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Transactions

BASEBALL
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL LEAGUES—Named
Steve Densa associate director of media

American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—RHP Brooks

Kieschnick announced his retirement. Agreed to terms with RHP Chris Ray and OF Nick

Markakis on one-year contracts.

LOS ANGELES ANGELS—Agreed to terms with RHP Jeff Weaver on a one-year

National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Sent LHP Jung
Keun Bong outright to Louisville of the IL.
MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Agreed to
terms with RHP Tomo Ohka on a one-year

contact.

SAN DIEGO PADRES—Claimed RHP
Jason Anderson off waivers from the New
York Yankees. Designated RHP Kenny

Baugh for assignment.
WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Agreed to

terms with LHP Joe Horgan, OF Ruben Mateo, RHP Saul Rivera, INF Henry Mateo, INF Alex Nunez, OF Jesus Feliciano, C Miguel Bemard, RHP Juan Ovalles and LHP

Jacobo Meque on minor league contracts.

American Association

COASTAL BEND AVIATORS—Agreed to

FORT WORTH CATS—Agreed to terms

LINCOLN SALTDOGS—Agreed to terms

with RHP Scott Vandermeer.
ST. JOE BLACKSNAKES—Agreed to

Can-Am League
NORTH SHORE SPIRIT—Acquired RHP

NORTH SHORE SPIRIT—Acquired RHP
Julio Medina from Washington of the Frontier
League for a player to be named.
QUEBEC LES CAPITALES—Released C
Maxime Lamarche.
Frontier League
WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS—Sold the
contract of 18-OF Justin Schuda to the
Kansas City Royals.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
DETROIT PISTONS—Traded F Darko
Milicic and G Carlos Arroyo to Orlando for C
Kelvin Cato and a 2006 first-round draft pick.
Continental Basketball Association
DAKOTA WIZARDS—Signed F Rocky
Walls and placed C Jeremee McGuire on

Walls and placed C Jeremee McGuire or

Inactive reserve.

NBA Development League

NBADL—Suspended Arkansas G Matt
Walsh indefinitely.

FOOTBALL

NFL REFEREES ASSOCIATION—Named

NFL REFEREES ASSUCIALION—Named Tim Millis executive director.

National Football League
DALLAS COWBOYS—Named Vincent Brown middle linebackers coach.

HOUSTON TEXANS—Named Mike

Sherman assistant head coach/offense.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Named Ted

Monachino assistant defensive line coach.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Signed FB Joey

Goodspeed.

HOCKEY
NHL PLAYERS' ASSOCIATION—
Announced the resignation of lan Pulver,
associate counsel.

National Hockey League
DALLAS STARS—Claimed LW Jeremy
Stevenson off waivers from Nashville.

American Hockey League

American Hockey League
AHL—Suspended Rochester F Stefan
Meyer two games for his actions in a Feb. 11

HAMILTON BULLDOGS—Assigned F
Michael Lambert to Long Beach of the ECHL.
NORFOLK ADMIRALS—Acquired D

Brandon Rogers on loan from Omaha of the

Central Hockey League FORT WORTH BRAHMAS—Waived F

Mike O'Sullivan. LUBBOCK COTTON KINGS—Signed G

MEMPHIS RIVERKINGS-Waived D Dan

USA BASKETBALL—Named Rudy
Tomjanovich director of scouting for the
2006-08 men's senior national team program.
COLLEGE
COLGATE—Named Vicky Chun assistant

athletics director.

HOLY CROSS—Named Scott Graham

athletic fund-raising coordinator.
ILLINOIS STATE—Named Galen Scott

defensive coordinator.

LONG BEACH STATE—Named Gavin

Arroy men's water polo coach.

NORTH ALABAMA—Named Steadman

Campbell defensive backs coach.

PURDUE—Named Bill Legg offensive

coordinator.
ST. ROSE—Named Meaghan Gregory

assistant track & field coach and athletic

administrator for compliance. SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI—Named Bill Wilt defensive line coach.

Signed D Mat Ponto.

AHL. Assigned C Ajay Baines to Omaha.

ECHL

TOLEDO STORM—Signed D Mat Pon

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L.A. Clippers at Golden State, (n)
Today's games
Philadelphia at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Friday's games
No games scheduled
Saturday's games

Saturday's games
No games scheduled

Sunday's games
All-Star Game at Houston, 8 p.m.

