

Sports in Brief
Male claims
2 honors

M sophomore Heather
as named the Big 12
s Offensive Player of
or soccer Monday after
y role in all five of the
s last weekend against
rd and No. 17 Harvard.
red three goals and
the other two as the
ed for offensive fire-
e absence of forward
her.

really played well this
said A&M coach G.
With all the injuries we
ed, we needed some-
up the team's intensity,
r did just that."

r moves into
D after upset

as A&M soccer team
ed schedule. Five of its
games come against
ponents.

is A&M's first four
e Aggies faced No. 1
olina, No. 7 Hartford
7 Harvard. After it was
e Aggies were 3-1 with
loss to the defending
ampion Tar Heels.

ake of their success,
jumped into the No. 7
nation on Monday.
l only be the start, as
1 will now become the
ong the Top 10 when it
Florida to play No. 19
No. 18 Florida State.

son doubtful
yoming game

safety Michael Jameson
as doubtful Saturday
Texas A&M football
ed Notre Dame.

ned ankle was the
son played anyway.
eek Jameson is con-
ed as doubtful after
ankle once again late
s to the Irish.

on is currently the on-
the Aggie roster who
ay, with the exception
players who have suf-
or injuries during the
n.

el Jameson is doubt-
locum said. "He won't
uesday). Hopefully he
to go on Saturday, but
we're planning to be
m. I expect Chris Taylor
- I think he'll be fine.
Michael is the only on-
sure about."

cross country
d in first poll

even of its top 10 re-
for another season, the
M women's cross coun-
s ranked No. 23 in the
he preseason poll.

s a great reward for
said coach Dan
"It shows that oth-
ave noticed the step-
am has taken toward
a Top 25 team."

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ense for Notre Dame ob-
is not presented with
blems, but Slocum said
y that the Aggies will
with their current glut of
ormations.

inking behind this is to
stage of the talents of the
players and in certain sit-
try to get mismatches."
id. "When you're moving
und all the time, it gets
harder for them to call
efense."

ou have the kind of of-
ent the Aggies have this
atches should be coming
frequency than ever.
college transfer Robert
is a prime example of the
ayer A&M has never had
o should afford the Aggie
f flexibility that will step
n 2000.

ot-2, 210 pounds, Ferg-
ichael Irvin-type receiv-
n overpower most defen-
s with his sheer size and
he catches the ball, can
n eating dust with his

with other key skill play-
hitaker and quarterback
is, this season should
the most exciting footbal
l has seen in years.

District braces for teacher walk-out

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The nation's sixth-largest school district braced for a strike as early as Friday after Philadelphia teachers authorized what would be their first walkout in 19 years.

Union president Ted Kirsch did not immediately call a strike and classes were still scheduled to begin Thursday for the district's 205,000 students and 256 schools.

However, the unanimous vote Tuesday by the Philadelphia Federation of Teachers means its 21,000 members could walk off the job once the union gives 48 hours' notice as required under state law.

"No one wants this strike," said teacher Cynthia Acquarole. "It breaks my heart that education will not continue in this city as it has in the past."

Contact talks broke down over the weekend but were scheduled to resume Tuesday afternoon.

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The union has rejected district proposals to extend the school day and school year, increase co-payments for health insurance, base pay on performance rather than experience and level of education, and give principals more say in teacher job assignments.

The union, which says its teachers earned between \$28,600 and \$57,200 in 1997-98, wants smaller classes, stronger early childhood education, a new reading program and tighter school security.

School system officials have said they will face an \$80 million shortfall in their \$1.6 billion budget even without granting pay raises the union says are needed to keep talented educators in the city.

E. Michigan professors on strike

YPSILANTI, Mich. (AP) — More than 650 full-time faculty at Eastern Michigan University went on strike Tuesday after contract talks broke off.

It was the first faculty strike at Eastern Michigan since 1978.

Lecturers not covered by the contract, who make up about 40 percent of the faculty, were expected to conduct classes as scheduled. The fall semester began last week for the university's 23,000 students.

The contract, covering tenured and tenure-track professors, expired Friday but was extended until midnight Monday, said American Association of University Professors spokesman Phil Arrington.

