



Prep football

Locals gear up for Shrine game

By BRETT KANE
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Three local athletes will represent their schools at the 66th annual East-West Shrine All-Star Football Game this Saturday in Baker City.

Brett Speed, quarterback for the



Weinke



Steagall



Speed

Weston-McEwen Tiger-Scots, Wyatt Steagall, offensive back for the Hep-pner Mustangs, and Chris Weinke, receiver for the Pilot Rock Rockets, have been selected by their coaches and athletic board members to represent their schools due to their excellence in performance, work ethic and leadership. Each player is a newly graduated high school senior from the 1A to 4A classifications.

The game, which is every first Saturday in August, benefits the Shriners Hospital for Children in Portland. The game is the biggest fundraiser in support of the hospital.

Last weekend, players toured the hospital to get a glimpse of the facility and who they're playing for. They were shown the medical procedures that the children go through on a daily basis and given a tour of the building.

"It was quite amazing," said Steagall, 18, who played for Hep-pner's varsity team during his junior and senior years. "The doctors really displayed a great deal of passion and hard work making those kids' lives normal again."

The Shriners Game slogan is "Strong Legs Run So Weak Legs May Walk." Auctions in support of the hospital will take place throughout Saturday afternoon. A parade will start 11 a.m., and the kickoff is at 7 p.m. at Baker High School.

The game will also be televised afterwards on ROOT Sports Network. Broadcast schedules can be found on the East-West Shriners website.

"I have to admit, I'm a little nervous," Steagall said. He finished off last season with 53 tackles, 20 tackles-for-losses, and 12 sacks. He was also on the first team in the all-Columbia Basin Conference. "I hope to see both sides grow as a team, play hard, and realize the value and great honor we can all take from this experience. I'm proud to represent my home town, my community, and my coaches and teammates."

Beau Wolters, defensive back for Heppner, and Justin Keeney, defensive back for Stanfield, were selected as alternates for the game.

Sports shorts

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MARINERS BASEBALL



AP Photo/Elaine Thompson

Seattle Mariners' Dee Gordon looks up after being picked off by the Houston Astros at first base during the third inning.

Mariners come up short

New acquire Duke gives up late HR

By TIM BOOTH
AP Sports Writer

SEATTLE — Evan Gattis hit a two-run home run to put Houston ahead, Josh Reddick capped it with a two-run shot in the ninth inning, and the Astros snapped a five-game losing streak with a 5-2 win over the Seattle Mariners on Tuesday night.

Gattis' 21st home run of the season came in the sixth off Seattle starter Mike Leake and snapped a 1-1 tie. Leake left a breaking ball in the middle of the plate and Gattis clubbed it over the left field fence to put the Astros in front.

Reddick greeted new Seattle reliever Zach Duke with a shot to deep right-center field in the ninth. It was the first home run allowed this season by Duke, who was acquired in a trade with Minnesota.

Charlie Morton (12-2) struck out eight and didn't allow Seattle to put together a sustained rally in earning his 12th victory. Seattle's offense was limited to Jean Segura's solo home run and Mitch Haniger's RBI single. Morton was pulled after the sixth, despite giving up just two runs and throwing 90 pitches. The sixth inning was the only time Seattle had multiple runners on base and Morton got out of the jam after Haniger's single by getting Chris Hermann to ground out with two runners on.

Hector Rondon pitched the ninth for his 10th save.

Leake (8-7) escaped a



AP Photo/Mike Carlson

Seattle Mariners traded for Marlins' Cameron Maybin.

Mariners make outfield upgrade getting Maybin from Marlins

SEATTLE (AP) — Jerry Dipoto thought he was done making deals a day before the non-waiver trade deadline after remodeling the Seattle Mariners bullpen.

The Mariners' ever-active baseball boss just couldn't help himself when an outfield upgrade became available.

Seattle acquired outfielder Cameron Maybin from the Miami Marlins on Tuesday, giving the Mariners a boost going into the final two months of the regular season. Seattle landed Maybin in exchange for minor league infielder Bryson Brigrman and international bonus pool allotment.

Dipoto said he first had discussions with the Marlins about Maybin about two weeks ago, but it took the non-waiver trade deadline to get a deal finalized.

