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Preseason baseball

Table with columns for Spring Training American League, National League, and teams like Cleveland, Los Angeles, Detroit, etc.

MAIN EVENTS

TV TODAY

Men's college basketball
NCAA Tournament: Oklahoma vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee, noon, WISH-Channel 8
NCAA Tournament: Alabama vs. Marquette, 2:30 p.m., WISH-Channel 8

NBA
Boston Celtics at Miami Heat, 8 p.m., TNT
Minnesota Timberwolves at Golden State Warriors, 10:30 p.m., TNT

Baseball
World Classic: Mexico vs. United States, 7:30 p.m., ESPN

Golf
Bay Hill Invitational, first round, 3 p.m., USA

Tennis
Pacific Life Open, round of 16, 2 and 10 p.m., ESPN2

Figure skating
State Farm U.S. Championships, 6 p.m., ESPN2

SPECTATOR SPORTS

TODAY
No events scheduled.

Call us with results
Results can be called in to the Daily Journal sports department from 6 to 10 weeknights and Sunday evenings at 736-2715.

NHL

Table for Eastern Conference Atlantic Division with columns for W, L, OT, Pts, GF, GA and teams like N.Y. Rangers, Philadelphia, etc.

Table for Eastern Conference Northeast Division with columns for W, L, OT, Pts, GF, GA and teams like Ottawa, Buffalo, Montreal, etc.

Table for Eastern Conference Southeast Division with columns for W, L, OT, Pts, GF, GA and teams like Carolina, Tampa Bay, Atlanta, etc.

Table for Western Conference Central Division with columns for W, L, OT, Pts, GF, GA and teams like Detroit, Nashville, Columbus, etc.

Table for Western Conference Northwest Division with columns for W, L, OT, Pts, GF, GA and teams like Calgary, Colorado, Vancouver, etc.

Table for Western Conference Pacific Division with columns for W, L, OT, Pts, GF, GA and teams like Dallas, Los Angeles, Anaheim, etc.

Transactions
BASEBALL
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Optioned RHP Jake Cevallos...



HELPING HANDS
Franklin College freshman basketball players Jace Redman, left, and Jared Catron load bags of used shoes into a truck...

Irish top Vanderbilt to advance in NIT

The Associated Press
Vince Grier scored 18 points to lead Minnesota to a victory against Wake Forest in the first round of the National Invitation Tournament.

SOUTH BEND
Torin Francis had 23 points and 11 rebounds, and Chris Quinn and Colin Falls added 15 points each, leading Notre Dame to a 79-69 victory against Vanderbilt on Wednesday night in the National Invitation Tournament.

Notre Dame opened the second half with an 11-4 spurt, with Francis giving the Irish a 49-39 lead on a three-point play with 17:34 left. The Commodores cut the lead to five points three times but could get no closer as the Irish repeatedly ran down the shot clock.

In Wednesday's other games
MINNESOTA 73
WAKE FOREST 58
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NBA

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Men's college basketball

NCAA Tournament
Opening round
At UD Arena
Dayton, Ohio
Tuesday's score
Monmouth, N.J., Hampton 49

WASHINGTON REGIONAL
First round
Today's games
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.
Wichita State (24-8) vs. Seton Hall (18-11), 12:20 p.m.

ATLANTA REGIONAL
First round
Today's games
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.
George Washington (26-2) vs. North Carolina-Wilmington (25-7), 7:10 p.m.

JACKSONVILLE REGIONAL
First round
Today's games
At Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Arena
Jacksonville, Fla.
LSU (23-8) vs. Iowa (23-7), 7:10 p.m.

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Franklin College selects alumnus as leader of men's soccer program

Franklin College has hired alumnus Shaun Mahoney as its new men's soccer coach. Athletics Director Kerry Prather said, "We are very excited to welcome Shaun to our athletic staff. He brings successful coaching experience to this position as well as the perspective of having been a student-athlete here."



