## NBA-Bulls' coach Phil Jackson departs



Chicago Bulls' coach Phil Jackson reiterated last Monday, he was quitting the sixtime NBA champions and suggested in a press report that superstar Michael Jordan could put a magical cap

to his career by retiring.

"It's time to go. I've been pushing at this horn a little bit for the last couple of years about leaving and about being ready to leave, and it's my time to go. It's the right time

for me," Jackson told reporters before leaving the team's suburban practice facility.

Jackson told Newsweek he had turned down an offer from Bulls' owner Jerry Reinsdorf to remain the team's coach, saying he wanted "to enjoy some different things.'

Jackson, referred to as the "Zen-master" by his players, also told the magazine that Jordan could put a "magical ending" to his storied career by retiring.

Jordan, 35, has said he would not play for another coach, though he has also hinted he might return for another season or two but would make that decision at the end of the summer.

A week ago, the Bulls captured their sixth championship in the last eight seasons with a 4-2 Finals series victory over the Utah Jazz. Jackson guided the Bulls, featuring Jordan and free-agent sidekick Scottie Pippen, to all six NBA crowns.

# Last Chance To Get A Life Foundation

BY THAD SPENCER

I am writing to invite and ask for your help by participating in a noble venture. After seven long years of correspondence, both written and verbal, conferences and at times pleading. I am about to realize my dream of bringing boxing back to the youth of our nation. I have founded a youth rehabilitation organization whose dynamics are the sport of boxing, with a char-

acter and life skills development and training program.

I have opened the doors to the "Last Chance to get a Life Foundation, "aimed at helping troubled, disadvantaged youth, who have fallen to crime and corruption, landing them in the juvenile detention system. The Foundation works with the court system by offering youth a choice of detention or participation in my program.

Decades ago, organizations similar to our sponsored boxing gyms and tournaments that gave order and purpose to wayward lives producing many boxing legends and champions, such as Sugar Ray Robinson, George Foreman, Jake La Motta, Rocky Marciano, Mike Tyson, Muhammed Ali. Our facility in Las Vegas is the only juvenile hall affiliated with the sport of kings.

The boxing community at large has endured a fervent campaign to ban the sport of boxing in America by phasing it out. This "inquisition"

was fueled by ignorance, bigotry and enmity. When gyms and scholarships were taken away, many young amateur boxing programs throughout the land were forced to shut down. This forced a lot of kids into the streets, thus, plunging them into a life of crime, as gang affiliations were their new "families." Escalation of crime and illiteracy per-

meated the land. But through it all,

dation is a non-profit organization. I am asking you for your support to help us secure the future of these young lives, as well as support the art of boxing. We need a boxing gym in the Concordia neighborhood. We have the moral and legisla-

tive support of the Don Long juvenile center, because our primary objective is to save our children. We will instill discipline and build char-

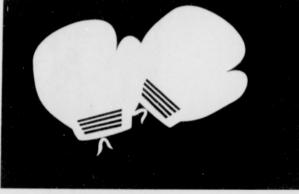
acter in these kids by showing them that there are other avenues available to them other than those roads that lead to incarceration and death. Who knows, some may emerge as champions of the world.

Thank you for your time and attention to this worthy cause. We pray for your participation and support in any way you

can. The struggle continues, and we know that you are busy, we'd love to see you at this most worthy event. Our goal is to build boxing centers all over the country, and see them rise again in every juvenile hall in America.

Tickets are available at the door. Ringside seat reservations are available in advance by calling Multnomah Greyhound Park. Tickets are \$15 for ringside and \$10 for general admission.

You can sponsor 10 kids for \$100. These sponsorships are needed and your help is appreciated.



boxing remains the ultimate test of

athletic progress, skill, speed, power

endurance, courage and the will to

win. Boxing events capture the raw,

I need you to show your support

by your attendance at a amateur

boxing match, fund raiser, whose

theme is to honor the boxer's of

teur boxing event is Saturday, June

27th, from 2 PM to 5 PM at Mult-

nomah Greyhound Park. We will

have at least 7 matches and live

music and entertainment. The foun-

The date of our fund-raiser ama-

pure nature of competition.

## **PGA Tour Winners** }

Jan. 3-4 - x-Andersen Consulting World Championship (Colin Montgomerie) Jan. 8-11 - Mercedes Championships (Phil Mickelson) Jan. 14-18 - Bob Hope Chrysler Classic (Fred Couples) Jan. 22-25 - Phoenix Open (Jesper Parnevik) Jan. 29-1 - AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am (final round Aug. 17) Feb. 5-8 - Buick Invitational (Scott Simpson) Feb. 12-15 - United Airlines Hawaiian Open (John Huston) Feb. 19-22 - Tucson Chrysler Classic (David Duval) Feb. 26-1 - Nissan Open (Billy Mayfair) March 5-8 - Doral-Ryder Open (Michael Bradley) March 12-15 - Honda Classic (Mark Calcavecchia)

March 19-22 - Bay Hill Invitational (Ernie Els) March 26-29 - The Players Championship (Justin Leonard) April 2-5 - Freeport-McDermott Classic (Lee Westwood) April 9-12 - Masters (Mark O'Meara) April 16-19 - MCI Classic (Davis Love III) April 23-26 - Greater Greensboro Chrysler Classic (Trevor Dodds) April 30-May 3 - Shell Houston Open (David Duval) May 7-10 - BellSouth Classic (Tiger Woods)

