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Lucky seven

Malone scores 38 to lead Rockets to victory

United Press International HOUSTON — Moses Malone poured in 38 points and had 32

rebounds - more than the entire Seattle team — in the Hous-ton Rockets 117-100 whipping of the Sonics. The win left Rockets' coach

Del Harris ecstatic. 'This is the first time we've

been able to beat Seattle in four tries," he said. "This is probably the best game we've played all the way through this year."

Thomas Henderson summed up his feelings with an culinary analogy "We were hamburger earlier

this year, but we are steak now,' he said.

Thursday as the Rockets grab-bed a 61-29 edge in rebounding in claiming their seventh straight win. The Rockets led 66-49 at in-

termission behind 22 points from Malone and 16 from Hayes. Malone had 15 rebounds

Malone and Elvin Hayes at the half. dominated the backboards Seattle fought back to pull Thursday as the Rockets grab-within 10 points at 95-85 with six minutes left behind eight fourth-quarter points from re-serve James Donaldson. Houston's Robert Reid, however, scored three straight

field goals and the Rockets re-gained control of the game.

Hayes finished the game with points for Houston and Bill Willoughby blocked seven shots. The win improved Houston to 26-22 while Seattle slipped to

34-14. Seattle coach Lenny Wilkens seemed philosophical about the

"I'm glad this game is over," he said. "Tomorrow night we'll take it out on the next team. Tonight, they were definitely the better team."

The Mayor's Committee for Employment of the Handicap-ped will sponsor a wheelchair basketball game between two teams from Houston Saturday in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

at 5 p.m. The Texas A&M-Rice molition derby," he said basketball game will follow at He also said that a for

Wheelchair basketball game preceeds A&M-Rice contest

7:30. committee, said the game promises to be exciting because the players are great athletes. The game will be played in "The game will be a mixture benefit the Brazos Vale two 20-minute halves beginning of the NBA playoffs and a de-habilitation Center.

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Jim Raatz, chairman of the

Texas A&M student will m surprise introduction of teams. The game is free of char but donations will be accepted

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Softball team to hold spring season auditions

The Texas A&M women's softball team, which begins its season March 2 when the Aggies host Baylor in a doubleheader, will hold open auditions Saturday. Registration will be at 12:30 in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

The Aggies, who finished the fall season with a 36-3 record, will play tournaments in California, Utah and Oklahoma during their spring schedule. Texas A&M won the state tournament in Conroe in October by defeat-



ing Sam Houston State University 4-0, with freshman pitcher Lisa Martinez picking up the vic-Okla.

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