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Indians' run ends in heartbreak



Above: Newington Senior Tereasa Milardo after her team's season-ending loss to Norwich Free Academy on Wednesday.

Newington girls lose to eventual champion NFA in Class LL semifinals

The Newington Indians girls basketball team, ranked #8 in all of New England after a quarterfinal win which ended Masuk's 50-game winning streak, saw their dream season end with a nightmarish fourth quarter in a semifinal loss to #3-ranked Norwich Free Academy on Wednesday night.

After trailing significantly throughout the first quarter and early in the second, the Indians came back to tie NFA near the end of the first half. At halftime and the end of the third quarter, it was a two-point game.

But despite several ties, the Indians never took the lead. And in the fourth quarter, they hit only one field goal, were outscored 17-5, and saw their dreams of a trip to the state championship game slip away.

"It just wasn't meant to be," said one player on the team bus after the game. "We're not going to the Super Bowl."

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UConn Husky teams earn #1 seeds

Women top midwest regional; Men are #1 in southeast

Men win Big East tourney, page 3

The UConn men's and women's basketball Huskies were both awarded top seeds on NCAA Selection Sunday. The men were sent to the southeast region as

expected, but the women were surprised to be sent to the midwest rather than the east.

The men's first-round game will be against #16-seed Colgate—which is a team as well as a toothpaste—on Thursday in Indianapolis, Indiana. The women will play #16 Howard on Saturday at Gampel Pavillion in Storrs.

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Men's and women's tourney brackets, pages 7 & 8

Indians fall short of Class LL title game

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When asked whether the fact that Newington came close and tied, but never took the lead, made a big difference in the outcome of the game, Indians Coach Sandy Pilz said, "It would have made an enormous difference. If we had ever gotten the lead, I think it would have made an enormous difference."

Pilz gave examples of why the lead is important by citing 1993 state tournament games: "Three years ago, when we played Bridgeport Central in the semis, we had a 14-point lead going into the fourth quarter. They [came back and] caught us, but they couldn't pass us. Once we got that breakaway basket, the game was over. In the finals, Southington had an 18-point lead on us. We caught them, but we couldn't pass them. As soon as

they got their breakaway basket, we fell apart."

"Same thing here. We could stay with this team, but we couldn't get over the hump. I do think it would have made a tremendous psychological difference if we had gotten over the hump."

The turning point in the game, said Pilz, was in late in the third quarter, when Newington was still matching NFA basket-for-basket. "I felt like were very, very much in it, and Leslie [Carlson] hit a three to re-confirm my feelings, and then when that kid, [Jessica] Peer, the sub, came down and nailed the three less than ten seconds after Leslie hit her three, I thought that was a very strong statement. It was their way of saying, 'No matter what you throw at us, we're going to have an answer.'

After the game, Pilz said he told the team the loss was

"very hard for all of us, because we never considered anything other than winning as a possibility....If you're really, really going to strive for greatness, the joys are much higher but the pain is much greater, too. But it's worth it, because along the road to getting there, we get experiences that very few other people in life have the pleasure of getting, and we're very lucky."



Above: With 17 seconds left in Newington's season-ending loss, juniors Leslie Carlson (far left) and Ela Lapciuk (far right) console seniors Amy Strong (near left) and Tereasa Milardo (near right).

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On February 26, the day after February Vacation, some of Mrs. Victor's science students finished an extra-credit "T-shirt chromatography" lab based on the paper chromatography unit in their classes. They had to wait until after vacation because of Winter Storm Joe. At left, Kelly Valencia drops some isopropyl alcohol onto her chromatography T-shirt. Above, Claudio Gualtieri shows off his finished T-shirt.

Newington loses in semifinals; NFA wins state championship

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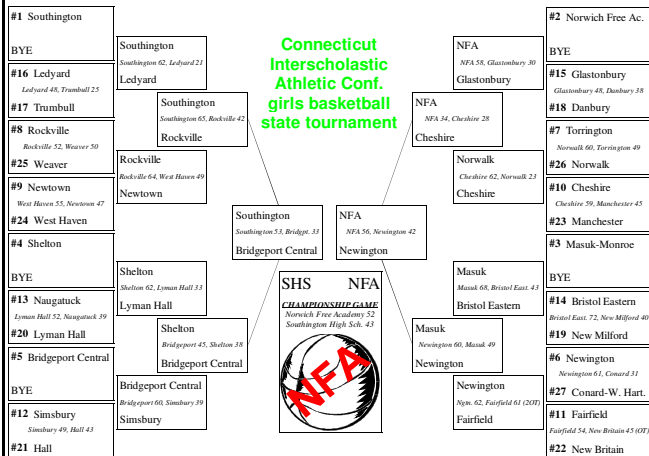
When asked what he will remember most about the season, Pilz said, "This is the most fun I ever had. In my nine years [coaching the team], this is the most fun I ever had. I'll remember this year as the one year in my nine years where I looked forward to going to practice, and I looked forward to going to every single game....I'll remember this as the season with the most enjoyment, and the most mature kids."

