

Rockets

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a timeout.

New York's John Starks, who was nearly the hero in Game 6 when his 3-point attempt could have given the Knicks the title, was 2-for-18 from the field, including 0-for-11 from 3-point range. He finished with eight points, half of what he had in dominating the fourth quarter of Game 6.

Maxwell finished with 21 points.

This was the first finals since the 24-second shot clock was in-

stalled in 1954 that neither team reached 100 points in any game. The largest margin of victory in the series was nine points.

It was the 20th straight home victory in a Game 7 and the 12th title won at home in the 15 finals that lasted seven games. But it was only the second time in six years that a team won the title on its own court.

The Rockets worked long and hard in a season that lasted all four seasons of the year, beginning last fall and ending on the second day of summer. They began it with 15 straight victories and ended with two in a row after the Knicks took a 3-2 lead in the finals.

And they had to toil to the end

as every game of the first seven-game finals in six years was decided in the final three minutes.

It wasn't a series for fans of acrobatic moves, rim-rattling dunks and no-look passes. It was a battle for survival.

For the Rockets, it was their first title after losing their other two finals appearances, both in six games to Boston in 1981 and 1986.

The Knicks were looking for their first NBA title since 1973.

For Knicks coach Pat Riley, trying to become just the second coach to win titles with different teams, it was a less welcome milestone. Although he has four championships, he is the second coach to lose four finals.

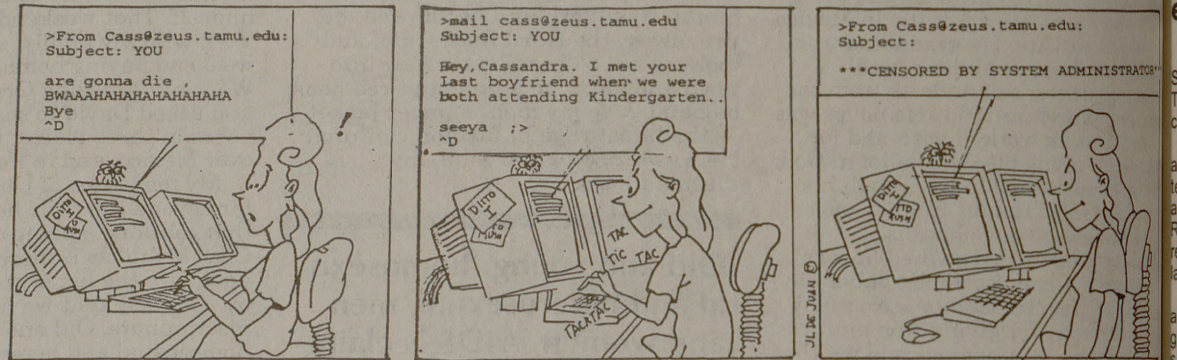
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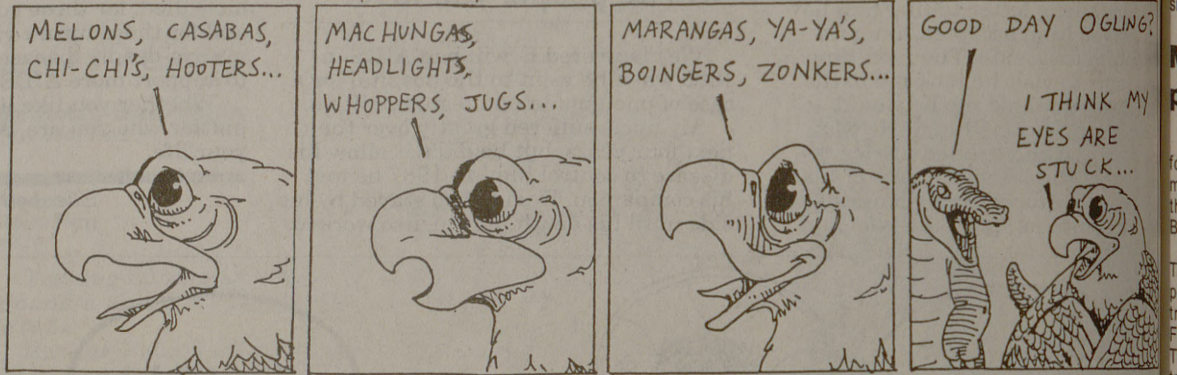
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Victims

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Center, a private Arlington, Va., group that cosponsored a landmark "Rape in America" study in 1992. "And they have the most to lose, in parental care, if they report an incident."