MAHONEY

"I have every confidence that he will energize the men's soccer program and direct it to the next level of competitiveness." Mahoney, 32, has been the varsity soccer coach at Seymour High School since 1999 and, since 2003, club coach for the Seymour Soccer Association and coaching coordinator for Southern United Soccer Development. He was the varsity coach at Franklin Community High School from 1994-98.

"I'm very excited, and my family is very excited," Mahoney said. "We love Franklin College, and we're glad to be involved in the program. I believe this can be a successful program, one that can reach the level of the school."

A 1997 graduate of Franklin College, Mahoney has earned several coaching honors at the high school level. At Seymour, he amassed a record of 69-51-13 and guided the Owls to sectional championships in 1999 and 2003 and a regional title in 1999. He played for the Franklin College men's soccer team for three years (1992-94) and became a kicker for the Grizzlies' football team in 1995.

Mahoney graduated from Franklin College in 1997 with a degree in history with a secondary education teaching endorsement. He is working on a master's degree from Indiana Wesleyan University. Mahoney and his wife, Jessica (Lillipp) Mahoney, a 1996 Franklin College graduate, have two children.

Heminger said he's fortunate to have Davis and that he doesn't know what he'd do without him. "I support (Davis) like any head coach," Heminger said. "I treat him as a head coach with his department. The key is getting him things to help kids to get them back and ready to compete."

Remsburg has worked at Franklin College since 1990. She said Heminger has bent over backward to accommodate Franklin College students involved with the certified athletic training program. College students rotate through the high school every two weeks as part of their course work. They shadow Davis and help him when it's needed.

Even more importantly, she said, Heminger is an advocate for certified athletic trainers. "The athletic director is one of our greatest allies as far as our profession," Remsburg said. "Noel is dedicated and makes sure the athletic trainer is well taken care of and employed at the high school."

Pacers

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They are fifth in the Eastern Conference playoff standings and are bidding for the No. 4 seed. But Wednesday's first-half struggle was not only a hindrance, it typified a problem they often have home.

"I like the way we played in the second half, but the first half was disappointing again," Pacers coach Rick Carlisle said. "We've dug ourselves holes in the first half at home and have not been able to get out of them."

"(The Nuggets) were playing their game better than we were playing ours. That's what it came down to."

Anthony led four players in double figures for the Northwest Division-leading Nuggets. Miller had 21, Ruben Patterson had 14, and Camby had 10.

Camby also had a game-high 13 rebounds and seven blocked shots.

For the Pacers, Jackson had 21 points,

while Jeff Foster and Danny Granger had 13 apiece. Johnson added 12.

Austin Croshere made his first appearance for the Pacers after missing 18 games with a concussion. He started but wasn't a factor. He played just less than five minutes and missed his only field-goal attempt.

But his effort had little to do with the outcome.

"We've got to be more consistent during games," Stojakovic said. "We game them the opportunity to score in the first half, and they did."

"We played much smarter in the second half and fought ourselves back into the game."

Indiana's next game is Friday night against the visiting Sacramento Kings. The meeting marks Ron Artest's first visit to Consecro Fieldhouse since the Jan. 25 trade for Stojakovic.

Franklin

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athletic trainer Marcus Davis and Franklin College athletic training program director Kathy Taylor Remsburg nominated him.

Heminger hired Davis four years ago to become the high school's full-time certified athletic trainer. And the 25-year-old is grateful to Heminger for giving him his first job.

Davis also appreciates Heminger because he's willing to help Grizzly Cub athletes.

"I think ... his first thought is, 'How can I help the athletes?'" Davis said. "He wants to make sure athletes and the athletic programs are rolling in the right direction."

Davis also likes how Heminger has helped him gain experience, like being allowed to work at an NFL scouting combine.

"As a young athletic trainer, I want to learn more and do more," Davis said. "He encourages me to do that. He respects what we do."