After defeating Newington (21-3) in the semifinals, NFA (26-0) went on to the state title game, where they defeated another CCC South powerhouse, Southington (23-1), and won the Class LL championship, 52-43.

The day before the NFA/Southington game, when asked to predict a winner, Coach Pilz responded, "That's one of the very few games where you can talk about it until you're blue in the face, but you can't really pick a winner....They're two very, very good basketball teams."

"They're the only two teams that beat the eighth-ranked team in New England," *Living Room Times* chief editor Brendan Loy quipped, referring to Southington's two wins over #8 Newington and NFA's one win over the Indians.

Laughing, Pilz answered, "That's a good way of putting it."



UConn men win Big East tourney

Defeat Georgetown for title

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) -- Ray Allen's drive with 13 seconds to play, his only field goal of the second half, capped a game-closing 12-0 run and gave No. 3 Connecticut a 75-74 victory over No. 6 Georgetown on Saturday night, the Huskies' second Big East tournament championship.

Allen, the league's player of the year, had managed just three free throws in the second half and missed all eight of his shots before his winning drive over Georgetown guard Allen Iverson.

Iverson came back downcourt, missed a driving shot of his own and Jerome Williams couldn't convert the tip as the Hoyas missed their last five shots of the game.

The Huskies (29-2) had won their third straight regular-season title with a league-record 17 wins, but this was their first tournament victory since 1990 when they lost to Duke in the regional final.

Georgetown (26-7), the #2 seed in the tournament, was making its 10th championship game appearance in the 17 tournaments played and has now lost fourth

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Above: With this basket, freshman Ricky Moore scores two of his fourteen points. Moore and Kirk King kept UConn within striking distance until the end, when Ray Allen won the game.

So what about these AP articles? As you may be aware, a recent *Hartford Courant* article about *The Living Room Times* stated that, according to an Associated Press spokesperson, the *Times*'s use of AP articles is "technically" illegal. But the *Courant* article also quoted the spokesperson as saying, "We admire his conscientiousness and we're happy that he thinks AP copy belongs in his paper." Daniela Altimari, the *Courant* reporter who wrote the article, reinforced to *Times* chief editor Brendan Loy during a phone conversation that the Associated Press does not really have any problem with our use of their articles, as long as the *Times* is not being sold. We are currently in the process of seeking official permission to use AP articles, but for the moment, we feel we have a sort of 'unofficial permission' to use AP copy in the *Times*, and we have been using it sparingly. In today's edition, it would have been impossible for Loy to write his own articles about the UConn game or the Presidential Primaries because of lack of information and time restraints, which is why we are including two Associated Press articles.

Dole inches closer to GOP nomination



Associated Press
Tulsa, Okla. (AP) -- Senator Bob Dole declared on Saturday, "I smell victory in the air," heading into Super Tuesday's primaries. Refusing to back down, Pat Buchanan attacked Dole as a rudderless leader and Steve

Forbes focused on Florida, searching for an elusive breakthrough.

"Where're we going, Bob? Where are you going to take us if you win, Bob?" Buchanan challenged at a fairgrounds rally in Fairfield, Texas. "The Bible tells us where there is no vision, the people perish."

Buchanan showed strength in Missouri, where Republicans started a caucus process that eventually will lead to selection of delegates to the GOP national convention.

When the counting stopped Saturday night, Buchanan had won 352 of the 1,161 delegates who will go on to district conventions next month where 29 of the state's 36 national delegates will be selected. Dole had 240 and 207 were uncommitted.

Allen Keyes got 85 and Steve Forbes nine. Missouri party officials said it will be next week before it is known how the other 268 delegates lined up.

Buchanan called the Missouri result a "tremendously heartening development" and said, "We hope it's a breakthrough that will get us some attention and revive our momentum."

But Dole was upbeat as he began a long day of campaigning at the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City.

Saying he was looking to win all seven Super Tuesday states, Dole reminded an audience of enthusiastic supporters -- in which dark suits and ties were as prevalent as western garb -- that he was from next-door Kansas.

"I'm your neighbor and treat your neighbors kindly," Dole said.

But he didn't have much kindness for one man at the rally who waved a Marine Corps hat and urged Dole to

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NHS poll doesn't even come close

A *Living Room Times* survey of Newington High School freshmen and seniors didn't get too much right when it came to predicting the results of the Connecticut primary.

Students voted overwhelmingly for "Uncommitted," a ballot choice meaning they had no preference or simply didn't care. On the survey, "Uncommitted" received 42 votes, for 47%. In the real election, the choice got 1,645 votes across the entire state, for about 1.3%.

Even if you throw out all of the uncommitted vote, the poll still wasn't very accurate in predicting last Tuesday's statewide results.

In the poll, Bob Dole got 46% of the non-uncommitted vote, and finished first. In the election, he received a substantially higher percentage—54%—in his win.