Wednesday's summary MILWAUKEE (77)

MILWAUKEL (7/)
Simmons 8-13 2-2 19, Bogut 0-3 4-4 4,
Magloire 4-13 3-5 11, Redd 10-26 4-4 24,
Ford 1-7 3-4 6, J.Smith 2-3 0-0 4, Bell 3-8 0-

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Milwaukee

Franklin College

Wednesday's results
Men's basketball
At Transylvania
Transylvania 74, Franklin 70
FRANKLIN — Jon Neill 48-45 13, Josh
Finke 4-7 2-3 10, Nick Kane 2-6 2-2 6, Dustin
Marshall 2-8 4-5 9, Jace Redman 2-8 0-0 5,
Matt Gleuce 0.0.0.0 Matt Glover 0-0 0-0 0, Luke Tudor 1-3 0-0 2, Brandon Ray 10-14 4-5 25. **Totals:** 25-54 16-

Brandon Ray 10-14 4-5 25. Totals: 25-54 16-20 70.

TRANSYLVANIA — Bryan Howard 6-10 4-7 16, Joey Searle 2-7 2-2 7, Matt Finke 5-10 6-7 17, Marc Bain 3-10 0-0 7, Robert Pendleton 3-8 5-5 12, Tyler Smithhart 1-3 2-2 4, Adam Cole 0-0 0-0, Ryan Atwell 0-0 0-0, Stephen Gabbard 0-1 0-0 0, Joey Verax 5-9 1-3 11. Totals: 25-58 20-26 74.

Three-point shooting: Franklin 4-9 (Neill 1-2, Marshall 1-4, Redman 1-2, Ray 1-1), Transylvania 4-16 (Howard 0-1, Searle 1-3, Finke 1-2, Bain 1-4, Pendleton 1-4, Smithhart 0-1, Gabbard 0-1). Rebounds: Franklin 36 (Ray 12, Finke 7, Kane 6), Transylvania 32 (Searle 6, Finke 6, Verax 5). Fouls: Franklin 22, Transylvania 20.

Halftime score: Franklin 30, Transylvania 29.

Records: Franklin 17-7, 9-4 HCAC; Transylvania 20-4, 11-2 HCAC.

Womens basketball
At Franklin
Franklin T7, Transylvania 63
TRANSYLVANIA — Jessica Hanson 6-8
1-2 15, Jessica Gilbert 1-15 0-0 2, Jackie
Distler 6-11 1-2 15, Cindy Beavin 4-10 3-4
12, Rachel Wilson 1-5 1-1 3, Haley Riney 1-3
0-0 2, Kelsey McCarty 1-3 0-0 2, Sarah
Mather 0-0 1-2 1, Katie Shuffett 1-2 0-0 2,
Natalie Tubbs 3-7 0-0 9. Totals: 24-64 7-11
63.

FRANKLIN — Jennifer Redicker 2-7 0-0 HANKLIN — Jenniter Hedicker 2-7 0-0 4, Kelly Snider 1-4 0-0 2, Becky Ballard 11-19 3-3 25, Lindsey Roberson 8-16 3-3 22, Brittany Beehler 0-2 0-0 0, Courtney Swain 3-9 3-5 12, Allison Lewis 3-5 0-0 8, Jennifer Walters 0-2 0-0 0, Leslie Mehrlich 1-2 2-4 4. Totals: 29-66 11-14 77. Halftime score: Transylvania 39, Franklin 38. Three-point shooting: Transylvania 8-21

Three-point shooting: Transylvania 8-21 (Hanson 2-3, Gilbert 0-5, Distler 2-4, Beavin 1-2, Wilson 0-1, Tubbs 3-6) Franklin 8-21 (Snider 0-2, Roberrson 3-9, Swain 3-5, Lewis (Shider 0-2, Robertson 3-9, Swain 3-9, Lewis 2-4, Walters 0-1). Rebounds: Transylvania 40 (Hanson 8), Franklin 40 (Ballard 10). Assists: Transylvania

14 (Beavin 6), Franklin 23 (Beehler 8). Fouls: nsvlvania 15. Franklin 16. Records: Franklin 21-3, 12-1 HCAC Transylvania 8-15, 6-7 HCAC.

