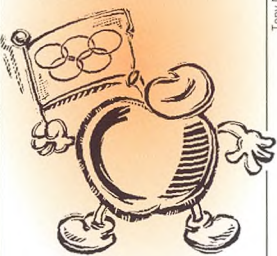




On June 14, the New York Rangers defeat the Vancouver Canucks 3 to 2 in the seventh game of the Stanley Cup play-offs, winning the coveted hockey cup for the first time in 54 years.

The Centennial Olympics will be in Atlanta, Georgia in 1996. The city will emphasize its multicultural aspects to honor athletes from around the world.



Tony Duffy/Allsport



Dara Torres-Gowen becomes the first Olympic swimmer to model swimsuits in the *Sports Illustrated* annual swimsuit issue. Gold-medalist Torres-Gowen's sporty looks break the "waifs and glamazons" mold dictated by fashion.

Strong, Gamma/Liaison



Tonya Harding, barred for life from organized skating for obstructing justice in the investigation of an assault on Nancy Kerrigan, is offered \$2 million by the All Japan Women's Pro Wrestling Association to wrestle as a baddie.

In Super Bowl XXIX in Miami, the San Francisco 49ers beat the San Diego Chargers 49-26, in their record-breaking fifth Super Bowl win. Quarterback Steve Young passes for a record six touchdowns to win most valuable player.



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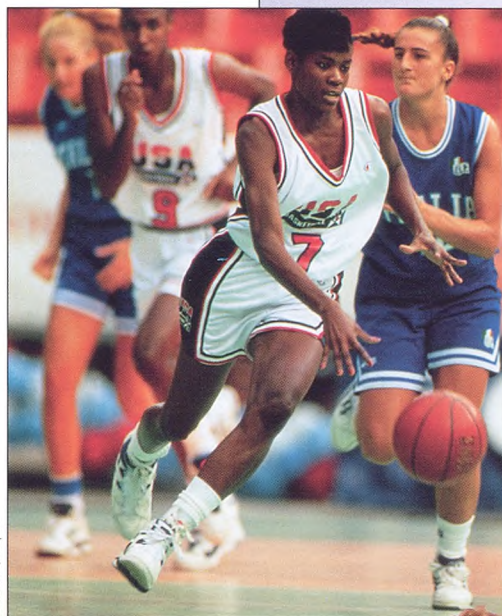


After 52 wins, four PPG Cup titles, and \$10 million in earnings, Indycar champion Mario Andretti races for the final time in his 31-year career. The four-time Indianapolis 500 champion retires in October 1994.



Ernie Els wins the 1994 U.S. Open golf tournament in sudden-death playoff. The U.S. women's golf team, led by Dottie Mochrie, beats Europe for the 1994 Solheim Cup.

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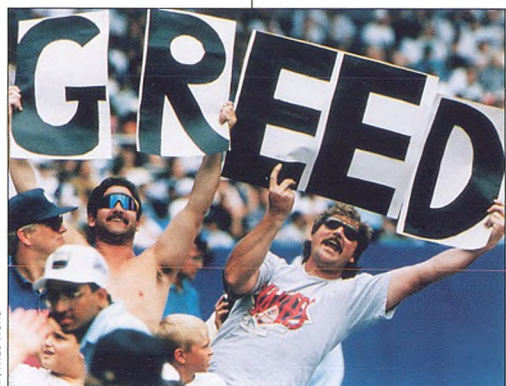


Basketball star Sheryl Swoopes leads the U.S. women's basketball team to a gold medal at the Goodwill Games in Russia. Earlier she led Texas Tech to an NCAA title and signed an endorsement deal with Nike.

AP/Wide World



World Cup soccer comes to the U.S. for the first time: 24 teams play 52 World Cup games in nine cities to 3,567,415 fans, culminating in a title match between Brazil and Italy. Earlier the U.S. upset Colombia, but lost to the Brazilian team, who went on to win the cup.



Fans are openly angry when a dispute between players and team owners over salary caps and other issues threatens to shut down baseball. A work stoppage begins on August 12, and no World Series is played for the first time since 1904.

Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun, 85, who wrote the majority opinion in *Roe v. Wade*, the landmark 1973 case that guaranteed a woman's legal right to abortion, announces his retirement from the court after 24 years.

The Charles and Diana fairy-tale-turned-sordid-soap continues: A German newspaper prints nude photos of Prince Charles; he publishes a confession saying he never loved his wife. Princess Diana is suspected of making crank phone calls; an old friend who claims to be her ex-lover hawks a trashy kiss-and-tell book.

Tabitha the cat spends 12 days and 32,000 miles in the fuselage of a Tower Air 747 jet when she escapes her cat carrier and gets lost in the cargo hold. Tabitha makes television appearances after her rescue with her aspiring-actress owner. Tabitha lost two pounds during the ordeal, her owner lost six.

The Florida judge would not allow Paul Hill to use justifiable homicide as a defense in the shootings of Dr. John Britton and his bodyguard outside a Pensacola abortion clinic. Hill is found guilty of murder in the first degree.

Anna Paquin, 11, wins an Academy Award for her performance in *The Piano*. Says actor Gene Hackman, "I guess now you'll have no trouble getting cast in your school play."

Fast Forward



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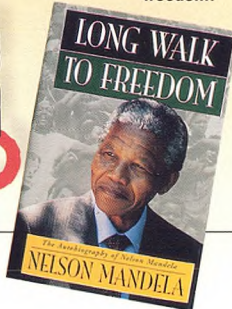
Ronald Reagan, 83, announces he is in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease, which will cause him to rely increasingly on wife Nancy. Doctors say the easy-going ex-president should be able to function normally for several more years.

Despite hurled obscenities and death threats, Shannon Faulkner, 19, battles the all-male Citadel for the right to become the first female cadet in the 152-year history of the state-supported South Carolina military school.



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Nelson Mandela, an international hero who won the Nobel Peace Prize, writes his story. *Long Walk to Freedom: The Autobiography of Nelson Mandela* covers the author's 27 years as a political prisoner, his release, and black Africans struggle for freedom.



Sending a worthy message to pageant-watchers, Heather Whitestone, a deaf Alabama college junior who works with handicapped kids, is crowned 1994 Miss America by her predecessor Kimberly Aiken.



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In Singapore, American teenager Michael Fay is convicted of vandalism and publicly caned four times by a martial arts master, despite pleas from his family and President Clinton.



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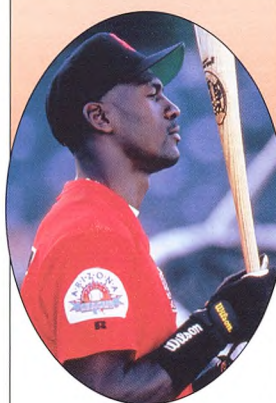
Cartoonist Gary Larson announces that he will retire *The Far Side*, a feature that began in 1978 and has appeared in 1,500 newspapers.

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



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Applying his new fame to good works, actor Antonio Banderas, of *Philadelphia* and *Interview With the Vampire*, spends a week on a goodwill mission helping UNICEF draw attention to wartorn Somalia.



Ron Davis/Shooting Star

Former basketball superstar Michael Jordan improves his game for the Arizona Scottsdale Scorpions, a minor-league baseball team. He still has no plans to return to the hoops.

Jonathan Daniel Allport

In about the most surprising event of the year, Michael Jackson weds Elvis' daughter, Lisa Marie Presley in a secret ceremony, May 1994. Journalists wonder if the union isn't a business arrangement or an attempt to polish Michael's public image, tarnished by claims of child molestation.



AP/Wide World

Scruffy movie idol Johnny Depp and wispy model Kate Moss have a headline-making lovers quarrel. Depp is arrested for trashing the couple's hotel room.



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Model Cindy Crawford and actor Richard Gere, dubbed the world's sexiest couple, announce their separation. Hollywood books Crawford for her first movie.



Steve Grantz/Petra Ltd.