"Some children who try to report a rape are not believed," added Patricia Toth, a former prosecutor who directs the private National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse in Alexandria, Va.

The statistics bureau, using police reports from 11 states and the District of Columbia, said girls under 18 were the victims in 51 percent of rapes in 1992 even though girls of that age made up only 25 percent of the U.S. female population.

The 1992 "Rape in America" study found that 61.6 percent of all rapes victimized girls under age 18. But that study, adopted by the Senate Judiciary Committee in drafting rape prevention programs now in the Senate's version of the crime bill, included rapes acknowledged by victims in interviews but not reported to police.

"Child and adolescent cases are the most likely to go unreported," said Kirkpatrick, coauthor of the "Rape in America" study. Thus, "the government estimate is a severe underestimate because they are only dealing with reported cases." Kirkpatrick found that only 10 percent of rape victims under age 11 reported the crime.

Even the government agency warned that its calculation that girls under 12 accounted for 10 percent of rape victims — or a total of 17,000 — the 109,062 rapes reported to police in 1992 — a conservative estimate because it was derived from statistics on rapes reported to law enforcement officials and did not include unreported rapes.

Also, the bureau said the 11 states and District of Columbia "were probably not nationally representative" but merely the only states that kept rape data by age. The states are Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Idaho, Michigan, Nebraska, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Wisconsin.

The "Rape in America" study also found a higher percentage of rapes victimized girls in childhood: it found girls under age 11 accounted for 29.3 percent of rape victims.

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Balloons

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that first gave man its wings."

Robert Schantz said once someone takes their first flight, balloons get into their system.

"I went for the first time on a balloon ride in Cincinnati, Ohio in 1976," he said. "Usually, if you go once you're hooked on it and off you go."

Boike said the many improvements in the event over the years should help hook followers.

Lighted parking will be available nearby on 38 acres of land. Boike said the distance is easily walkable, but a shuttle bus be available.

Power boat racing will be featured for the first time this year.

While picnic facilities are available, 22 food vendors are listed in the program, selling a variety of food such as German, Mexican, Cajun and Bar-B-Q. Traditional fair snacks — funnel cakes, ice cream, cotton candy and snowcones — will also be available.

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Boike said the City of Bryan upgraded the park facilities this past year, including better power and bathroom facilities.

"The City of Bryan has been a blessing in disguise with all these improvements," he said.

Many different activities are available while the balloons are on the ground during the afternoon hours.

Many, like the live bands and petting zoo are free except for the admission charge.

"The balloons go up in the morning and up in the evening," Boike said. "In between, we had to come up with 12 hours of things to do."

Boike said he hoped to get the Bryan-College Station community, the students, its numerous sponsors and out-of-town residents to come out and experience all that is available.

"Our goal is to have a hometown festival and create a big economic impact for the community," Boike said. "It's cheaper than a movie, and you can see more."

WHAT'S UP

- Thursday**
- Student Counseling Service:** Workshop: Test preparation with test anxiety. Meets at Henderson Hall from 1:00-3:00 P.M. Call 845-4427 for more information.
 - Muslim Student's Association:** Islam 101: An informal discussion group on Islam. Everybody is invited. Meets from 4:00-6:00 P.M. at MSC Flagroom. Call Noaman at 846-5199 for more information.
- Friday**
- G.L.B.A. (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Aggies):** We will be voting in a new treasurer and giving out the schedule of events for the rest of the summer. Any questions—call Gayline at 847-0321.
 - Muslim Student's Association:** Prayer and Islamic lecture at 601 Rudder from 12:50-1:30 P.M. For more information call Nuaman at 846-5199.
 - Off Campus Aggies:** Dinner club at Swensen's 6:30 P.M. For more information call the Off Campus Aggie office at 845-0688.
 - What's Up is a Battalion service** that lists non-profit student and faculty events and activities. Items should be submitted no later than three days in advance of the desired run date. Application deadlines and notices are not events and will not be run in What's Up. If you have any questions please call the newsroom at 845-3313.

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