> Women's college basketball

Wednesday's scores EAST

Allegheny 80, Hiram 61 American International 73, LeMovne 69 American International 73, Lewoy Assumption 65, St. Anselm 59 Bentley 77, Mass.-Lowell 60 Bethany, W.Va. 60, Grove City 48 Boston U. 77, Binghamton 65 Connecticut 84, Providence 58 DePaul 64, Georgetown 58 Franklin Pierce 55, Merrimack 36 Frankin Pierce 53, Merrimack 36 Hartford 56, UMBC 49, OT Indiana, Pa. 68, Edinboro 55 Lock Haven 83, Shippensburg 73, OT Misericordia 48, Rosemont 43 Richard Stockton 70, Rowan 47 Robert Morris 71, St. Francis, Pa. 54 Connecticut 59, St. Rose 47 S. Connecticut 59, St. Hose 47 SUNY-Farmingdale 78, NYCCT 57 Slippery Rock 74, Clarion 41 St. John's 79, Louisville 63 Stony Brook 62, New Hampshire 56 Vermont 68, Maine 65 Wagner 68, Cent. Connecticut St. 53 Word Check 65, Kutzburg 52 West Chester 65, Kutztown 52 Westminster, Pa. 76, Thiel 73

SOUTH Bridgewater, Va. 63, Hollins 37 Bridgewater, Va. 63, Hollins 37
Carson-Newman 60, Tusculum 53
Coll. of Charleston 75, Savannah St. 53
Edward Waters 58, Webber 56
Georgia College 72, S.C.-Upstate 69
Guilford 63, Washington & Lee 56
Lynchburg 84, Randolph-Macon Woman's 77, 20T Mars Hill 94. Catawba 82

York, Pa. 81, Gallaudet 52

Mars Hill 94, Catawba 82
Newberry 70, Presbyterian 63
Rollins 63, Tampa 46
Va. Wesleyan 53, E. Mennonite 51
Wingate 76, Lenoin-Rhyne 65
MIDWEST
Baldwin-Wallace 66, Ohio Northern 40
Ball St. 64, Toledo 49
Bluffton 74, Defiance 63
Bowling Green 80, Akron 48
Cincinnati 56, West Virginia 46
E. Michigan 63, N. Illinois 37
Franklin 77, Transylvania 63
Gustavus 51, Macalester 23
Hanover 60, Mount St. Joseph 31
Kent St. 73, Ohio 66, OT
Mount Union 61, Muskingum 52 Mount Union 61, Muskingum 52 Nebraska 65, Kansas 57 Taylor 80, Spring Arbor 71 SOUTHWEST Baylor 84. Texas A&M 59

Baylor 84, 18x8s A&M 59 Midwestern St. 69, Texas A&M-Kingsville 59 Missouri 69, Oklahoma St. 65 Oklahoma 61, Texas 54 St. Edward's, Texas 64, Panhandle St. 62

Men's college basketball

Wednesday's scores EAST American International 65, LeMoyne 45 American U. 68, Army 55 Franklin & Marshall 69, McDaniel 60 George Washington 69, Massachusetts 66 Gettysburg 65, Johns Hopkins 58 Hartford 75, UMBC 69 Holy Cross 72, Navy 62 lona 83, Rider 79 Kent St. 111, Buffalo 107, 2OT

EVENTS

TV TODAY

NBA

Philadelphia 76ers at Chicago Bulls, 7:30 p.m., TNT Houston Rockets at Phoenix Suns, 10 p.m., TNT

Men's college basketball

Georgetown at Marquette, 9 p.m., ESPN

San Diego State at UNLV, 10 p.m., ESPN2 Arizona at California, 10:30 p.m., Fox Sports Midwest

Women's college basketball

Tennessee at Georgia, 8 p.m., ESPN2

PGA Nissan Open, first round, noon, USA

Winter Olympics

Men's hockey: Kazakhstan vs. USA, 3 p.m., USA

Cross country skiing and speed skating, 4 p.m., WTHR-Channel 13

Figure skating, snowboarding, speed skating, skeleton, 8 p.m., WTHR-Channel 13

SPECTATOR SPORTS

TODAY

Gymnastics

Roncalli at Center Grove, 6:30 p.m.

