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**The Battalion's BASKETBALL COACH SEARCH**  
Brown has ability to rebuild a program

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The great ones have the ability to transcend sports. Vince Lombardi, Red Auerbach, Casey Stengel, John Wooden — these men were the masterminds of sport's greatest dynasties. They were leaders ahead of their time who had the ability to get more out of their players than anyone could ever imagine.

The argument could be made that any one of these men could cross the sidelines into any other sport and still get the same results.

However, none of these men ever put together a season quite like Lou Brown, one of coaching's all-time greats. In 1989, the Cleveland Indians were a team in transition. Under the new ownership of a former showgirl, the Indians were built to lose.

If you recall, it was the Tribe rather than the Browns who were supposed to leave Cleveland. A deal to move the franchise to Miami was all but signed. The only thing that needed to happen was for the team's attendance to drop below a pre-set number in the stadium lease. Things were bleak for the city to say the very least.

The team's roster consisted of delinquents, a voodoo priest, players past their prime and players who never had a prime. The Indians had poor facilities and even worse means of transportation (duct tape on the propeller of a less than vintage World War II-era plane was the only thing saving the team from a mid-air disaster). However, there was one thing that could not be accounted for — the sheer determination of Lou Brown.

Brown, a mechanic turned baseball manager, demanded the respect of his players from day one. His no-nonsense attitude and blue-collar work ethic set the tone for the entire team. What he lacked in baseball knowledge, he made up for with pure grit.

In an era when athletes have less respect for authority than ever before, Brown fought back. When prima donna shortstop Roger Dorn argued that he did not

have to do any unnecessary calisthenics, Brown terminated on his contract.

In the end, Brown took the team of misfits to the top of the American League's Eastern Division. Many of the same problems Brown faced in Cleveland can be found at Texas A&M, making him a perfect fit for the program.

•The Aggies finished last in the Big 12 in one season. Brown took a team from

last to first in one season. He took his team on storied runs in sports, charging up through the ranks to the top. This was not a fluke. He is a great motivator.

•A&M experienced a decline in attendance for dance for home basketball games. For opening day, announcer Harry Dodge over the empty bleachers claimed, "they love the Aggies in Cleveland."

By the time the season came to an end, the Aggies were playing in front of sellout crowds.

•Texas A&M is and always has been a school where people think of Cleveland, they think of Dawg Pound. The city's charm is best represented by the form of 350-pound men in dog masks and bones. They were die-hard football fans. In NFL returns in 1999, they will be again.

But for that one shining season, Brown revitalized a city. He made people care about the Aggies. He could do this for Aggies as well.

He is Lou Brown — the man who saved a city. He is the man who could save Texas A&M's basketball program.

— Chris Ferrell, author of "The Aggie" series

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**AGGIE SPORTS BRIEFS**

from staff and wire reports

**Texas A&M loses to South Alabama**

The No. 38 Texas A&M Women's Tennis Team (8-2, 1-1) lost to No. 17 South Alabama 6-3 at the Omar Smith Tennis Center Tuesday. The Aggies entered doubles play down 2-4 and lost the first two matches 8-1 and 8-5. "This was a very winnable match for us," Coach Bobby Kleinecke said, "but I give South Alabama a lot of credit. They make you keep hitting."

**Aggie women in Big 12**

A&M was hurt by the loss of senior Vanessa Rooks, but freshman Monica de la Torre filled in to pick up victories in singles and doubles play. "We are limited when somebody is missing," Kleinecke said. "We competed well even though we were stretched a little thin, but Monica put out great effort for us and got two wins." Next for the Aggies will be Big 12 opponents Oklahoma and Nebraska. They will play the Sooners Friday at 10 a.m. in Norman and then play the Huskers on Sunday at 10 a.m. in Lincoln.

**Heartlight Ministries**

of Longview, Texas, is looking for individual women and men) to fill positions on May 25. Heartlight is a residential counseling center for teenagers from around the country to participate in the program for a year in hopes of resolving crisis and working through struggles that are currently taking them down a detrimental path. Its beautiful facility is located on 80 acres in the piney woods of East Texas. Housing 32 young people, Heartlight's focus centers on the building relationships between staff and residents. The program is Biblically oriented and highly structured and requires parental involvement.

Perhaps you would consider spending a year with us in this mission. All positions are full-time, salaried, and the average age of the residential staff is 24.

If you would like more information about Heartlight and the positions available, please contact Melinda Hundley at Heartlight Ministries (903) 668-2173. A packet of material and a full job description will be sent.