

## THE WORLD SERIES

## Curtis comes through for Yanks

By Ben Walker  
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NEW YORK — One to go.

Chad Curtis hit his second home run leading off the 10th inning and the New York Yankees beat Atlanta 6-5 Tuesday night to move within one victory of another World Series sweep.

Just when everything seemed to be going Atlanta's way in game 3, the Yankees still found a way to win.

Curtis homered in the fifth to begin their comeback from a 5-1 deficit, and homers off Tom Glavine by Tino Martinez and Chuck Knoblauch, the latter off right fielder Brian Jordan's glove in the eighth, tied it.

Then in the 10th, Curtis sent a 1-1 pitch from Mike Remlinger far over the left-field fence for the Yankees' 11th straight World Series victory. It was the first game-ending homer in the Series since Joe Carter's Game 6 shot won it all for Toronto in 1993.

"I have a tendency when I get up there in that situation, I try to hit a home run," Curtis said. "So I went up there and tried to hit it up the middle and I hit a home run."

Curtis made his first ever start in the Series and ended up as the hero.

"Always somebody you don't expect," Atlanta manager Bobby Cox said. "You never know where it's going to come from."

Roger Clemens, who joined the Yankees this spring in hopes of winning his first World Series ring, gets a chance to close it out in game 4 Wednesday night against John Smoltz.

No team in baseball history has overcome an 0-3 deficit in post-season play. The Yankees are trying to win their third World Series in four years, a streak that began when they beat Atlanta in 1996.

Mariano Rivera, Mr. Automat-

ic in October, pitched two innings for the victory. He has not allowed a run in his last 41 2-3 innings, and has a postseason streak of 24 1-3 scoreless innings.

While Atlanta lost its seventh straight Series game, the Yankees moved within one victory of tying the longest winning streak ever. The record was set by their Murderers' Row teams of 1927, 1928 and 1932.

Until the Yankees turned from singles hitters into the Bronx Bombers, Atlanta was in complete control.

"It would have been nice to have won tonight," Cox said. "It would have gotten us going real good. This was a big one to lose tonight."

Glavine, scratched from his game 1 start because of the flu, fortified himself with a plate of ravioli and pitched like a two-time Cy Young Award winner. And Atlanta looked every bit like the team that led the majors with 103 wins.

Bret Boone hit three doubles in the first four innings against Andy Pettitte and every Atlanta batter had a hit by the fifth. By then, it was 5-1 and the sellout crowd of 56,794 was booing the home team.

Boone could be seen huddling in the dugout with batting coach Don Baylor, checking out what appeared to be hitting charts. During Monday's workout, Baylor held an extended session of batting practice and stressed patience at the plate and emphasized hitting to the opposite field.

It all worked in the early going for a team that hit .121 in the first two games.

Then, though, the Yankees flexed their muscles.

Curtis hit the 11th game-ending homer in the Series history, and fifth in extra innings. It also was the Yankees' second such

shot in this postseason — Bernie Williams did it to Boston in game 1 of the AL Championship Series.

The Series win was the 11th in a row for manager Joe Torre, breaking the record set by Joe McCarthy of the Yankees.

New York won in its 200th World Series game — the Yankees are 120-79-1 overall, with the St. Louis Cardinals' total of 96 games ranking second.

Curtis hit New York's first home run of the Series, a solo shot with two outs in the fifth. Martinez made it 5-3 with a solo drive in the seventh, and Glavine dropped his head in disgust.

Joe Girardi opened the eighth with a single and Knoblauch followed with a high drive to right field. Jordan jumped at the wall and the ball bounced out of his glove and into the stands for a tying home run.

"I knew I hit it pretty good," Knoblauch said. "Jordan, who's a great outfielder, jumped and I prayed, 'Come on.' I got a break."

Last October, Knoblauch struck for a tying, three-run homer in the seventh inning of game 1 against San Diego's Donnie Wall.

"We got beat with a pop to right field," Cox said.

Knoblauch's homer brought John Rocker running from the bullpen, and Derek Jeter promptly singled. Paul O'Neill tried to sacrifice, but popped it up and then committed a more costly mistake.

With O'Neill standing at the plate and shaking his head in anger, Atlanta let the ball drop and turned a double play.

Boone became the first player to hit three doubles in a Series game since Junior Gilliam for Brooklyn in 1953. Frank Isbell hit a record four for the Chicago White Sox in 1906.



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## Mountaineer shares his tall tales

■ Jim Whittaker spoke Tuesday about his exciting life as an adventurer and climber

By Inge McMillen  
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Jim Whittaker, the first American to climb Mount Everest, spoke Tuesday to an auditorium filled with University students and interested community members.

"This was a wonderful crowd," Whittaker said after presenting his new book, "Life on the Edge," along with a breath-taking slide show of his mountaineering efforts.

"Standing ovations! I don't get many of those," he said.

Whittaker, a Northwest native and co-founder of Recreation Equipment Inc. — better known as REI — started his climbing career with the Boy Scouts before he began leading expeditions on Mount Rainier in Washington.

He shared his numerous mountaineering experiences with an ecstatic audience that filled Columbia 150.

In 1963, Whittaker became the first American to ascend Mount Everest. In those days, he said, the hike to get to the base of the mountain was 185 miles long and took nearly a month of carrying 14 tons of supplies.

These days, most teams fly into base camp. He was the first American to ascend K2, the second tallest peak in the world, the mountain dividing Pakistan from China. The biggest thrill on K2 is the idea that, without moving, climbers can take a leak in Pakistan and a dump in China, Whittaker said.

His was the first K2 expedition to include female climbers.

In 1990, Whittaker initiated the "Peace Climb" on

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Mount Everest because he wanted to do "something good for the Planet."

A team of American, Chinese and Soviet climbers summited in April, celebrating Earth Day by cleaning up remnants of earlier expeditions on their descent. This expedition put 20 people on the summit, including 15 mountaineers along with a few cooks and organizers.

Whittaker was also the first to climb John F. Kennedy Mountain in Canada, which is more than 14,000 feet tall. Whittaker completed the climb in honor of Kennedy soon after his assassination. Senator Robert Kennedy joined him on that expedition.

"He is a symbol of the American spirit and that you can do everything you put your mind to," junior Ryan Stevens said. "He really showed us what climbing is like."

Other students agreed.

"I think most people are here because [Whittaker] stands for everything we want to achieve," graduate student Heather Baugus said.

Whittaker's presentation is one in the UO Bookstore's series of featured authors this fall, UO Bookstore representative Tom Gerald said.

Byron Ricks is the next scheduled outdoor author. On Nov. 8, he will present "Homeland," his recently published book about kayaking.

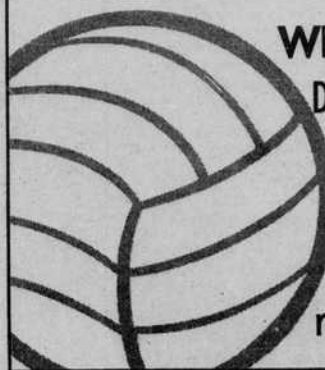
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