Game, Set, Match

Junior Tennis Program introduces kids to the game.



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Sri Chinmoy, ABSsolutely amazing!

65-year-old record breaker celebrates 9 years of "Lifting up the World".



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Reel 2 Real

Duo blurs the boundaries of soul and funk with sunkissed Caribbean melodies.



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Senate OKs Minimum Wage Hike

The Senate has passed a bill to increase the minimum wage 90 cents over the next two years to \$5.15 an hour. The vote follows one earlier today in which lawmakers defeated a Republican amendment that would have exempted small businesses from the wage hike.

Bertha Gathers Strength

Hurricane Bertha has curved slightly to the north, which is good news for the East Coast. With winds of up to 115 mph, the storm battered the Bahamas and parts of the Caribbean.

Perry Blasted By Senators

Defense Secretary William Perry and other top military officials were blasted today by a Senate committee looking into the bombing that killed 19 Americans at a base in Saudi Arabia. The senators accused Perry and Gen. John Shalikashvili, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Gen. Binford Peay, Commander of U.S. Forces in the Gulf, of not doing enough to make U.S. forces safe. Perry suggested better intelligence-gathering to avert terrorist attacks. President Clinton said today he has full confidence in Perry and considers him a good defense secretary.

Lamm Running For President

Former Colorado Governor, Dick Lamm, has entered the presidential race. The three-term Democrat has decided to seek the nomination of Ross Perot's new Reform Party, which picks its candidate in a two-pronged convention next month. Perot is being coy about his plans for running, but has invited others to try. In his announcement today in Denver, Lamm accused the two major parties of failing to address difficult issues and said he would welcome a battle against Perot if the Texas billionaire gets in. Lamm had his biggest national impact in the mid-1980s when he suggested that terminally ill elderly had "a duty to die" rather than hang on by being hooked up to lifesaving machines.

US-China Trips

President Clinton and Chinese President Jiang Zemin may make official state visits to each other's country. A White House spokesman said the visit by National Security Adviser, Anthony Lake, to Beijing this week could set the stage for presidential trips. But the spokesman said the trips probably would not occur this year, which means they would probably be contingent on Clinton being re-elected in November. U.S.-China relations have been touchy recently due to disputes over copyright protection, trade, human rights and Taiwan.

Heat Wave Death Toll

Several straight days of triple-digit heat have been blamed for the deaths of as many as 16 people in northern Texas and Oklahoma. Nine elderly people died in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, where temperatures have been as high as 105. The deaths of at least three, and as many as seven Oklahoma residents, are being blamed on the heat. Most of the victims either had no air conditioning or were too worried about high electricity bills to use them. City officials are urging elderly people to spend the hottest hours of the day at museums, libraries or shopping centers.

\$200,000 Benefits Youth Club



Senator Mark Hatfield (right) was at the Blazers Boys & Girls Club to witness the club's dedication ceremony. Linda White (left) the club Executive Director is jubilant at recieving a \$200,000 gift recieved from National Boys & Girls Clubs of America

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youth Club.

here is no doubt that when Senator Mark Hatfield retires from Congress he intends to follow the foot path of his beloved mentor, late President Herbert Hoover, who was a champion for the Boys & Girls Club of

Already, Hatfield has used his legislative power to butter the bread of the youth clubs. Speaking at the dedication of the Blazer Boys & Girls Club on MLK Blvd, the Senator said he relates to the youth Club because of its

genuine commitment to better the future of the inner-cities' less-privileged kids. "Hoover cares for the kids and that is part of my motivation," Hatfield told a crowd of city bureaucrats, politicians and corporate chieftains who gathered at the neighborhood

Ken O'Neil, of the Club's Board of Directors, says the Club has demonstrated a level of commitment to the community since in-

The Boys & Girls Clubs of America comprises of a national network of 1810 neighborhood-based facilities serving more than 2.4 million young people, primarily from disadvantaged circumstances.

The clubs provide guidance-oriented character development programs on a daily basis for children 6-18 years old. The programs emphasize educational achievement, career exploration, drug and alcohol avoidance, health and fitness, gang and violence prevention, cultural enrichment, leadership development and community service.

The youth club also provides vital services to local clubs in program research and development, personnel recruitment and training, facility design, construction and safety, fundraising, marketing and communications. evaluation of club effectiveness against national standards, consultation with community leaders interested in establishing new clubs, and addressing legislative and public

policy issues affecting young people.

Every Local Boys & Girls Club is a private, non-profit agency with policy set by a volunteer board comprised of local residents.

Each club is managed by a full-time executive director, assisted by full-time career professionals, part-time assistants and program volunteers. It offers daily programs promoting the health, social, educational, vocational and character development of youth ages 6-18.

It also seeks to impact young lives by building self-esteem and encouraging the development of values and skills during critical periods of childhood growth.

In recent years, Boys & Girls Clubs of America has experienced dramatic growth, opening more than 900 new club locations since 1987. Many factors have contributed to B&GCA's successful outreach effort, among them strong partnerships with committed corporations and foundations that provide invaluable support, and help raise funds and

awareness on behalf of Boys & Girls Clubs of America and local clubs.

