

# GAME PLAN



## OVERHEARD

"I never thrived on attention. I never was in it for attention."

Anna Kournikova, on her former careers as a world-ranked tennis player and model. These days she visits troops on USO tours and has become a children's advocate through her work with the Boys and Girls Clubs of America and other organizations.



## DON'T MISS THIS

### REDS AT PHILLIES

Homer Bailey managed not to throw batting practice in his past two outings, which is a nice change for the Reds right-hander. The competition gets tougher with the National League East-leading Phillies (7 p.m., Fox Sports Net).

## OHIO STATE FOOTBALL

# Rush for ticket info brings down Web site

By Tim May  
THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

Ohio state football fever reached a midsummer boiling point yesterday.

Alumni wanted to know which game they had been awarded tickets to in the annual lottery. Because of a new procedure — the winners were sent an e-mail telling them to check the alumni association's Web site — thousands tried to log on at once, and the site's server crashed for a couple of hours.

"We did have an overwhelming response early (yesterday) morning," said Steve Proctor, vice president of communications for the association. "So we did have some server issues, but they were corrected shortly thereafter."

Some who e-mailed *The Dispatch* took the association to task for the problem, but alumnus Matt Sensibaugh put it in perspective

"Inconvenient? Yes. Tragedy? No," wrote Sensibaugh, who finally found out he'd gained two tickets to the homecoming game with Minnesota. "I suspect more bandwidth would help much and probably wouldn't cost them all that much."

Proctor reported that 35,700 members were successful in gaining two tickets apiece to a home game, roughly 90 percent of those who participated. There were 11,050 big winners — each won two tickets to the season's premier home game, Sept. 12 against Southern California.

Because the USC game and the season opener with Navy (11,749 pairs) occur before fall quarter, more tickets were available to alumni. Otherwise, the breakdown went as follows: Minnesota (3,038), Iowa (2,942), Illinois (2,621), New Mexico State (2,193 pairs) and Wisconsin (2,121).  
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## SPORTS WIRE

### LEGAL FILE Investigators still looking for motive in McNair case

Tennessee's state medical examiner said yesterday that investigators have been hesitant to conclude that Steve McNair's girlfriend killed the NFL star and herself because she didn't appear to have a motive, but that murder-suicide is the most likely scenario.

After the couple was discovered shot to death Saturday, police were quick to label McNair's death a homicide. He had been shot twice in the head and twice in the chest, but 20-year-old Sahel Kazemi was dead from a single gunshot to the head. Under her body was a gun she had purchased less than two days before the killings.

Investigators were waiting on ballistics tests on the weapon before issuing a ruling on Kazemi's death, which medical examiner Bruce Levy said could come in the next few days. Kazemi's gun purchase is a strong indication that she was responsible, he said.

"If we had known on Sunday about the gun I think we would have been very comfortable in ruling murder-suicide," he said. "I'll be very surprised now if they rule it isn't."

Yahoo Inc. and the NFL Players Association have reached a settlement over the use of players' statistics, photos and other data in Yahoo's popular online fantasy football game, but details were not released.

Santa Clara, Calif.-based Yahoo sued the NFLPA last month in U.S. District Court in Minnesota, claiming Yahoo shouldn't have to pay royalties to use the data because the information is already publicly available.

### BASKETBALL U.S. women's team advances at World University Games

The United States women's basketball team advanced to a medal semifinal of the World University Games with a 115-78 victory over Czech Republic in Belgrade, Serbia. Ohio State's Jantel Lavender had 10 points, eight rebounds and four assists.

Connecticut's Tina Charles led all scorers with 20 points for the U.S. (5-0).

The Americans will play Australia (4-1) on Thursday. Russia (5-0) meets Czech Republic (4-1) in the other semifinal.

• **Talor Battle** of Penn State scored 17 points and made a three-point goal to give the United States the lead for good, and the Americans edged Serbia 68-66 in men's basketball at the World University Games.

Da'Sean Butler of West Virginia had 12 points for Team USA, which held on despite making 1 of 6 free throws in the final 15 seconds.

• **Evan Turner** of Ohio State had two points and one rebound in 14 minutes. The Americans meet Bulgaria in a medal-round quarterfinal Thursday.

• **Ohio State point guard Samantha Prahali** will play for Team USA in the Under-19 World Championships July 23-Aug. 2 in Bangkok, Thailand.

### ELSEWHERE Utah lawmaker wants federal investigation of BCS system

Utah Sen. Orrin Hatch urged the Justice Department to investigate college football's Bowl Championship Series for what he views as violations of antitrust laws.