May 14-17 - GTE Byron Nelson Classic (John Cook) May 21-24 - MasterCard Colonial (Tom Watson) May 28-31 - Memorial Tournament (Fred Couples) June 4-7 - Kemper Open (Stuart Appleby) June 11-14 - Buick Classic (J.P. Haves) June 18-21 - U.S. Open (Lee Janzen)

June 25-28 - Motorola Western Open, Cog Hill Golf & C.C., Lemont, Ill. July 2-5 - Canon Greater Hartford Open, TPC at River Highlands, Cromwell, Conn. July 9-12 - Quad City Classic, Oakwood C.C., Coal Valley, Ill. July 16-19 - British Open, Royal Birkdale G.C., Southport, England July 16-19 - Deposit Guaranty Classic, Annandale G.C., Madison, Miss. July 23-26 - CVS Charity Classic, Pleasant Valley C.C., Sutton, Mass. July 30-Aug. 2 - FedEx St. Jude Classic, TPC at Southwind, Memphis, Tenn.

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## **Golf-Leading world rankings** after U.S. Open

Tiger Woods extended his lead at the top of the world rankings to more than a full point with his joint 18th place finish in the U.S. Open on Sunday.

Ernie Els remained in second place but dropped back by finishing joint 49th in an event he won last year.

Lee Janzen, the champion on Sunday, advanced 20 places from 42nd to 22nd place while runner-up Payne Stewart moved up from 40th to 27th.

Top 20 (U.S. unless stated): 1. Tiger Woods 11.56 points average

- 2. Ernie Els (South Africa)
- 3. Davis Love 10.25
- 9.49 4. Greg Norman (Australia)
- 5. David Duval 9.21
- 6. Colin Montgomerie (Britain) 9.16
- 7. Justin Leonard 8.29
- 8. Nick Price (Zimbabwe) 7.92
- 9. Fred Couples 7.86 10. Mark O'Meara

7.75 11. Phil Mickelson 7.69 12. Lee Westwood (Britain) 7.63 13. Tom Lehman

7.28 14. Masashi Ozaki (Japan) 6.77 15. Jim Furyk

6.27 16. Vijay Singh (Fiji) 5.84 17. Scott Hoch 5.78 18. Tom Watson

5.70 19. Mark Calcavecchia.

5.63 20. Jesper Parnevik (Sweden) 5.61

### **Stuart Scott Re-Signs With** ESPN-SportsCenter anchor signs multi-year deal

Scott has re-signed with ESPN, it was announced by Vince Doria, ESPN assistant managing editor, news director. Scott, who joined ESPN in August 1993 as an original ESPN2 anchor, will continue to co-host the 2:00 am ET edition of the show.

"Stuart has made his own distinctive mark on the sports world," said Doria. "His unique style, creativity and perspective have resonated with a lot of people. Stuart's contributions have added to the tremendous growth in popularity of Sports Center."

Scott, 32, has become widely recognized for his smooth delivery, hip-hop style and unique perspective. His trademark phrases "BOO-YA!" (after a monster jam or homerun), "Can I get a witness from the congregation" (after a spectacular play) or "Cool as the other side of the



Sports Center anchor Stuart Scott alongside partner Rich

pillow" (cool under pressure), have become part of the sports lexicon.

A Chicago native, Scott graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1987. He is married and has one child.

#### Tuesday's **Sports Scoreboard**

All Times Eastern

San Diego at Seattle, 6:35 p.m Florida at Tampa Bay, 7:05 p.m Montreal at Toronto, 7:05 p.m Philadelphia at Boston, 7:05 p.m Atlanta at N.Y. Yankees, 7:35 p.m N.Y. Mets at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m. Arizona at Texas, 8:35 p.m. Los Angeles at Anaheim, 10:05 p.m. San Francisco at Oakland, 10:05

National League Kansas City 6, Cincinnati 4 Houston 9 Minnesota 0 -6 Milwaukee 7 Colorado 3 Cleveland 3 Chicago Cubs 1 -5 Chicago White Sox at Pittsburgh 2:05 p.m. Detroit at St. Louis, 8:10

WNBA Basketball Cleveland at New York, 7:30 m. Sacramento at Detroit, 7:30

Major League Soccer No games today. World Cup Soccer Chile 1, Cameroon 1

Austria 1 F Brazil 0 Norway 0

1 Morocco 1 Scotland 0

#### Portland Portland Portland **Amateur Amateur Amateur Boxing Boxing Boxing Boxing**



The 1998 Portland Amateur Boxing Saturday June 27th, 1998 from 2-5 PM. Multnomah Greyhound Park NE 223rd Fairview.



The 1998 Last Chance To Get A Life Search For Miss Ringside Continues...

Balzers Bar & Grill June 22nd at 10 PM!!! The Miss Ringsider contestant winner will become "The 1998 Portland Amateur Boxing Miss Ringsider"

Last Chance To Get A Life Portland Amateur Boxing Seat Information Call: 284-0675 or 527-7204. Musical Guest Kirk Green to star in event!!!