

Sports

Spring Training is here, so even Orioles can be proud

Spring training is here once again. No, this isn't one of those stories about how I went to spring training in Florida and saw my lifelong hero in action or anything like that. I've only been to Florida once, and that was to go to Disney World.

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Rather, this is the time of year for all Baltimore Orioles fans to join together and have hope; our beloved Birds are breaking out of their five-year slump in 1989. Back when we were all teenagers in 1983, still using Clearasil and not shaving every day, manager Joe Altobelli led Baltimore over the Philadelphia Phillies in the World Series. But Jim Palmer retired with injuries the next year, certain key people passed their peak, and management made some stupid decisions. The result was a franchise in shambles. In 1986, the Orioles' streak of 18 winning seasons was snapped, and frankly, Baltimore has just plain sucked since then.

It was cool to be an Orioles' fan when they were winning. You didn't have to take a back seat to anyone in baseball arguments, except maybe Yankee fans. They could always boast about their many talented players, but let's not forget about how General George Steinbrenner virtually buys good players with multi-million dollar contracts.

Look what a few years ago. I can no longer proudly wear in public my Orioles T-shirt or my cap with the cartoon Oriole logo. (They're changing that, by the way, to a more ornithologically-correct Oriole.) People tease me. It's no fun cheering for a losing team. I can now relate to all-Green Bay Packer fans.

Two analogies come to mind: (1) When people know you're a Baltimore fan, it's like sitting at the dinner table with your friends and having ketchup on the corner of your mouth. Everybody's laughing at you, but they won't tell you what's so funny if you ask.

(2) Rooting for the Orioles nowadays is like enjoying the sweet sounds of Debbie Gibson and Tiffany. You

can enjoy it in private just fine, but don't let anybody outside your immediate family know your secret.

Some people in this world have actually been sympathetic. As soon as they find out what team I like, they say, "Oh, I'm sorry," almost as if a close relative died. Most people aren't half as nice, though. There is something about a loud-mouthed baseball fan that makes people want to kick him when he's down. Followers of decent teams like to toss in little cutting remarks.

"Are the Orioles going to be any better this year?" they ask with a smirk. Hell, they went 54-107 in 1988. How can you get any worse? When I tell doubters that Joe Orsulak and Dave Schmidt will lead Baltimore out of the cellar, these guys laugh at me because they think I've made the names up.

"Dave Schmidt? Don't you mean Mike Schmidt? But he's the third baseman for the Phillies."

"No. I'm talking about Dave Schmidt, the pitcher. He's got the Orioles' best record over the last two seasons."

"Really? How many games did he win? Five? Ha ha ha ha..."

You get the idea. But get ready, Bird fans. This is the year that Baltimore will leave the basement and return the Cleveland Indians to their customary position at the bottom of the American League East. The youth movement by management will finally show dividends this year.

Yeah, yeah, you're saying, The Orioles have all-star shortstop Cal Ripken, but they traded Eddie Murray to the Dodgers, and he was half their team.

Not so. This is a common argument of Oriole bashers, but there is much more than that.

Newly-acquired outfielder Phil

Bradley could make a significant impact, as could former Atlanta Brave slugger Bob Horner. Horner is being given a tryout in training camp. If he makes the roster, he could add some much-needed power to the lineup.

Ripken's brother Bill plays second base. A fine fielder who hit over .300 his rookie year, he's got plenty of potential. But how much can you count on a guy who barely hit .200 last year and whose biggest claim to fame is having an obscenity on his baseball card?

Overall, there are about zero positions that are secure. Even Cal might be moved over to third. This isn't a team media guide, so we won't even try to go into detail about who's playing where. Just know that if we did, my cohorts would accuse me of making up names again. After all, the leading hitter was a guy named Joe Orsulak. And their best defensive player might be the legendary Brady Anderson.

The facts are sad but true. The Orioles finished 23 1/2 games behind Cleveland last year — but Cleveland was in sixth place. They won no more than four games against any division opponent. They won a season series from only one team, the mighty Seattle Mariners.

The Orioles have a long way to go before they become the perennially dominating force they were under Earl Weaver. But then again, you never know. The Dodgers were supposed to finish fifth last year, but we know what they did to the hard-hitting Oakland A's in the World Series. So why don't we just forget all the talk about Baltimore improving a little bit each year? Let's go for the whole ball of wax this year. We can have the World Series trophy back at Memorial Stadium where it belongs.

Prediction: Baltimore over Pittsburgh 4 to 1 in the 1989 World Series. Yeah, right. Maybe if someone just pinched me...