The clubs' efficient use of financial resources has won national recognition. A survey, measuring private support, reported gifts to the national organization and local Boys & Girls totaling more than \$286 million in

The Boys & Girls Clubs of America's tradition of service to our nation's youth began in 1860, when the first Boys Club was established in Hartford, Connecticut.

The national organization, originally named Federated Boys Clubs and later Boys Clubs of America, was founded in 1906 by the 53 local clubs in existence at that time.

The purpose was to provide leadership and programs for its member clubs, while helping to establish new clubs in disadvantaged communities.

The Blazers' Club received a \$200,000 donation from its parent body during the dedication ceremony

Actress Margaux Hemingway Passes Away At 41

n the eve of a tragic family anniversary, actress-model Margaux Hemingway, a granddaughter of legendary novelist Ernest Hemingway, was found dead in her home, apparently of natural causes, officials said Tuesday.

The badly decomposed body of the 41year-old Hemingway was discovered on Monday in her modest studio apartment near the beach, said Santa Monica Police Spokesman Gary Gallinot.

The coroner's office determined that Hemingway died from apparent natural causes," most likely related to her history of epilepsy, "but a full autopsy will be needed before any fina! conclusions can be made," said spokesman Fred Corral.

Authorities said there were no signs of forced entry or foul play. "We have also eliminated suicide as a cause," Corral said in releasing the coroner's preliminary findings.

Hemingway's friends became worried earlier on Monday when they hadn't heard from her in days, and that led to the discovery of her body. It was "very decomposed" from the heat, and investigators relied on dental records to make an identification, Gallinot

Hemingway, the older sister of 34-yearold actress Mariel Hemingway, had wellpublicized battles against alcoholism and eating disorders. Friends said she had recently become depressed about her prospects for reviving her career.

She was the daughter of Ernest

Hemingway's first son Jack, and her death comes almost 35 years to the day her Nobel Prize-winning grandfather was found dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head.

His wife said he accidentally killed himself while cleaning his shotgun in his Ketchum, Idaho, home on July 2, 1961, but some friends said he had been despondent and likely committed suicide.

Margaux Hemingway's death continues a grim family legacy. Her famous grandfather author of such classics as "For Whom the Bell Tolls" and "A Farewell to Arms" battled depression, alcoholism and nervous breakdown. His own father died by suicide.

A neighbor, Peter Osterlund, said he had seen the statuesque actress-model on the street the previous Saturday night and "it looked like she was disturbed."

David Mirisch, Hemingway's agent-manager, said his wife, a close friend of his client, told him she had been crying a lot lately.

Friends had not seen her since Friday. They went to her building and had a laborer climb a ladder onto her second-floor balcony. She was found dead inside. Hemingway had only recently moved to the apartment a block from the beach.

The 6-foot-tall Hemingway became one of the nation's top super-models in the 1970s, promoting a line of fragrances made by Faberge.

She made her Hollywood debut with her younger sister, Mariel, in the 1976 movie "Lipstick."

ACETAMINOPHEN CAN BE HARMFUL FOR KIDS

lowly, surely and with loving care, the mother of 14-monthold Sophie unknowingly poisoned her precocious blond toddler, destroying the child's liver and leaving her on the brink of death.

Not with arsenic or cyanide or exotic drugs-but with an unintended overdose of grape-flavored infant Tylenol, sold over-thecounter as a safe alternative to aspirin and other pain-relievers.

In September 1994, Sophie's mother, Deborah Regosin-Hodges, watched in growing alarm as her lively daughter turned pale, listless, diarrheic, and finally glassy-eyed

and unresponsive while taking Tylenol for a

"It's your worst nightmare," the mother recalls. "I'm her mother and I was killing

Sophie survived, thanks to an emergency partial liver transplant from her father performed at the nearby University of California-San Francisco. But she must take antirejection drugs that can cause lymphoma, and her parents now worry about every sneeze

Some children who took acetaminophen, the active ingredient in Tylenol, Anacin 3, and many other remedies, weren't so lucky.

Lacy Keele, a 5-year-old award-winning baton twirler from Florien, La., died of an overdose of acetaminophen that shut down her liver after her mother substituted Extra-Strength Tylenol for regular Tylenol to treat a Christmastime cold.

"I think people get a false sense of security that if you can buy it over-the-counter, it's safe," says Dr. Marvin Limpman of Consumers Union, which advocates better labeling.

No one is certain how many other Lacys and Sophies there are. At least 33 children below the age of 13 died of acetaminophen poisoning between 1970 and 1991, according to a Food and Drug Administration re-

port, and 152 others suffered serious consequences ranging from hospitalization to permanent disability.

The latest figures available from the American Association of Poison Control Centers show 71 serious acetaminophen poisoning cases among children in 1994, with lifethreatening or long-term complications in 10 of them. There were no deaths reported that

Acetaminophen products are "exceedingly safe," if taken as directed, says Rose Ann Soloway of the Poison Control Centers.

But critics say acetaminophen's danger lies in its small margin for error.

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