

Rebels face UCLA in first meeting

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The UNLV Rebel basketball team will have its first confrontation ever Saturday with the No. 10 UCLA Bruins at Pauley Pavilion.

"It's not a make or break game," Dedan Thomas said, "but it's going to be a big test."

Returning lettermen for the Bruins are senior guard Shon Tarver, who averaged 17.2 points per game last year, and juniors Ed O'Bannon, 16.7 ppg, and Tyus

Edney, 13.6 ppg.

Both Tarver and O'Bannon originally verbally committed to UNLV in the summer of 1990 following the Rebels' National Championship. But when the NCAA ruled that UNLV could not defend its championship (a decision later reversed), both elected to become Bruins.

Top newcomers for UCLA are 6-foot-6 freshman Charles O'Bannon, Ed's brother from Artesia High School in California, and 6-foot-1 Cameron Dollar of St. John's Prospect Hall-

Frederick.

The Bruins tied for third in the Pac-10 at 11-7, 22-11 overall. Their season came to an end with an overtime loss to Michigan in the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

The Bruins are coming off of a massive victory over Loyola Marymount last week and look to show no mercy on the young Rebels.

"I'm excited, but it's going to be tough," Lawrence Thomas said. "It will let us know where we stand."

Sports a microcosm for society's ills

Drink, drive, kill someone and get off free.

That is exactly what happened to former U.S. Olympic diver Bruce Kimball.

Kimball decided to go out and have a few drinks one night in 1989 and ended up getting intoxicated. Kimball was so drunk in fact it took him 20 minutes just

to get into his car and start the engine. Barely able to see straight, Kimball took to the road.

Driving down a busy street in Tampa, Fla., Kimball blacked out and plowed into a group of teenagers waiting to cross the street. When all the commotion had settled, police and medical crews arrived to find two dead teens covered in blood on the blackened pavement.

Two lives taken, hundreds

altered.

Kimball was given a fair trial and found guilty of manslaughter then sentenced to 17 years in prison.

Kimball was released last week.

The former American hero served only five years of his 17-year sentence. Where is the justice in that?

It doesn't matter if he is a former Olympic athlete. Kimball was given a sentence of 17 years. He should serve every minute, of every hour, of every day of that sentence. Four years is hardly a punishment that fits the crime.

How can the American justice system let a murderer like Kimball go free after just four years in jail? The same question can be asked of those courts that allow sex of-

fenders and murderers to be freed after short stints in the Big House.

Kimball is now on 15 years probation; he needs permission by the courts to enter any place that serves alcohol and he may never be granted a driver's license again.

Big deal.

Our former Olympic hero deserves only one punishment—prison. Kimball has reportedly gone into seclusion after his release. Some might say that's punishment in itself. It isn't.

Kimball can spend the holidays with his family. The parents of the children he killed cannot spend this coming holiday with their children. They have been dead for four years now. That emptiness they feel will never go away. The only solace those parents had was that Bruce Kimball would be in jail for a long time.

This week, the justice system of the United States spit on the graves of those two dead teens. America, what a country.



In my Opinion

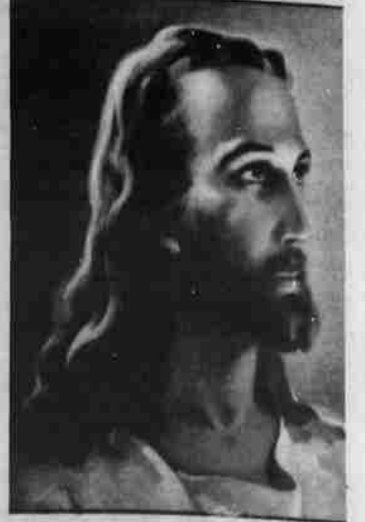
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"Come unto me," saith the Lord.

Westphal

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that many refer to him as the "team mechanic."

"He'll help anyone out, whatever it is. He's very reliable that way," Gay said.

However, Westphal would never want anyone to credit him with being reliable. When he heard that teammates thought of him that way he shrugged it off.

"Reliable? Who said that? I just do what I say I'm going to do, that's all. If I'm not going to do it, I don't say it," Westphal said.

Westphal's talents outside the pool are as diverse as they are in the pool. He is also known for his great ability to cook, it is one of his hidden talents. Just looking at him, many could not imagine finding him in front of the stove.

His freshman year, Westphal cooked Thanksgiving dinner for the few other teammates who did not go home for the holiday. Three years later the team members are still talking about the great turkey that he cooked.

NBA Prep

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San Antonio's J.R. Reid and the Lakers' number-one pick George Lynch. If MJ hadn't quit, North Carolina would hold the top spot.

1. Centers, centers, centers. You want an NBA center, look to **Georgetown**. Coach John Thompson has tutored All-Star and two-time Olympic Gold Medalist Patrick Ewing of the Knicks, 1993 All-Rookie first teamer Alonzo Mourning of the Hornets, and 1992 Denver Nuggets All-Star Dikembe Mutombo.

The addition of Mutombo's teammate, high-scoring Reggie Williams, Spurs' guard Sleepy Floyd, and Hornets defensive stopper David Wingate would make it tough for the Hoyas to be topped. It's the three big men, two All-Stars already with Mourning soon to follow, that put Georgetown front and center.



THE FOLLOWING ARE THE DATES, TIMES, AND SUBJECTS THAT WILL BE COVERED DURING THE UNLV/POWERBAR STUDY HALL SESSION AT THE MOYER STUDENT UNION (DEC. 6-10).

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*NOTE: ALL TIMES ARE P.M.

1	MONDAY			
2	SPANISH 113	6:00 - 8:00	FRENCH (all levels)	6:00 - 9:00
3	ECO 201, 202, 261	6:00 - 9:00	MAT 112, 124, 126	6:00 - 9:00
4	MAT 112, 120, 124	8:00 - 9:00	MAT 127, 128, 180	6:00 - 9:00
5	MAT 126, 127	8:00 - 9:00		
6	TUESDAY			
7	ENGLISH A	6:00 - 9:00	FRENCH (all levels)	6:00 - 9:00
8	MAT 112, 120, 124	6:00 - 9:00	MAT 112, 124, 126	6:00 - 9:00
9	MAT 126, 127	6:00 - 9:00	MAT 127, 128, 180	6:00 - 9:00
10	SPANISH 113	6:00 - 7:00	ACC 251, 252	6:00 - 9:00
11	WEDNESDAY			
12	SPANISH 113	6:00 - 8:00	FRENCH (all levels)	6:00 - 9:00
13	ECO 201, 202, 261	6:00 - 9:00	MAT 112, 120, 124, 126	6:00 - 9:00
14	MAT 112, 120, 124	6:00 - 9:00	MAT 127, 128, 132, 180	6:00 - 9:00
15	MAT 126, 127, 128	6:00 - 9:00	MAT 181, 182	6:00 - 9:00
16	ACC 251	6:00 - 9:00		
17	THURSDAY			
18	SPANISH 113	6:00 - 7:00	MAT 127, 128, 132, 180	6:00 - 9:00
19	ACC 251	6:00 - 9:00	MAT 181, 182	6:00 - 9:00
20	MAT 112, 120, 124, 126	6:00 - 9:00	FRENCH (all levels)	6:00 - 9:00
21	FRIDAY			
22	ENG A, 101, 102	6:00 - 9:00	FRENCH (all levels)	6:00 - 9:00
23	MAT 112, 120, 124, 126	6:00 - 9:00	ACC 251	6:00 - 9:00
24	MAT 127, 128, 180	6:00 - 9:00	SPANISH 113	6:00 - 9:00