Thomas takes lacrosse honors

From staff reports Michael Thomas, a sophomore attackman from Baltimore, Md., was named the ACC Lacrosse Player-of-the-Week for the week of March 12-18.

Thomas scored two goals and had three assists and three ground balls in UNC's 20-7 victory over Ohio Wesleyan. He is the Tar Heels team

leader with 21 points (10 goals, 11 assists). He leads the team in assists.

Denkins leads UNC gymnasts

Freshman Angela Denkins set a UNC school record in the uneven parallel bars and finished first in the vault and floor exercises on Saturday to power the Tar Heels to a third-place finish at the ACC Invitational

Meet in Raleigh. Denkins scored a 9.8, topping the 9.75 record previously held by UNC sophomore Debbie Sigler.

Softball takes second in tourney TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — The UNC women's softball team capped off a 8-6 Spring Break by claiming second place in the Lady Seminole Fastpitch Invitational Sunday afternoon.

In the final game of the 16-team tournament, the Tar Heels lost to Northern Illinois, 3-2. The Huskies scored the winning run when Lisa Gilfoy singled in the tourney's MVP, Jill Justin, in the top of the ninth inning.

Tracey Narwid and Gina Elmore were named to the All-Tournament Team for the Tar Heels.

Try out for sports in NCAA meet Track places 8th

The North Carolina women's indoor track team capped an outstanding season by finishing in eighth place at the NCAA indoor track and field championships. By tying Missouri and Kentucky, the Tar Heels claimed the highest finish ever for a Carolina women's team.

"Kim actually led after the first round," Craddock said. "Kim's performance was one of many great efforts by our athletes. We brought ten women and all scored points." The other North Carolina All-Americans all set school records in their events. Sharon Couch was fourth in the 55-meter hurdles, with a time of 7.75 seconds. The 3200-meter relay team of Michelle Faherty, Kari Krehnbrink, Monica Witterholt and Mia Pollard finished fifth. The 1600-meter relay team of Kendra Mackey, Sonya Thomas, Rebecca Russell and Shelby Moorman took sixth.

Campus Calendar

The DTH Campus Calendar is a daily listing of University-related activities sponsored by academic departments, student services and student organizations officially recognized by the Division of Student Affairs. To appear in Campus Calendar, announcements must be submitted on the Campus Calendar form by NOON one business day before the announcement is to run. Saturday and Sunday events are printed in Friday's calendar and must be submitted on the Wednesday before the announcement is to run. Forms and a drop box are located outside the DTH office, 104 Union. Items of interest listing ongoing events from the same campus organizations and follows the same deadline schedule as Campus Calendar. Please use the same form.

- Tuesday 9 a.m. University Career Planning and Placement Services... Noon Undergraduate Sociology Club... 2 p.m. University Career Planning and Placement Services...

- 3:30 p.m. UCPPS will have a basic informational meeting for seniors and graduate students... 4 p.m. IABC will present David Fischel... 4:30 p.m. UCPPS will have an on-site interviewing workshop for seniors and graduate students... 5:45 p.m. Anglican Student Fellowship... 6 p.m. Order of the Bell Tower will meet in the Union for elections, committee selection and other fun... 7 p.m. UCPPS will sponsor a presentation by G.E. Financial Management in the Club Room...

- Talent Show/Lip Sync in Frank Porter Graham Lounge, Union. Everyone interested is welcome. UNC Pre-Law Club will meet in 208 Union. All are welcome. 7:30 p.m. UCPPS will sponsor a presentation by the U.S. Department of Energy in 210 Hanes. Activating Awareness for Choice and Equality will have a meeting in 210 Union to discuss Wednesday's pro-choice candlelight vigil. 8 p.m. UNC Young Democrats will have an officers meeting in 224 Union. Contact the president if you cannot attend; the meeting will last 35 to 40 minutes maximum. 11 p.m. WXYC FM 89.3 will play the new album from De La Soul, "3 Feet High and Rising," in its entirety with no interruptions. Items of Interest UNC Elections Board will hold special elections for Districts 2, 5 and 7 on March 28. Petitions are due today in 217-D, Union no