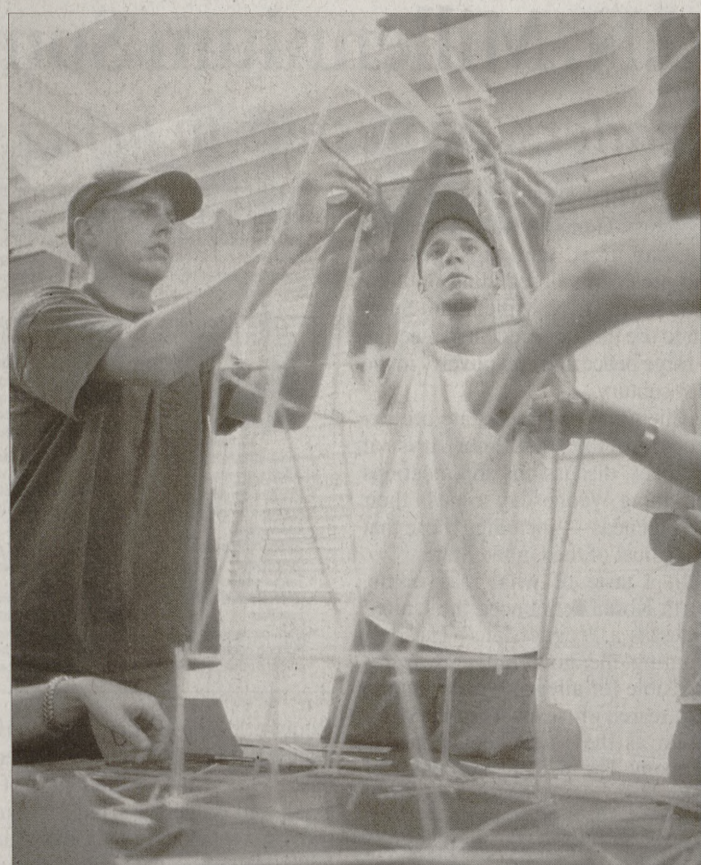
Key issues included replacement of full-time faculty members with part-time faculty, control over Internet courses, and salary and benefit increases, Arrington said.

The university is offering a 5 percent salary increase for each year of the three-year contract, he said.

Salaries for full professors averaged \$63,000 in 1998-99, according to the latest figures available from the Mid-American Conference. The average in the conference, which represents 12 comparable public universities in five states, was \$68,000 for a full professor.

Lecturers also are negotiating with the university for better pay and benefits.

Leaning Tower



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Cory LeBouf, a senior agriculture business major, and Darrin Wiens, a senior wildlife ecology major, help members of "Team NASA" build a straw tower for their AGED 340 lab.

News in Brief

Scooter-related injuries increase

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of people hurt while riding foot-propelled scooters surged this summer with more than 4,000 injuries in August alone.

Since May, when about 500 injuries were reported, there has been a 700-percent increase in the number of people being treated in emergency rooms for scooter-related injuries, the Consumer Product Safety Commission said Tuesday. There have been no deaths related to the new scooters.

Baseball player sued by FTC over drug ad

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Trade Commission is suing former baseball player Steve Garvey for acting as host of a diet

drug advertisement that federal regulators contend was deceptive.

The company claimed in television and Internet ads that users could lose weight without dieting or exercise, regardless of how much they ate.

Garvey, who spent most of his career with the Los Angeles Dodgers, was the host on an Enforma infomercial and appeared on the company's Website. In a statement listed in the complaint, Garvey said, "Look at all these delicious supposedly forbidden foods: barbecued chicken and ribs, buttered biscuits. Foods you can eat when you crave them without guilt, without worry, and it's all because of a few little capsules."

A first baseman, Garvey played in nine All Star Games and was the National League's Most Valuable Player in 1974.

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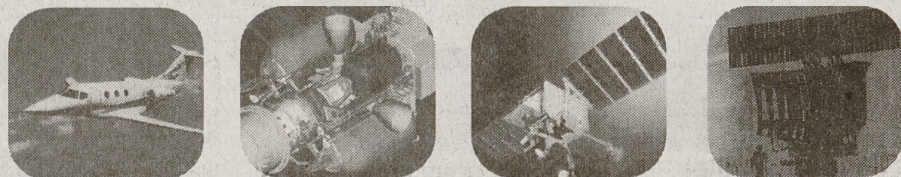
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