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George Mason 67, Drexel 48 Cleveland .531 .519 23 25 Milwaukee 29 WESTERN CONFERENCE George Mason 67, Drexel 48 High Point 73, VMI 72 Dallas .769 .558 .558 .423 San Antonio Houston 78, UCF 71 N.C. State 86, Florida St. 64 23 N.C.-Wilmington 77, Hofstra 68 North Carolina 82, Georgia Tech 75 Old Dominion 75, Georgia St. 56 on Pct Tampa 87, Rollins 81 .528 .481 .442 .377 Denver Tennessee 105, Auburn 89 Virginia 91, Longwood 56 Winthrop 78, N.C.-Asheville 65 Minnesota 23 29 20 33

MIDWEST Adrian 75. Tri-State Ball St. 63, Cent. Michigan 60 Beloit 80, Ripon 70 Earlham 80, Denison 59 Hanover 99, Mount St. Joseph 90 Heidelberg 88, John Carroll 80 III.-Chicago 94, Wis.-Milwaukee 86, OT Illinois 63, Northwestern 47 Tuesday's games
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Manchester 78, Anderson 64 Michigan 72, Minnesota 50 Houston 128, L.A. Clippers 97 Mount Union 59, Muskingum 39 Wednesday's games Miami 110, Orlando 100 Nebraska 73, Iowa St. 63 Indiana 88, Milwaukee 77 Notre Dame 62, South Florida 55 Philadelphia 103 San Antonio 100 OT

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combined 3 for 13 in the first half. The Pacers started to get their

offense going in the third quarter when Stojakovic got going. He hit two quick 3-pointers to give Indiana a 54-47 lead and force a Milwaukee timeout.

Simmons scored six points in a Milwaukee run that cut Indiana's lead to 60-58. The Pacers responded by scoring the last seven points of the quarter, including a 3-pointer by Johnson at the buzzer that gave Indiana a 67-58 lead heading into the fourth.

a scorer recently. He scored 23 points

sixth straight Mid-State Conference

championship this season and want to

send Hass out with a bang. The quin-

tet kept the hairdos until Wednesday

in a 107-95 win against Golden State on

"It's always nice to get some attempts," he said. "I feel my offensive game is coming around. I feel good about taking shots and guys are looking for me.'

The win was significant for Indiana because for most of the season, the Pacers have had to play well to win. Johnson saw the positive in being able to win, especially while missing injured starters Jermaine O'Neal, Jamaal Tinsley and Austin Croshere.

"I know our margin for error was small. but our defense has been unbelievable in the past two weeks ... We've been holding teams below 90 points. Any time you do that, you have a chance."

although he admitted his head was a

has no qualms about his haircut,

lot colder during the school day.

evening, when the entire boys swimming team shaved their heads for today's sectional preliminaries. But they still had many fun stories

to tell. Cheek kept getting funny looks and double takes from people Sunday night and throughout the school week. His girlfriend, Franklin girls swim team member Amanda Wray, even told him that if he did it she wouldn't be seen

Cheek still went through with it, and she reneged on her threat. After getting the "coach cut," he

in public with him.

went bowling with Wray and her family and friends. "Her dad is bald, and he thought I

was making fun of him," Cheek said. "I had a whole lot of stares there, too." But Cheek said the best reaction

came from Hass. "The look on his face was priceless,"

he said. "It was great." Junior Paul Goad liked the idea and

"The north end of the high school is really cold all day," Goad said. "We're freezing just while we're in those classes.

little more time than the others to make his decision. After wavering on whether he was going to go through with it, the upperclassmen finally persuaded him.

"It's hard to get used to," Wanicki said. "My parents couldn't believe I did it. Every time they look at me, they can't help but laugh."

and was still flattered by their gesture. He was stunned they actually went through with the haircuts.

"For high school guys that would do that and feel that strong enough to do it in front of their peers in a high school setting, that's pretty amazing,' Hass said. "I don't think most students would put themselves out there to that extent to show they care about something, whatever it is."

Agent says Sosa likely will retire

By Ronald Blum THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sammy Sosa probably will retire after rejecting an offer from the Washington

"It's more than likely we have seen him in a uniform for the last time," Sosa's agent, Adam Katz, said Wednesday.

The 37-year-old outfielder ranks fifth on the career home run list with 588 but batted .221 with 14 homers SOSA and 45 RBIs last year in

his only season with the Baltimore Orioles. Washington offered Sosa a non-guaranteed contract that would have included performance bonus opportunities.

"It wasn't about the money and it wasn't about No. 600," Katz said. "It was a function of Sammy's expectation of his own performance. He didn't want to go out there and underperform like he did last year because it was just too painful for him, and it's just something he doesn't want to go through again."

Sosa became a free agent after last season and will not go on a formal retirement list. He is not likely to play for the Dominican

Republic in next month's inaugural World Baseball Classic.

"The inclination is not to, but it's unresolved," Katz said.

After beginning his Major League career with the Texas Rangers in 1989, Sosa was traded to the Chicago White Sox. He was dealt to the Chicago Cubs in 1992 and became a star and fan favorite, captivating the county in 1998 when he and Mark McGwire dueled to break Roger Maris' season homer mark of 61.

