

Oost, playin' the field



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Bird's retirement was an expected one. With Jordan, Johnson, and Bird out of the NBA who will take over the reigns as superstars?

Harold Minor of the Miami Heat possesses the aerial tactics of Jordan but he doesn't have the scoring threat ability.

Chris Mullin of the Golden State Warriors is a gritty scorer, just like Bird, but the problem for Mullin is that his team has never won an NBA title.

Walt Williams of the Sacramento Kings is a Johnson clone. Williams is the same height and he even wears his socks to his knees. Williams might have a shot at actually becoming "Magic", so we will have to wait and see.

As far as showmen are concerned, the NBA still carries a lot of these men. For starters, Scottie Pippen of the Chicago Bulls will carry the load and he brings to the game high-flying dunks with the shooting mentality of a guard.

Shawn Kemp of the Seattle SuperSonics can be a showstopping, hard dunking player who, I predict, will soon bring his team a championship.

Tim Hardaway of the Golden State Warriors is a great point guard who has a little bit of "Magic" in him. Hardaway is a showman who is known for great passes and his "killer crossover" move.

Shaquille O'Neal of the Orlando Magic will probably be the most popular figure in professional sports within the next few years. "Shaq" is a big man who already has two backboards to his credit.

These are a few people who can keep the hype of professional basketball going, but none, as far as I'm concerned, will take the place of Jordan, Johnson, and Bird.

Within the last year, three of the most prolific hoop stars in the history of professional basketball have retired.

The biggest news in the world of sports recently was Michael "Air" Jordan's retirement. Some newswriters feel the retirement was greatly influenced by the death of his father James Jordan, who was murdered in South Carolina just this past summer. Michael Jordan enjoyed a very close relationship with his father and the tragic death took Jordan and the nation by surprise.

A tragedy like this reminds me of Irvin "Magic" Johnson's retirement. Johnson announced to the world he had contracted the HIV virus. This announcement also shocked the nation and it makes me wonder who will be the next great athlete to call a press conference and announce his retirement as a result of a tragic event.

Luckily for sportsfans, Larry



Colonels' Ken Anderson whips the ball down field. Photo by Jim Ballmer

Intramural football:

Fujimo and Colonels engage in fall classic

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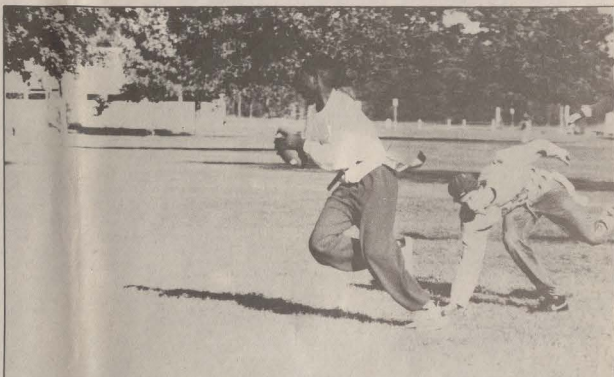
When hearing the phrase "flag football," images like students sashaying about plucking off little flags may come to some people's simple minds. But let me tell you, my unknowing friend, this is not a past-time at ACC for the brittle boned.

The sky was overcast, the air was brisk, and the ground was dry, hard and spotted with the occasional droppings of geese (probably on their way south), as the teams Fujimo and The Colonels took the field October 7.

As I watched both teams practice during pre-game, I had difficulty deciding who would come out victorious. Both squads were sized up evenly and looked cocky. I had a brooding feeling this was going to be a grueling match up.

Fujimo drew first blood, bringing them up by six points. But the Colonels tied it soon enough. Fujimo made another touchdown and tempers began to flare.

Colonel's quarterback Ken Anderson kept trying to lead his receivers into anticipated passes, but connections were scarce. Out of frustration, Anderson shrieked, "Don't stop! Keep running!" After a couple plays, the receivers caught on.



Phillies Bluntz' quarterback "Boogie" Covington scrambles for yardage.

Photo by Linda Simpson

Bluntz smoke their way to a 9-1 record

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The Phillies Bluntz captured 1st place in regular season Intramural football play by winning their last two games. Their only loss was a forfeit.

The first game was against Insane played by the Bluntz, they plowed over with the Bluntz winning by a score of Fujimo winning 40-14.

Covington threw to Smith for a Starting Bluntz quarterback Craig touchdown, Jenkins scored on a reverse

"Boogie" Covington completed four T.D. passes to Doran Parker, Travis "T-Rock" Smith and Richard Jenkins. Marcus "Smoke" Johnson replaced Covington at quarterback and continued the scoring spree ending the game with a touchdown to Covington.

hand off, Smith then threw for two more touchdowns, including a two-point conversion to Jeremy "Oost" Williams, and the final TD came on a completed pass to Marcus Johnson.

Final regular season standings were: Phillies Bluntz, 9-1; Insane, 7-3; Colonels, 6-4; and Fujimo 4-6. Attitude Adjustment and T.N.T. forfeited their seasons, respectively.

The Super Bowl will be played today at 4:30 behind Van Lare Hall.

This "Cookie" doesn't crumble

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Some cookies are sweet, but this one may not be good enough to eat.

Dave "Cookie" Kuznicki has been around and associated with ACC sports for twenty years.

Born and raised in Alpena, he attended Alpena Catholic Central and Alpena High before going to ACC and Central Michigan, where he received a degree in the arts.

In the last twenty years, he has been running the scoreboard for Lumberjack basketball games, and he has seen many talented ball players and colorful coaches, not the least of which is our inimitable Frank McCourt.

Kuznicki is a public figure around campus and likes to participate in out of school activities, like the Gus Macker basketball tournament. He jokingly stated, "I was dumb enough to say I would be the head "Gusbuster" in the Macker tournament. It was the two longest days of my life. I bought a new pair of tennis shoes and I put on a lot of miles."

"Cookie" can also be seen being a referee for intramural sports. He started in 1987 with basketball. The next year he was asked to ref basketball and floor hockey. After that he was asked to ref all the sports, which brings him to where he is today. Kuznicki is also a referee for

high school football games and often works with Max Lindsey, assistant dean of students.

"Cookie" enjoys being around

the students and will most definitely be around for a while. It's assuring to know that the "cookie" isn't crumbling.



"Cookie" Kuznicki looks to make a call.

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