Hatch made the comment after conducting a standing-room-only hearing in the Senate subcommittee with antitrust oversight, where he serves as the top Republican.

"Frankly, there's an arrogance about the BCS that just drives me nuts," he told reporters. He said that the BCS violates antitrust laws.

Justice Department spokeswoman Gina Talamona said: "We're aware of his request and will respond as appropriate."

• **Kentucky Derby-** and Preakness-winning trainer **Rick Dutrow** was suspended for 30 days for violating doping rules.

The Kentucky Horse Racing Commission issued the suspension more than a year after tests revealed that Salute the Count had an excessive amount of Clenbuterol in his blood after finishing second in a race at Churchill Downs the day before he won the Derby with Big Brown.

• **Cameron Wilson** of Rowayton, Conn., shot an opening-round 4-under-par 67 to lead the boys division at the Nationwide Insurance Junior tournament at Ohio State's Scarlet Course. **Lindsey Weaver** of Scottsdale, Ariz., has the girls division lead after a 2-over 73.

— From staff and wire reports

## NFL

# Stallworth drank shots before fatal accident

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Cleveland Browns receiver Donte' Stallworth told police he drank up to four shots of premium tequila while partying with friends at a Miami Beach club but did not feel drunk in the hours before he struck and killed a pedestrian with his car.

In a recorded interview with police, Stallworth said he met fellow Browns receiver Braylon Edwards and others at a hotel sometime after 2 a.m. March 14. Stallworth said he drank tequila from Edwards' table and later bought some shots himself.

"Three, four at the most," Stallworth said. "I wasn't really counting."

When asked if he was intoxicated, Stallworth said:

"No, sir."

Lab tests later showed Stallworth had a blood-alcohol level of 0.126, above Florida's 0.08 limit.

Stallworth, 28, is serving a 30-day jail sentence after pleading guilty to DUI manslaughter in the death of Mario Reyes, 59.

The Stallworth interview with Miami Beach police and other evidence was released yesterday by prosecutors under a public records request by The Associated Press.

Stallworth's credit card receipts shows he bought a \$375 bottle of Patron Silver that he sent to Edwards' table, five shots of the tequila for \$90, a water and a Red Bull energy drink. Stallworth said some of the shots were for female friends.

## CAMPING

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"Hopefully any of these kids even know who I am," Quinn said.

He's not alone. Former Walnut Ridge football star Ernie Wheelwright, now a special-teams player with the Baltimore Ravens, and Antoine Harris, an Atlanta Falcons defensive back who played at Ready, are having camps for the first time this summer.

Wheelwright's event will take place Saturday at Capital University; Harris brings his to Ready on July 18.

Although all three have made it to the professional level, none is a star. But that might not be a bad thing.

"We're NFL guys, and they look up to us," Harris said. "I think they'll be able to relate a little more, just because I am a hometown guy and I want to come back."

"I'm not a guy that's really out in the limelight, so I'll be a little more down to earth."

All were successful athletes in high school.

Quinn left Coffman with 14 school records and was a starting guard for Notre Dame. Wheelwright was all-state at Walnut Ridge before ending his college career No. 2 on Minnesota's career touchdown receptions list. Harris, despite a late start to football, was all-state his senior season and went on to a successful career at Louisville.

But none of that gave them enough sway to start a camp. Making it to their respective big leagues was the final step.

## HUNTER

FROM PAGE C1

called Granger "a professional blood donor" and said he is "so thin the only place where he could win a college letter was Indiana."

I flipped a few pages deeper and found a 1976 drawing of reliever Pedro Borbon, who had just shaved his head. Rose is in the background with that hideous pageboy haircut saying, "That looks like a baseball; I think I'll hit it." The accompanying copy explains that "Pete would have knocked it into the right-center gap. But Borbon, a tough guy with a rock for a head who once shredded a New York Mets cap with his teeth, wouldn't have felt it." Dirty Rat, the grungy little creature that sat yapping at the bottom of many of Dowling's cartoons, offers, "Rubber arm, matching head."

Get the, uh, picture? In large part, the book explains the relationship many reporters have had with Rose. He is a likable character and a great source of copy, one whose 4,256 hits merit his election to the Baseball Hall of Fame. But if there were a Human Being Hall of Fame, he wouldn't be allowed in the parking lot.