Lamar Alexander, who finished fourth statewide, was third in the poll, second if you don't count uncommitted. He received 19% of the non-uncommitted votes. In the election, he got only 5%.

Next in our poll was Pat Buchanan, with 15% of the votes for actual candidates. That was quite accurate—Buchanan finished third with just about 15% statewide.

But in fourth place among non-uncommitted voters in our poll was Steve Forbes, who was second in the real primary. He got 13% of the votes for a candidate, as opposed to 20% statewide.

Also-rans Alan Keyes and Dick Lugar got 6% and 2%, respectively, of the non-uncommitted votes in our poll. They received 2% and 1% statewide.

In addition to voting for candidates for the nomination, students were asked to write any comments they might have, if they wanted to. Here are those comments:

Period 3 (freshmen)—

"Dole is more specific about what he's going to do than any other candidate. Clinton was a bad choice four years ago, and if elected, it will be another bad choice. Also, Dole sounds like he really will do what he says he will do. ELECT PRESIDENT DOLE! DOLE FOR PRESIDENT!" —*male Dole voter*

"If Buchanan is elected president, my family is going to go through the most hell we've ever been through. Down with that anti-semetic SOB." —*male Dole voter*

"I just hope anyone wins the election but President Clinton. He's making our country fall apart." —*female uncommitted voter*

"I think it's a very interesting race this year. Of the five main candidates, it's very close in the primaries." —*female Dole voter*

"I think this year's candidates are all unsatisfactory. I would have preferred someone like Colin Powell." —*female Alexander voter*

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Comments on *LR Times* student poll

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“The president, whoever he is, should do something in this country because we really need help.” —*female uncommitted voter*

“I haven’t been following the primaries. No specific candidate seems to jump out at me.” —*female uncommitted voter*

“I don’t trust Buchanan and Forbes. Forbes appears to be the Republican version of the ‘village idiot’ and Buchanan seems to represent ideas that are anti-American, like racism and no foreign trade.” —*female Dole voter*

“I really don’t care who is president as long as he does something other than sitting on his ass all day long.” —*female uncommitted voter*

Period 4 (seniors):

“In my belief, politics in this day and age are purely decided through the mass media....If Mickey Mouse got enough publicity, then he, too, could be in the Republican Primary. In regard to this, I think that everyone should be treated fairly.” —*male Dole voter*

“More coverage on other people.” —*female Alexander voter*

“Perot is too tyrannical. The US isn’t ready for his ‘leadership,’ which seems more like dictatorship. Thanx, but no thanx. If the Congress was majority Democratic, Clinton would’ve been viewed better. He’s done a lot, considering the ***** (donkeys) we elected to Congress.” —*female uncommitted voter*

“It’s hard to choose a President when you don’t like Clinton and you don’t like what the Republicans stand for.” —*female uncommitted voter*

Period 6 (freshmen):

“I hope Clinton wins — I don’t want any damn Republican in office. I think that cool kid, Bryan Rudolph, should run for President.” —*male uncommitted voter (write-in for Bryan “Rudy” Rudolph)*

“The Republican primary is a travesty. These men would walk over their own mothers to get an extra vote. —Chris Manzione.” —*male Forbes voter (wrote in “Colin Powell, because he isn’t insane”)*

“I hope anyone but Clinton wins.” —*male Buchanan voter*

“ABC — Anybody’s Better than Clinton.” —*male Keyes voter*

“In choosing the candidate that I did, it was based on nothing. I’m not familiar with any of them and sorry to say, not interested (at least at my age) in politics.” —*female Dole voter*

“I think Bob Dole is a great choice. He is everything this wonderful country needs.” —*female Dole voter*

“I think that before we help other countries, we need to resolve our problems first. This way, we can be of an ever greater help to others.” —*female Dole voter*

“Democrats sucks!” —*female uncommitted voter*

“Buchanan sucks! Homosexuals have rights too!” —*female Dole*

voter

“Honestly, I have no clue what’s going on!” —*female Forbes voter*

Period 7 (seniors):

“Too much mudslinging — not enough truth!” —*female uncommitted voter*

“I feel that many of us are not sure and most candidates which would make a qualified President don’t have the money to run a campaign. I become angry at times because soon candidates speak and contradict themselves, change their minds, or will just agree to what gets him another vote.” —*female uncommitted voter*

“High School kids don’t care except for Brendan Loy.” —*male Alexander voter*

“High Schoolers, except Brendan Loy, don’t give a f**k about politics.” —*male uncommitted voter*

“I feel we are choosing the lesser of two evils rather than the best candidate.” —*male Forbes voter*

“The candidates should talk more about the issues and not try to trick voters into voting for them by dodging the real issues that need to be discussed.” —*male uncommitted voter*

“I feel that what this country needs is a big, black WOMAN!” —*female Keyes voter*