McGwire hit 70 that year, and Sosa finished with 66. Barry Bonds became the recordholder when he hit 73 in 2001.

Sosa wore out his welcome in Chicago in 2004 and was dealt to Baltimore after the

With baseball mired in accusations that star players used steroids, Sosa was among the players called to testify before a congressional committee in March. McGwire refused to answer questions about past steroid use. Sosa said he never used illegal steroids.

"I'm sure something will work out for him," Cubs manager Dusty Baker said. "I certainly don't think he's through.

"Injuries have hurt him the last couple of years. I'm hoping he gets a job."

Baker said the chase for 600 could motivate Sosa to play.

"That's definitely something you got to consider," he said. "That's mighty close to a major milestone."

WEDNESDAY'S

NBA ROUNDUP

The Associated Press

Heat 110

Magic 100

ORLANDO, Fla. - Dwyane Wade had 36 points, 10 rebounds and nine assists to lift the Miami Heat against the Orlando Magic.

It was the Heat's second win against Orlando in as many days, and they did it without a huge game from Shaquille O'Neal. The All-Star center had seven points and 11 rebounds before fouling out with 27.6 seconds remaining.

Antoine Walker had 26 points for the Heat. All Orlando starters scored in double figures, led by Howard and Tony Battie with 16. Hedo Turkoglu and DeShawn Stevenson each scored 14, while Steve Francis added 12 points and six assists.

Nets 95 **Bobcats 94**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Vince Carter tipped in his own miss with 9.6 seconds left to lift the New Jersey Nets to a victory against the Charlotte Bobcats,

snapping a seven-game road losing streak. Richard Jefferson scored 25 points, and Nenad Krstic added 20. Carter had 19 points, and Jason Kidd finished with 11 points, nine rebounds and nine assists for the Nets, who enter the All-Star break atop the Atlantic Division.

Charlotte fell behind by 18 points in the first guarter but went on a 34-12 run. They took a 47-43 lead behind the play of Melvin Ely and Brevin Knight, who combined to score 19 points in the second quarter.

Knicks 98

Raptors 96

NEW YORK — Jamal Crawford made a jumper with 3 seconds left, and the New York Knicks snapped a 10-game losing streak with a victory against the Toronto Raptors.

Eddy Curry scored 18 points, and Jalen Rose had 17 against his former team to earn his first victory since joining the Knicks. New York won for only the second time in 18 games, snapping its longest skid since ending the 1984-85 season with a franchiserecord 12 straight losses.

Crawford and Quentin Richardson each scored 14 points, and Channing Frye had 10.

All-Star Chris Bosh scored 25 points for the Raptors, who had their three-game winning streak snapped. Mike James had 13 of his 22 in the fourth quarter, but Toronto lost to New York for the first time in three meetings this season.

76ers 103 **Spurs 100, 0T**

PHILADELPHIA — Allen Iverson scored 42 points and Chris Webber added 21, including a key pair of free throws in overtime, to help Philadelphia beat San Antonio in overtime.

San Antonio, which had a nine-game winning streak snapped Monday at Cleveland, finished 6-2 on its eight-game "Rodeo" road trip. The Spurs have taken this trip for the past four seasons while a rodeo was conducted at the AT&T Center.

The road weary Spurs matched their season high with 23 turnovers and failed to put the 76ers away from the line in the fourth. After hitting their first nine free throws, the Spurs were 8 for 13 in the fourth quarter.

Tony Parker led San Antonio with 23 points, and Tim Duncan added 19 points and 15 rebounds. Nazr Mohammed, who played in Philadelphia for the first two-plus years of his career, hit his first six shots from the field and finished with 16 points and a career-high 20 rebounds.

Hornets 102 **Trail Blazers 86**

OKLAHOMA CITY — Kirk Snyder scored 22 points to lead New Orleans to a win against the Portland Trail Blazers, but the Hornets lost star rookie Chris Paul to another injury.

Paul slammed into 7-foot-3, 305-pound Blazers center Ha Seung-Jin, with 6:17 left in the third quarter and remained on the floor for a few moments, kicking his legs in pain. Already wearing a flak jacket to protect his bruised left ribs, Paul grabbed at his left shoulder, which made contact with Ha and then with the floor as he rolled to the ground.