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RESEARCH SUBJECT VOLUNTEERS - Black women, 18-35, needed for a study which includes black and white subjects. This air pollution study involves various responses to ozone exposure. Must be free of colds or flu (6 weeks), non-smokers, non-asthmatic (5 years), no history of heart disease. Fee paid. Call 929-9993 for appointment/information. SPERM DONORS NEEDED. College students or graduates under 35 years old, willing to participate 6 months or longer in artificial insemination program. Confidentiality assured. \$30 per acceptable specimen. Call 962-6596 for screening information. SPRING CASH: Earn \$30 this week as a new plasma donor for approximately 3-4 hours of your spare time. Sera-Tec Biologicals, 942-0251. EARN \$9/HOUR, delivering THE INDEPENDENT in Chapel Hill. Must have reliable car, 4-6 hours/week year-round. Call Allison, 1-286-1972. summer jobs SUMMER EMPLOYMENT IN CHAPEL HILL. Lifeguards needed. Current Red Cross Certification a must. Contact Campus numbers as follows: 4 pm-7 pm, 933-1867 (Alli); 7 pm-9 pm, 933-3325 (Laura) COUNSELORS: CAMP WAYNE; co-ed children's camp, Northeastern Pennsylvania, 6/23-8/23. Great opportunity for personal growth! Specialty counselors needed for: Tennis, Swim (W.S.I. preferred), Basketball, Volleyball, Gymnastics, Aerobics, Nature/Camping, Guitar, Batik, Sculpture, Ceramics, Painting, Printmaking, Drama, Piano, Group Leaders (20+), General, R.N. Nurses Aide(20+), Bookkeeper, Drivers (21+), many other positions available. On Campus Interviews on Monday 4/10. Sign-up 211 Hanes Hall or call 516-889-3217 or write to: 12 Alleward St., Lido Beach, NY 11561. SUMMER EMPLOYMENT - Spend a pleasant summer in NJ/NY as a live-in mothers helper/NANNY. Duties include child care, possibly light housekeeping. Some families travel to the beach, mountains, have pools, swim clubs, etc. No fee. For application and information, send resume and/or letter of introduction (include references) to: Maid Search, Inc., 21 Rock Ave., Watchung, N.J. 07060. child care WANTED: Sitter for 2-year-old for 1 or 2 evenings per week. Must have own transportation. References preferred. Call 968-4716.

help wanted SWIMMING INSTRUCTORS NEEDED - Chapel Hill Pkx/Rec. Community Center Indoor/Outdoor Pool & A.D. Clark Outdoor Pool. Teach swimming to variety of ages, evaluate participants, some pool maintenance, flexible schedule. Prefer Lifeguard Training & Lifeguard Training Instructor Certs. Rewire Advanced Lifesaving & WSI Certs. Must be willing to obtain CPR & First Aid Cert. within 60 days of hire. \$5.50/hr. Apply by April 7: 200 Plant Rd. 968-2790. USTA/AVILO TENNIS LEAGUE SUPERVISOR - Chapel Hill Pkx/Rec. Supervise adult league, report scores/standings. Mon-Thurs, 6:10-30 pm, April 3 - mid-June. Prefer playing exp. \$4.40/hr. Apply immediately: 200 Plant Rd. 968-2794. EO/AAE. WANTED: Energetic Vista volunteer to market and promote the County Coordinated agency transportation systems to low income older persons. Federally sponsored, the position pays a monthly living allowance, vacation, & stipend. Apply by March 27. Contact Orange County Dept. on Aging, PO Box 8181, Hillsborough, NC 27278 or call 967-9251. WORD PROCESSORS needed for subcontract work off the premises. Must have letter perfect printer. Variety of assignments: theses, multiple letters, mailing lists. Contact Julie at 933-1111.

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PATIENT WHO REQUIRE the removal of wisdom teeth needed for clinical trial of sedative anesthesia. Significant reduction in cost of extractions provided. Two year study sponsored by NIH and the Dept. of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Call 966-2784 for screening information. PEE WEE BASEBALL/SOFTBALL INSTRUCTOR AND DIRECTOR - Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation. Instruct 6-8 year olds, rules and skills, non-competitive format. Mon. and Weds. 5:30-9:00 pm. April 11-June 5. Prefer prior teaching/coaching and experience with children. Instructors-\$5/hr.; Director-\$6/hr. Apply by March 28, 200 Plant Rd. 968-2784. EO/AAE. PLAZA THEATRE - part-time positions available for doorman/projectionists who can work from 1-6 pm. Apply in person between 1 and 6 pm. POOL CASHIERS NEEDED - Chapel Hill Pkx/Rec. Collect admissions to outdoor pool, answer phone and public inquiries, some pool maintenance. Morning - afternoon with rotating weekend, or afternoon - evening with rotating weekend. Similar experience preferred. Must have a pleasant personality, good communication skills; must be responsible. \$4/hr. Apply by April 7: 200 Plant Rd. 968-2790. EO/AAE. STUDY SUBJECTS NEEDED FOR EPA AIR POLLUTANTS RESEARCH. Healthy, non-smoking males, 18-35, can earn money for research studies and travel. Call 929-9993.

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