Students were also asked if there was any candidate who is not running but who they would rather support for the Republican nomination than the nine candidates in the race. Responses:

Colin Powell	21
Brendan Loy	8
Mickey Mouse	4
Bryan “Rudy” Rudolph (or Brian Rudolph)	2
Katrina Kavapanos	2
Pete Wilson or Colin Powell	1
Dan Quayle	1
Newt Gingrich	1
Colin Powell or Kermit the Frog	1
Rush Limbaugh	1
Mayor Mike Peters	1
Senator Christopher Dodd	1
Hillary R. Clinton	1
Arnold Schwarzenegger	1
Dennis Rodman or Charles Barkley	1
Marel Nasinyk	1
Bart Simpson	1
Minnie Mouse	1
a woman	1

**TOP TEN
SURPRISING
REVELATIONS AT
THE KEVORKIAN
TRIAL**

10. Has a sign over his house that says "over 25 people killed"
9. Sometimes replaces poison in lethal injection with Folger's Crystals
8. His first half dozen patients were only suffering from sprained ankles
7. Is working on "assisted suicide cookbook"
6. Whenever he sees a photo of Keith Richards, has urge to "finish the job"
5. Tried to bribe jury by offering to kill them for free
4. On weekends, suicide machine doubles as lotto ping-pong ball selector
3. Has killed four people using only a John Tesh CD
2. Offered to give the Menendez Brothers a two-for-one special
1. Latest "suicide machine"...a VCR and a stack of Pauly Shore movies

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Tuesday, March 5, 1996
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**LATE SHOW
TOP
TEN**

**TOP TEN THINGS
OVERHEARD AT
THE GRAMMYS**

10. "Coolio's gonna put an eye out with that hair!"
9. "Waiter, there's a nose ring in my soup"
8. "I can't wait to see who wins 'Best Paternity Settlement'"
7. "Courtney Love, please report to Lost and Found to pick up your stash"
6. "Thank God Letterman isn't hosting"
5. "Kiss is here? I thought all those guys were dead"
4. "Uh oh -- they've got Eddie Vedder seated next to the guy from Ticketmaster"
3. "Mr. Jackson, I believe your monkey is in my seat"
2. "I don't care if you are the president of the United States -- get the hell out of my dressing room"
1. "Coolio -- Julio, Julio -- Coolio"

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Campaign '96

**TOP TEN SIGNS
YOU SHOULD
DROP OUT OF
THE RACE**

10. Can't even get to first base with any of the campaign interns
9. In the polls you're running just behind Regis
8. Biggest campaign contribution is half-a-roll of Lifesavers
7. At fundraising dinners, they make you sit at card table with kids
6. Paula Jones says she wouldn't even think of doing it with you
5. Show: "Oprah", Topic: "Incredible Losers", Guest: You
4. You tell people you're running for president, and they say "president of what?"
3. All you feel like doing lately is throwing baseballs at an archery target
2. The only politician who endorses you is Mayor McCheese
1. You nail three hookers on the Capitol steps, and the press just doesn't care