He put ice on the shoulder, then pulled his warmup top over his jersey and remained on the bench for the rest of the game. By the time he was hurt, the game was already

well in New Orleans' control. The Hornets started the second quarter with a

15-3 run to establish a 43-24 lead on Speedy



The New Jersey Nets' Vince Carter, left, dunks over the Bobcats' Lonny Baxter during the first half of their game Wednesday in Charlotte, N.C.

Claxton's driving layup. Claxton, who filled in for Paul when he missed three games with bruised ribs, scored eight points on three layups and a pair of free throws during the run.

Timberwolves 102 SuperSonics 92

MINNEAPOLIS — Ricky Davis scored 25 points, and Kevin Garnett added 23 points and 15 rebounds, pushing the Minnesota Timberwolves past the Seattle Super-Sonics to end a four-game losing streak, all at home.

Trenton Hassell chipped in 12 points, and Anthony

Carter and Rashad McCants each scored 10, giving the Wolves only their second win in their past nine games. Ray Allen scored 23 points for the Sonics, who

lost for the seventh time in eight games, but he didn't attempt a free throw. Rashad Lewis was held to eight points on 1-for-7 shooting, drawing a technical with 4:28 remaining after slamming the ball down in disgust over an offensive foul called on him in the lane.

Grizzlies 84 Kings 78

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Pau Gasol scored 24 points and grabbed seven rebounds to lead the Memphis Grizzlies to a win against the Sacramento Kings.

Back-to-back 3-pointers by Shane Battier put Memphis ahead 80-78 with 4:34 left. Neither team would score again until a pair of free throws by Eddie Jones with 13.9 seconds remaining. Two more free throws by Chucky Atkins with less than a second left sealed the Memphis victory.

Gasol, the first Grizzlies' All-Star, connected on 10 of 17 shots from the field and added four blocks, part of 14 blocks for Memphis. The Grizzlies have won three straight games heading into the All-Star break. Atkins added 17 points for Memphis, while Eddie

Jones scored 13. Battier had 10 points, eight

rebounds and five blocks. Kevin Martin scored 14 points and Mike Bibby finished with 12 for the Kings, who placed six players in double figures. Kenny Thomas had 12 points and 12 rebounds, Francisco Garcia scored 11 off the bench and Ron Artest and Brad Miller each had 10 points.

In other news

Pistons trade Milicic to Magic

The Detroit Pistons gave up on Darko Milicic on Wednesday night, trading the No. 2 pick in the 2003 draft to the Orlando Magic along with Carlos Arroyo for a first-round selection and center Kelvin Cato. Detroit drafted Milicic three years ago after LeBron

James and ahead of Carmelo Anthony, Chris Bosh and Dwyane Wade. But Milicic barely played as the Pistons won an NBA title, almost repeated last year and have compiled the best record this season. "We feel like this is a good trade for our team and

gives our organization flexibility as we move forward this season and in the future," Pistons president of basketball operations Joe Dumars said. "Darko is a young player, and I think he's going to

get an opportunity to play in Orlando." The 7-foot, 245-pound center from Serbia-

Montenegro played in 96 games in three seasons, averaging 1.6 points, 1.2 rebounds and 5.8 minutes. He is 20 years old.

Pacers

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE B1)

Milwaukee guard T.J. Ford, who is recovering from a mid-back contusion. "But with the All-Star break here, we've got some time to heal."

Indiana didn't make a 3-pointer in

the first half, but hit five in the sec-

ond. The Pacers outrebounded the Bucks 52-39 and held them to 37 percent shooting. Pacers guard Stephen Jackson was

poked on the eye on a drive to the bas-

ket in the second quarter and went

straight to the locker room. He re-

Swimmers

Schaefer, who introduced the idea,

wanted to show his appreciation for

remembered former teammate Ryan

Beck had done it before. But he want-

With a little persuading, he persuaded

the other four to go along with the idea.

They shaved each other's hair Sunday

look and called it a "coach cut."

afternoon into a male-pattern-baldness

"I thought it would be a great pre-

people to go to (sectionals)," Schaefer

"Coach Hass has meant everything

to me," Schaefer added. "He's changed

my life. He has a better outlook on

life. He not only teaches us how to

swim but how to be better people.

The Grizzly Cubs (13-1) won their

sent for coach (Hass) going around

school looking like him and getting

Hass before the season ended. He

ed to take it a step further and get

more swimmers involved.

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turned to start the third quarter. Indiana held a 40-39 lead at half-

time. The Pacers' top two scorers, Jackson and Stojakovic, were only a

Johnson has been more assertive as

Freshman David Wanicki needed a

Hass admired the group's courage