

★★★ SPORTS BRIEFS ★★★

**HOOPTY-HOOP** - A Hoop Shoot Skills Contest takes place at 10 a.m., Friday, August 28 at the Stewart/Mojave Sports Center, 275 N. Mojave Rd. The basketball skills contest includes skill shooting for points, distance, speed, and accuracy. Competition is open to anyone 13 or older at a cost of \$7. Registration continues through the day of the event. This program is sponsored by the City of Las Vegas. Call 229-6563.

**B-BALL FOR THE OL' FOLKS** - An over 30 basketball league will be sponsored this fall by the City of Las Vegas Department of Parks and Leisure Activities. Registration takes place August 3-14 at a cost of \$200 per team, plus a \$20 official's fee. Play begins 5:30 p.m., September 14, and continues each Monday thereafter at the Stewart/Mojave Sports Center, 275 N. Mojave Rd. A pre-season tournament determining team placement takes place August 17-26. Please register early. Call 229-2089/378-4700.

**GET YOUR KICKS** - Clark County Parks and Recreation invites you to join the fun in a 6 on 6 Mini Soccer League. This league is designed for young men ages 16-25 who reside in Southern Nevada Housing Developments. Games will be played at the Silver Bowl Sports Complex from 11 p.m. - 2 a.m., on Wednesday and Friday nights. Volunteer coaches are also needed. Call 455-8249 for details.

**MONTANA MUST REST** - Joe Montana's ailing elbow has forced the San Francisco 49ers quarterback to suspend his comeback attempt for at least two weeks. His arm may be immobilized in a sling during that period. If rest fails to heal the problem, Montana may have to undergo a third operation on the elbow.

**ESPN FULFILLS B'BALL FANS' NEEDS** - ESPN has announced it will televise more than 200 college basketball games this season, beginning with the first round of the Preseason NIT and concluding with the 24 conference tournament championships in March of '93.

**METS COULD LOSE DIVISION BY HAIRLINE** - Bobby Bonilla and Howard Johnson, two-thirds of the Mets' starting outfield and heart of their batting order remain on the disabled list. Bonilla is out with a hairline fracture of his ninth right rib suffered in a diving try of a foul ball. Johnson is out with a hairline fracture of the Hamate bone in his right wrist.

**MILLER**

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parade, by limousine, when we spoke with her.

"It's great, it's really great," explained Miller, speaking of all the hype that her hometown has made of her success.

She said that the airport had people from all over Oklahoma when she returned from Barcelona, unlike when she returned from the Olympic trials when the airport only saw fans from Edmond.

Miller will be entering the 10th grade this fall, and will have a great "What I did this summer," speech to tell.

One question still remains though; will she lock her medals and memories of Barcelona away and go on with her life, or will she and Nunno go back to the gym and prepare for 1996 Olympics in Atlanta?

Shannon mentioned that there is a U.S. gymnastics tour being planned, that she'll be involved with.

Hey Shannon, what about '96?

"It would be great to be in Atlanta," explained the Silver Medalist. Yes Shannon, it would be— See ya there.

**THE GREATEST...**



**JACKIE JOYNER-KERSEE re-established herself as the world's greatest female athlete by easily winning the gold medal in the heptathlon, the two-day, seven-event competition. She became the first woman to win two Olympic gold medals in multi-event competition.**

By W.G. Ramirez

"You're the greatest athlete ever," said 1976 decathlon champion Bruce Jenner, following Jackie Joyner-Kersey's gold medal victory in the heptathlon.

Joyner-Kersey, exhausted from the grueling 800-meter finale, circled the track draped in a large U.S. flag. She totaled 7,044 points—the first time she has cracked 7,000 since winning the gold in Seoul. Irina Belova of the Unified Team was second with 6,845.

Joyner-Kersey became the first woman to repeat as Olympic heptathlon champion.

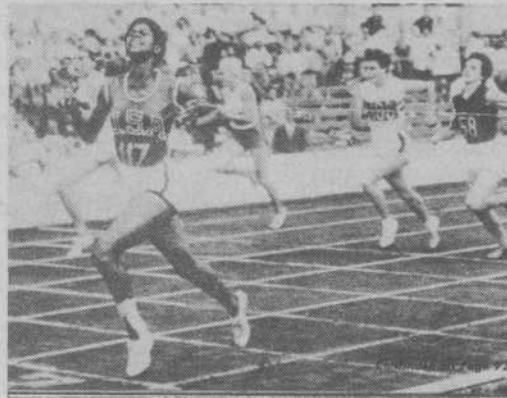
"Because it was so historic, I really wanted to get the gold," said Joyner-Kersey.

Not only did she become the first double heptathlon winner, she also became the second American woman to win the same track title in consecutive Olympics. The other was Wyomia Tyus, who won the 100 meters in 1964 and 1968.

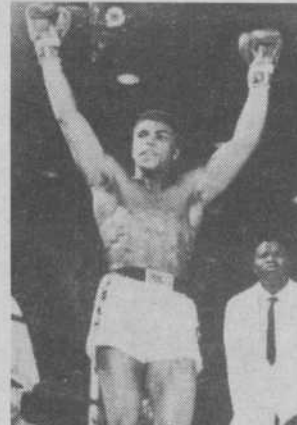
The heptathlon has been contested in the Olympics only since 1984. Before that, the woman's multi-event in track and field was called the pentathlon.

Joyner-Kersey, of Canoga Park, California, won the 100-meter hurdles, 200-meter dash and the long jump. The high-jump, shot-put, javelin and 800 meters make up the rest of the heptathlon.

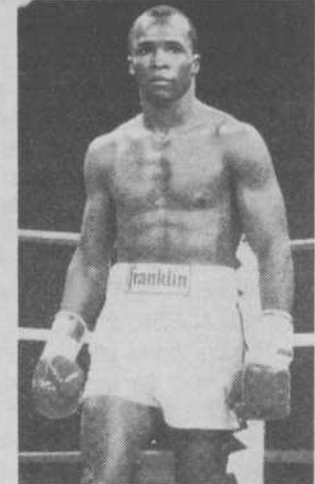
**PROUD OLYMPIC MOMENTS FOR BLACK ATHLETES**



**Wilma Rudolph gained worldwide stardom during the Olympics in Rome when she became the first American woman to win three gold medals in track and field when she won the 100 and 200 meter dashes and helped win the 400-meter relay in 1960.**



**"To make America the greatest is my goal. So I beat the Russian, and I beat the Pole, And for the USA won the Medal of Gold Italians said, 'you're greater than the Cassius of Old.'" Cassius Clay, 1960**



**Sugar Ray Leonard helped bring the resurgence of American boxing by capturing the gold medal in the 1976 games in Montreal.**

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