Dowling lampooned those flaws in his drawings and they're all here. A

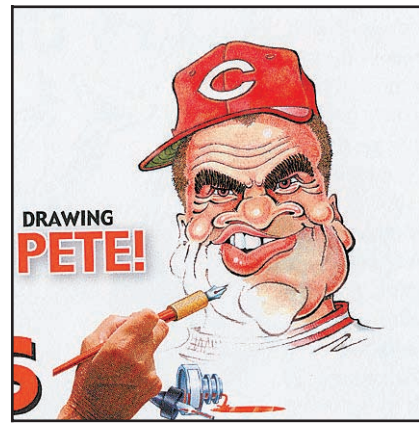


PHOTO COURTESY OF JERRY DOWLING

### The early portions of Jerry Dowling's book are complimentary to Pete Rose.

1982 drawing of Rose when he took a job doing a sports show at WKRC-TV in Cincinnati has him behind a group of microphones announcing "for my first interview, the most talented, dynamic and knowledgeable player ever ... ME!"

Flip to another page and there is Rose in a Little Boy Blue outfit, a sack of money in one hand and the other hand outstretched to a nice lady answering the door, whose arm says "Owners." The 1982 cartoon is titled "Trick or Pete" and the lady says, "er, aren't you getting a little old for this?" The caption explains that Rose was "still trying to pass himself off as a

youngster, kept pulling this trick of asking any owner who'd like to donate another contract so he could add a few more hits."

The early part of the book is flattering to Rose and the later parts not so much so, which isn't surprising considering the direction his life took after his gambling habits were revealed during his term as Reds manager.

It also explains why Rose willingly had his photo taken with Dowling — "cartoon man," he called him — when Rose was in Cincinnati for the Big Red Machine Reunion in November 2008. Dowling showed him the book and said he "only looked at the early part, when the drawings were more flattering."

Rose hasn't had a chance to see the one-page addition Dowling has planned for the next printing, which closes with a story by former Cincinnati wire service reporter Norm Clarke, now a gossip columnist in Las Vegas.

Clarke says Rose slapped him in a restaurant for writing in his book *1,000 Naked Truths* that the hit king was a terrible tipper.

The Cartoon Man had better have an iron jaw.

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## ON THE AIR

SPORT	TIME	EVENT	TV	RADIO
Baseball	7 p.m.	Cincinnati-Philadelphia	FSN	WYTS 1230
		L.A. Dodgers-N.Y. Mets	ESPN	
	8 p.m.	Indianapolis-Columbus		WMNI 920
Cycling	8:30 a.m.	Cleveland-Chicago	STO	WBNS 97.1
		Tour de France		WBNS 1460
				Versus

## FIVE GAMES OUT

	<b>Cincinnati Reds</b> Tickets: 877-647-REDS cincinnati.reds.mlb.com		<b>Columbus Clippers</b> Tickets: 614-462-5250 clippersbaseball.com
Today .....at Philadelphia.... 7:05 p.m.	Today.....Indianapolis.....7:05 p.m.	Thursday.....Indianapolis.....12:05 p.m.	Friday.....Toronto.....7:30 p.m.
Thursday.....at Philadelphia.... 7:05 p.m.	Thursday.....Indianapolis.....12:05 p.m.	Friday.....at Detroit.....7:05 p.m.	Friday.....at Louisville.....7:05 p.m.
Friday.....at N.Y. Mets ..... 7:10 p.m.	Friday.....at Louisville.....7:05 p.m.	Saturday.....at N.Y. Mets ..... 7:10 p.m.	Saturday.....at Louisville.....6:15 p.m.
Saturday.....at N.Y. Mets ..... 1:10 p.m.	Saturday.....at Louisville.....1:15 p.m.	Sunday.....at N.Y. Mets ..... 1:10 p.m.	Sunday.....at Louisville.....1:15 p.m.
	<b>Cleveland Indians</b> Tickets: 866-48-TRIBE cleveland.indians.mlb.com		<b>Columbus Crew</b> Tickets: 614-447-2739 thecrew.com
Today.....at Chi. White Sox... 8:11 pm.	Saturday.....at Chicago.....8 p.m.	Thursday.....at Chi. White Sox... 2:05 pm.	July 18.....Real Salt Lake.....8 p.m.
Thursday.....at Philadelphia.... 7:05 p.m.	July 18.....Real Salt Lake.....8 p.m.	Friday.....at Detroit.....7:05 p.m.	July 25.....Toronto.....7:30 p.m.
Friday.....at N.Y. Mets ..... 7:10 p.m.	July 25.....Toronto.....7:30 p.m.	Saturday.....at N.Y. Mets ..... 7:10 p.m.	July 29.....All-Star game.....8:30 p.m.
Saturday.....at Detroit.....7:05 p.m.	July 29.....All-Star game.....8:30 p.m.	Sunday.....at N.Y. Mets ..... 1:10 p.m.	Aug. 1.....at Colorado ..... 9:30 p.m.
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