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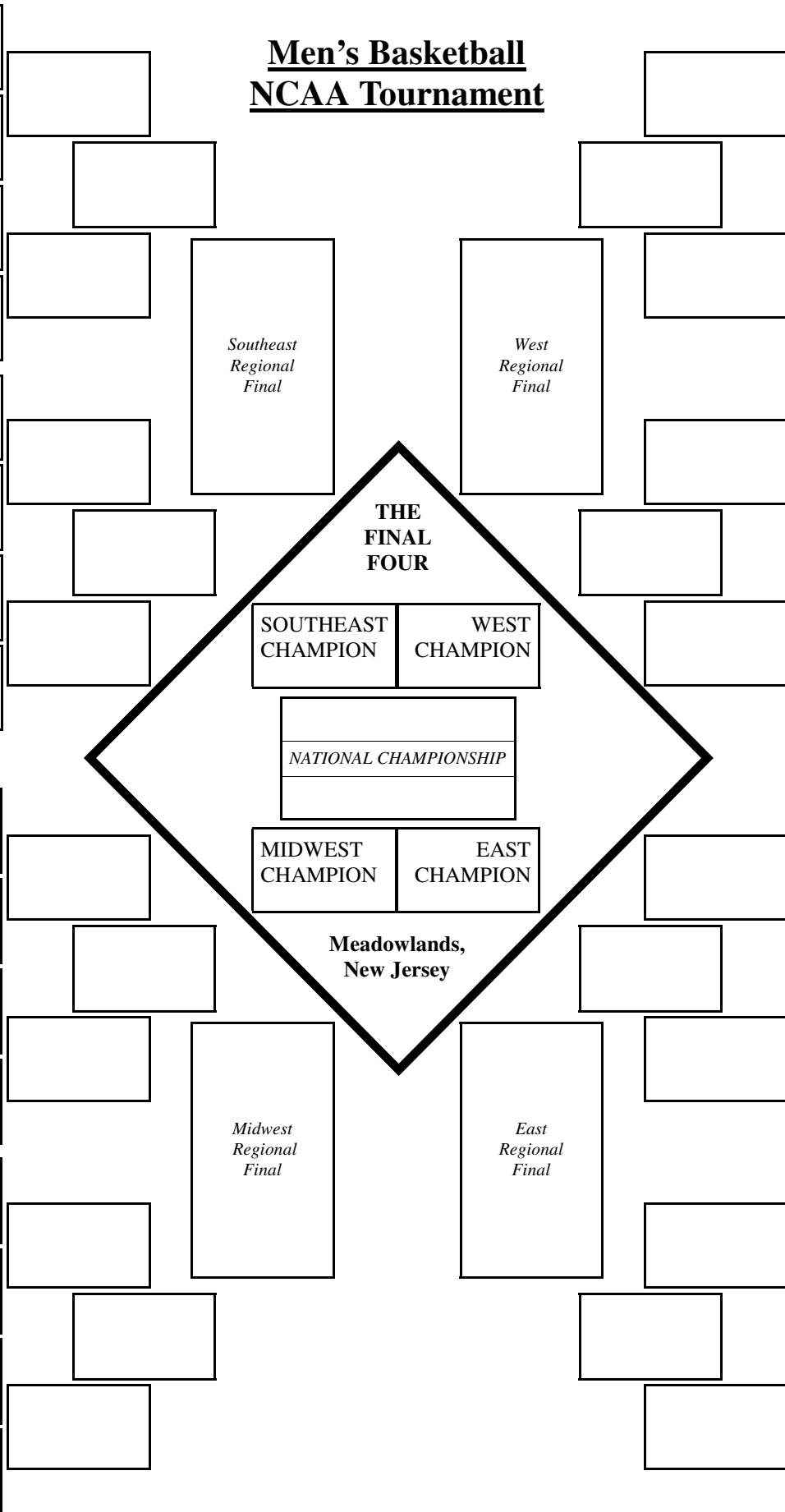
Men's Basketball NCAA Tournament

#1 UConn <i>Thursday</i>
#16 Colgate
#8 Duke <i>Thursday</i>
#9 Eastern Michigan
#4 UCLA <i>Thursday</i>
#13 Princeton
#5 Mississippi State <i>Thursday</i>
#12 Virginia Cmnwlth.
#2 Cincinnati <i>Friday</i>
#15 UNC—Greenboro
#7 Temple <i>Friday</i>
#10 Oklahoma
#3 Georgia Tech <i>Friday</i>
#14 Austin Peay
#6 Indiana <i>Friday</i>
#11 Boston College

#1 Kentucky <i>Thursday</i>
#16 San Jose State
#8 Wisconsin—Green Bay <i>Thursday</i>
#9 Virginia Tech
#4 Utah <i>Thursday</i>
#13 Canisius
#5 Iowa State <i>Thursday</i>
#12 California
#2 Wake Forest <i>Friday</i>
#15 Northeast Louisiana
#7 Michigan <i>Friday</i>
#10 Texas
#3 Villanova <i>Friday</i>
#14 Portland
#6 Louisville <i>Friday</i>
#11 Tulsa

#1 Purdue <i>Thursday</i>
#16 Western Carolina
#8 Georgia <i>Thursday</i>
#9 Clemson
#4 Syracuse <i>Thursday</i>
#13 Montana State
#5 Memphis <i>Thursday</i>
#12 Drexel
#2 Kansas <i>Friday</i>
#15 South Carolina State
#7 Maryland <i>Friday</i>
#10 Santa Clara
#3 Arizona <i>Friday</i>
#14 Valparaiso
#6 Iowa <i>Friday</i>
#11 George Washington

#1 UMass <i>Thursday</i>
#16 Central Florida
#8 Bradley <i>Thursday</i>
#9 Stanford
#4 Marquette <i>Thursday</i>
#13 Monmouth
#5 Penn State <i>Thursday</i>
#12 Arkansas
#2 Georgetown <i>Friday</i>
#15 Mississippi Valley St.
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#10 Kansas State
#3 Texas Tech <i>Friday</i>
#14 North Illinois
#6 North Carolina <i>Friday</i>
#11 New Orleans