"He fits into the theme of what we're doing and adds better balance to our club. And the experience of a guy who has been through it as long as Cam

has doesn't hurt," Dipoto said.

Center field was the one obvious position where Seattle could use an upgrade. Since moving Dee Gordon to second base, Guillermo Heredia has seen the majority of the time in center. And while Heredia is outstanding defensively, his bat hasn't provided much to Seattle's lineup. Heredia is hitting .229 with a .314 on-base percentage and 22 runs scored. Heredia was batting .302 on May 29, but his average has taken a nosedive. In the past 51 games played, Heredia is hitting just .184. Maybin has been the opposite offensively. Maybin is batting .251 with three homers and 20 RBIs in 99 games this season, but he's batting .329 with a .912 OPS since June 29. The Mariners are the seventh team for the 12-year veteran, who has a \$3.25 million, one-year contract. Maybin also has postseason experience, playing in the World Series last year with Houston.

bases loaded jam in the fourth inning, but couldn't avoid giving up a run in the fifth. Leake left a 0-2 pitch to Reddick in the middle of the plate and his two-out single scored Tony Kemp. Gattis added his homer an inning later.

Leake allowed eight hits and struck out four. He allowed three earned runs or more for just the fourth time in his past 13 starts.

Segura's homer was his eighth of the season and Haniger was in a 2-for-26 skid before his RBI single.

INJURY CONCERN

As if the Astros needed more injury concerns, outfielder George Springer left the game in the second inning with left shoulder soreness. Springer fell awkwardly on the shoulder making a diving attempt to stop Denard Span's triple in the first inning. He was replaced by Kyle Tucker.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Mariners: LHP Roneis Elias was placed on the 10-day DL with a strained left triceps. Manager Scott Servais said Elias felt the arm start to bother him last weekend in Anaheim and an MRI revealed the strain.

UP NEXT

Astros: Dallas Keuchel (8-9) has gone 5-1 with a 2.16 ERA over his past eight starts. He had won five straight before losing to Texas in his last start.

Mariners: Wade LeBlanc (6-1) looks to continue his career-best season. LeBlanc got a no decision in his last start against the Angels. He's made one start this season against the Astros, allowing three runs in four innings in a no decision in June.

Trade tornado reshuffles races on deadline day

By BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer

For Brian Dozier, getting traded meant a dash to the airport and a long trip to Dodger Stadium. For Jake Diekmann, it was a lot easier — he simply

rode the bullpen cart from one clubhouse to the other at Chase Field.

Chris Archer, Jonathan Schoop and a bunch of relievers moved on deadline day, a flurry of 15 swaps Tuesday before time ran out to make deals with-

out waivers.

The trade market kept spinning at a dizzying pace. Every team except San Francisco made at least one deal since the All-Star Game, with Tampa Bay swinging seven.

Archer, a two-time All-Star,

hugged teammates at Tropicana Field before heading to Pittsburgh. He is 3-5 with a 4.31 ERA in 17 starts this season, and joins a Pirates club that has pushed back into the play-

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NBA strikes deal with MGM Resorts

NEW YORK (AP) — The NBA and WNBA will now share official data with MGM Resorts International, a major win for the leagues as they prepare for the anticipated growth of sports betting across the country.

The Las Vegas-based casino giant will pay the NBA for that data to use in determining outcomes of various bets. The NBA's stance has been that getting accurate stats to bettors

is critical so players know what they're betting on and so casinos will know when to pay out, and MGM Resorts is the first casino to make an arrangement with the league for those numbers.

Terms of the deal announced Tuesday were not disclosed, other than it's a multiyear arrangement.

"I know the value of data," MGM chairman and CEO James Murren said.



NBA commissioner Adam Silver

THIS DATE IN SPORTS

- 1936 — The Berlin Olympics begin, with Adolf Hitler presiding over the opening ceremony.
- 1945 — New York's Mel Ott hits his 500th home run. Only Babe Ruth with 714 and Jimmie Foxx with 527 have more.
- 1972 — Nate Colbert of the San Diego Padres drives in 13 runs in a doubleheader.
- 1994 — Baltimore's Cal Ripken becomes the second major leaguer to play 2,000 straight games.