agenor, in three sets.

Bits and chits of the week

Jim Dent, winner for the first time a week ago at Rochester, eagled the final hole in the U.S. Seniors Open on Sunday to tie for third behind winner Orville Moody and pick up a check for $22,267.

His total for the two weekends: $62,267.

Thomas Hearns' brother to stand trial for murder

SOUTHFIELD, Mich. (UPI) — The brother of boxer Thomas Hearns was ordered Friday to stand trial for first-degree murder in the slaying of a young woman in a bedroom of the fighter's suburban Detroit home.

Henry Hearns, 22, was sent to the Oakland County Jail without bond to await arraignment in Oakland County Circuit Court on July 18. He is accused of killing his girlfriend, Nancy Barile, 19, of Shelby Township, on June 10.

Judge Stephen Cooper of 46th District Court ordered Hearns bound over for trial following a two-day preliminary examination that featured graphic testimony of witnesses to the slaying.

If convicted as charged, Hearns would face a mandatory penalty of life in prison without parole.

Thomas Hearns was in Las Vegas, preparing for a super middleweight title bout against Sugar Ray Leonard the night Barile died in a bedroom at his Southfield home. The fight ended in a draw.

Richard Veeder, one of several people in the house on June 10, testified Thursday that Henry Hearns screamed "I killed her!" moments after Barile was slain by a bullet that tore off the top of her head.

Before she was shot, Barile pleaded with Veeder to stop Hearns from dragging her into the bedroom "where the guns are." The two had been arguing because she wanted to leave the house, he said.

After taking his children into the hall, Veeder said he returned to the bedroom and had his hand on the closed door when he heard Hearns shout from inside the room: "I going to blow your . . . brains out."

He heard a gunshot, opened the door and saw "Henry standing there, and Nancy was laying on the bed . . . I saw that the top of her head was missing."

Veeder, 34, said he drove Hearns to the Southfield police headquarters a few minutes later and that before walking into the station, Hearns said, "Maybe we should say it was suicide."

'Football where action is,' bookie

Baseball piker compared to NFL gambling

A Tidewater bookmaker adds an ironic note to the furor over gambling allegations involving Cincinnati Reds manager Pete Rose — very few of his clients mess with wagers on major league baseball.

The bookmaker, speaking to The Virginian-Pilot and The Ledger-Star in Norfolk on the condition he not be identified, said the National Football League is where the action is.

"Everybody wants to bet on Sunday games," said the person identified only as Bobbie the Bookie. "People come out of the closet for the pros. It's hard to say how much I do (in bets) a week, but I know it's powerful.

"If it wasn't for pro football, some bookmakers would go out of business," he continued. "A lot of local bookies quit for the season after the Super Bowl. Others stick around for college basketball's Final Four, and then they close. College football has been picking up in recent years, but it will never come close to the NFL."

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When it comes to baseball, there's not much action. "Baseball is a long season and there isn't that much interest," he told the Sunday paper.

Police generally have no idea how much illegal gambling is going on — "your guess is as good as mine" said one officer — and add that unless huge amounts of money are involved, other crimes will get a higher investigative priority.

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Bobbie the Bookie does most of his work by phone, with payoffs and payups at predetermined meeting places on the Tuesday following Sunday games. Out-of-town players ship money by mail or overnight delivery services.

"I'm basically low-key," he told the paper. "I do not hang around the restaurants where you find the big guys. I don't want my name on the street."

He said when it comes to players, his term for clients, the serious ones look for money-making bets — for instance, the NFL wagerers who bet on home, inner-division underdogs. They are the ones most likely to bet a nickel ($500) or a dime ($1,000), compared to the standard $110 bet to win $100 on the Redskins.

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The Redskins bets are no surprise to psychology professor Steve Danish of Virginia Comonwealth University, who cites the fans commitment and calls the wager "putting your money where your mouth is."

Danish said some players bet for excitement, while others "read the sports pages and believe they have an understanding of what's going on. They are coaches in their mind. They feel as though they can recognize athletic talent."

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Experts say sports betting jumped 10 percent last year and estimates of illegal betting top $19 billion nationwide. The increase comes because "gambling has become more acceptable than it was a few years ago," sociology professor Lawrence Beckhouse of William and Mary told the paper.

"The stigma of gambling has eased considerably," Beckhouse said. "In fact, some states have suggested their own sports books in an effort to tap into business coming out of Nevada."

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Police told the paper the Virginia lottery has had little if any impact on illegal gambling in the area. The Oregon state lottery is considering a weekly betting pool card, but the NFL has threatened a legal challenge.

A high-level law enforcement source told the paper that unless gambling involves a politician, judge or policeman, little will be done in the way of prosecution.

"There isn't much interest in going after the guy who places a bet with his local bookie on a Redskins game," the source said. "Now if we hear a bookmaker is doing $2 million of business a week, then that's a different story."

Bobbie the Bookie told the paper he has no regular job and made about $135,000 last year.