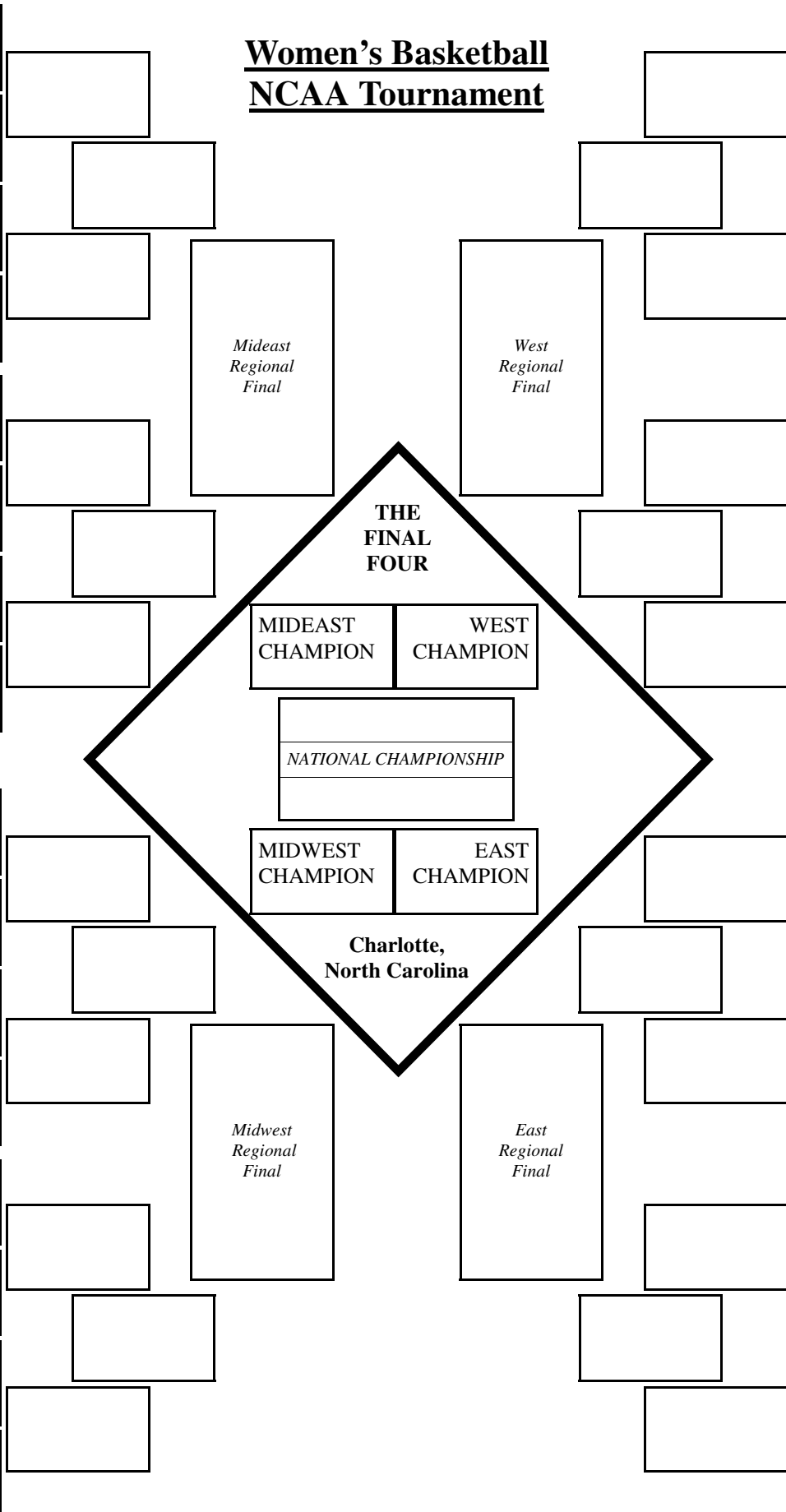
Women's Basketball NCAA Tournament

- #1 UConn
- #16 Howard
- #8 UMass
- #9 Michigan State
- #4 Duke
- #13 James Madison
- #5 Florida
- #12 San Francisco
- #2 Iowa
- #15 Butler
- #7 DePaul
- #10 Southern Methodist
- #3 Vanderbilt
- #14 Harvard
- #6 Wisconsin
- #11 Oregon

- #1 Louisiana Tech
- #16 Central Florida
- #8 Utah
- #9 South Mississippi
- #4 Texas Tech
- #13 Portland
- #5 Purdue
- #12 Notre Dame
- #2 Georgia
- #15 St. Francis (PA)
- #7 Oklahoma State
- #10 Rhode Island
- #3 Clemson
- #14 Austin Peay
- #6 Oregon State
- #11 S.F. Austin

- #1 Stanford
- #16 Grambling State
- #8 Colorado State
- #9 Nebraska
- #4 Alabama
- #13 Appalachian State
- #5 North Carolina State
- #12 Montana
- #2 Penn State
- #15 Youngstown State
- #7 Texas A&M
- #10 Kent
- #3 Colorado
- #14 Tulane
- #6 Auburn
- #11 Hawaii

- #1 Tennessee
- #16 Radford
- #8 Memphis
- #9 Ohio State
- #4 Kansas
- #13 Middle Tennessee
- #5 Texas
- #12 SW Missouri State
- #2 Old Dominion
- #15 Holy Cross
- #7 Mississippi
- #10 Toledo
- #3 Virginia
- #14 Manhattan
- #6 George Washington
- #11 Maine



King, Moore fuel comeback; Allen wins it

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straight title games after winning the first six.

In a game that lived up to advance hype, Georgetown had seemed to take control when Jahidi White's three-point play with 4:46 to go gave the Hoyas a 74-63 lead. Connecticut center Travis Knight fouled out on the play.

That was it for the Hoyas, however, as forward Kirk King took over for the Huskies, a role usually reserved for Allen.

King scored six straight points to make it 74-69 with 2:50 left. Doron Sheffer added two free throws 1:07 later to cut it to 74-71. King then dunked a rebound of a drive by Ricky Moore to make it a one-point game with 1:05 to play.

Georgetown freshman Victor Page, the tournament MVP, missed the front end of a 1-and-1 with 45 seconds to play and Connecticut worked the ball around until Allen's game-winner.

King led the Huskies with 20 points and Allen had 17, 12 in the first half. Moore added 14, all but two in the second half.

Page, who had 34 points against Villanova in the semifinals, finished with 20 points and Iverson and Othella Harrington each had 13. Iverson had just two points in the second half. He sat out 4:44 with four fouls, but the Hoyas actually extended a four-point lead to 67-59 while he was out.

The matchup of the top two seeds didn't affect much of anything as far as the NCAA tournament is concerned but it was revenge for Connecticut, which lost to Georgetown 77-65 during the season to snap a 23-game winning streak.

Connecticut's three-year regular-season title run saw it accumulate a 49-5 record, but this was the first time the Huskies could pull off the double.

The last four Big East tournament champions have failed to advance farther than the second round of the NCAA tournament with last year's champion, Villanova, losing to Old Dominion in triple overtime in the first round.

Dole smells a victory



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"say something about veterans." When the man told Dole he hadn't said enough about veterans issues, Dole shot back, "I've been a veteran a lot longer than you have."

Proving his point, at an airport rally in Tulsa, Dole posed before a World War II vintage B-25 bomber, the type flown in 1944-45 in Italy where Dole was wounded. He said he was better qualified to send U.S. troops to war, if necessary, than President Clinton. "Nobody wants conflict. Nobody wants a war. But sometime it may

happen," he said.

Dole also criticized the Clinton administration for spending \$2.5 billion to prop up the government of former Haitian President Jean-Bertrand Aristide,

"Where's the strong foreign policy leadership, Mr. President," Dole told rally goers. "We've got to stop ... squandering your money in these little games that President Clinton likes to play around the world."

Later, Dole told a rally in Biloxi, Miss., "Our mission is to unify our party, close ranks, and defeat Bill Clinton."

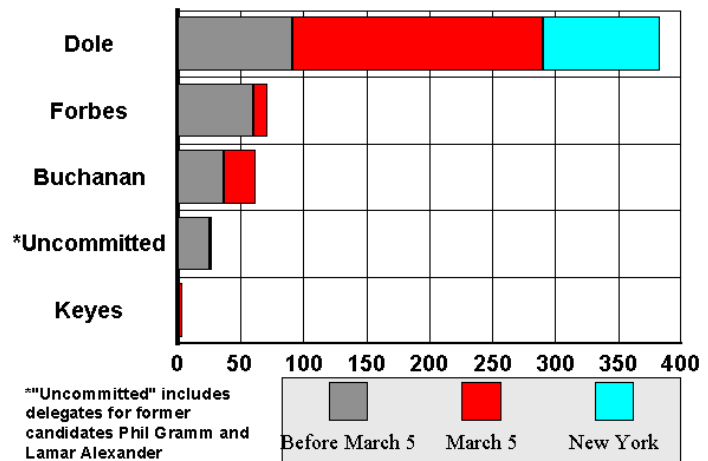
Forbes, whose abortion stance has concerned conservatives, cancelled a scheduled appearance at a Christian Coalition debate in Miami after Buchanan refused to participate. Forbes has said he would like to see abortion "disappear" by changing people's attitudes, not the law.

With his family at his side, Forbes visited Miami's Little Havana and upscale Coconut Grove neighborhoods for some retail

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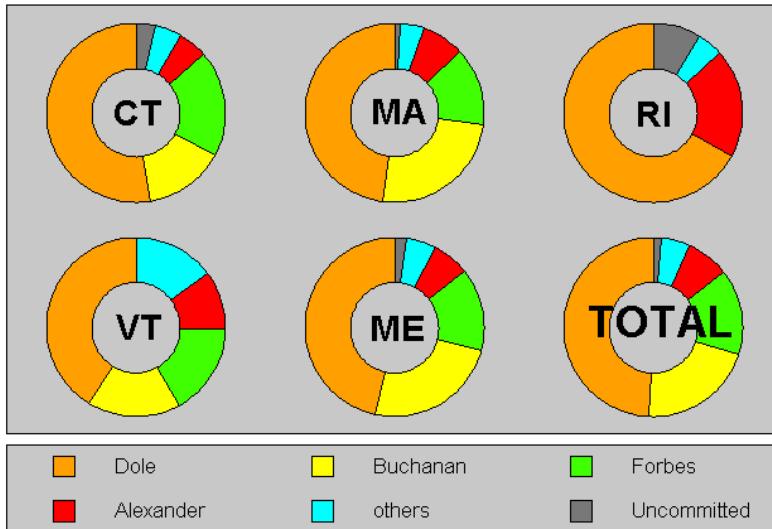
GOP Delegates Won

Living Room Times estimate



Looks like Dole will be the nominee

How New England Voted



influence the Republican Party platform at August's national convention in San Diego.

Dole implored them once more Saturday to get out of his way. "It's down to three of us," he said. "I don't quarrel with the others. But I'm running against Bill Clinton. It's time to get on with it."

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, campaigning on Dole's behalf in Georgia -- where Dole won last week -- also nudged Buchanan toward the door. "I would advise him to drop out now, but it's a free country," he said.

Former Vice President Dan Quayle weighed in, too, suggesting Forbes should quit the race and it was no use to try and get Buchanan to drop out.

In his latest newsletter, Quayle said Forbes, who is promoting a flat tax plan, had "made a positive contribution to the campaign, offering a strong and substantive message. If he stays in much longer, both message and messenger could be hurt."

Responding, Forbes said, "I'm not just concerned about the Republican platform. I'm concerned about getting it across to Republican voters in the rank and file. They will ultimately determine the direction of the party, not party leaders."

At stake in Tuesday's seven-state sweepstakes are 362 delegates, or more than a third of the total needed to secure the GOP nomination.

Dole currently leads the field with 392 delegates, while Forbes is a distant second with 73 and Buchanan has 62.

In a room filled with western art and bronze statues, Dole told a rally, "I smell victory in the air. Tuesday's going to be a great day. And Oklahoma is going to be part of it."

Asked if he thought he could win in all seven Super Tuesday states -- Florida, Texas, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Tennessee and Oregon -- Dole said, "I don't know about that. Dream about it."

Of Buchanan's latest attacks on him, Dole said, "He can say anything he wants...But I don't want to get into a fight with Pat Buchanan. My target is President Clinton and if Buchanan wants to make it easier for Clinton by cutting Bob Dole up, I can't do anything about it."

Nelson Warfield, Dole's press secretary, said even though polls show Dole is strong in both Florida and Texas, "We're not taking anything for granted. We're fighting for every vote."

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politicking instead, looking to gain support for some of Florida's 98 delegates.

Forbes capitalized on an impromptu shopping mall photo op with a parrot to portray Dole as a politician who can't think for himself. When the bird named Mango chomped on Forbes' finger, he held it aloft, quipping, "It's Bob Dole." The parrot squawked and fell.

The publisher also asked Dole to join him for a half-hour call-in show to be broadcast in Florida Sunday night. "I'll even pay his air fare," Forbes said, echoing previous spurned face-to-face challenges to Dole.

Buchanan concentrated on Texas, although the candidate who gets more than 50 percent of the vote takes home all the state's 123 delegates and polls show Dole with enough support to do just that.

"I know it's an uphill battle," Buchanan said of his nomination bid. "Look, I worked for Goldwater. I know what an uphill fight is."

The commentator taunted Dole from afar at every stop, saying he has "no ideas" and calling the front-runner the "fugitive candidate" for refusing to debate his challengers in Dallas on Friday.

Appealing to conservatives, Buchanan railed against abortion and a Michigan jury's decision on Friday to acquit Dr. Jack Kevorkian for assisting in the suicides of two terminally ill people, calling it part of American society's "culture of death." He pledged, for "the rest of my life -- and in San Diego -- I'm going to go out and fight for a culture of life."

Both Buchanan and Forbes, who have refused Dole's appeal to withdraw, appear to be staying in the race to

UConn/UMass? It could happen

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The men's second-round game Saturday may be against #8-seed Duke, the team which knocked them out of the tournament in 1990 and 1991.

"If I'm a Connecticut fan, I'm a little nervous right now," ESPN analyst Dick Vitale said when he saw UConn's pairing. "The way they played, whoa, I don't want no part of Duke...especially in an underdog role. That could be trouble for the Huskies."

In the Sweet Sixteen, UConn's men could play the #4-seed, defending national champion UCLA, who eliminated them last year, or #5 Mississippi State, which stunned Kentucky earlier Sunday. Potential opponents later in the tourney for the men include #2 Cincinnati and #3 Georgia Tech.

Although a UConn/UMass matchup can't happen until the national championship in the men's tourney, it could take place in the second round for the women. If the #8-seed Minutewomen beat #9 Central Florida in the first round, the UConn vs. UMass game would happen (unless, of course, #16 Howard makes history and beats the Lady Huskies).

Other possible regional opponents for the women's team include #2 Iowa, #3 Vanderbilt, #4 Duke, and #5 Florida.