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Veteran cornerback signs with Cheifs

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Defensive back Jason Belser, a free agent who spent the last nine seasons with Indianapolis, has agreed to a two-year contract with the Kansas City Chiefs, the team announced Monday.

Belser's father, Ceasar, was a defensive back with the Chiefs from 1968 to 1971. The younger Belser starred at Raytown South High School in suburban Kansas City and then played at Oklahoma, where he became the second defensive back in school history to exceed 200 tackles.

Indianapolis took him in the eighth round of the 1992 draft.

He started two games as a rookie and has been a starter for the Colts ever since. He's made 979 tackles and intercepted 13 passes, returning three for touchdowns. He also has nine quarterback sacks, five of them last sea-

Broncos continue off-season spending

DENVER (AP) — The Denver Broncos on Monday signed free agent defensive tackle Cyron Brown, wide receiver Keith Poole and center Jay Leeuwenburg, and waived cornerback Cordell Tay-

Brown played with the Broncos from 1998-99, appearing in 11 games and recording 10 tackles. He earned a Super Bowl ring as a backup with the Broncos in 1998.

Poole is entering his fifth NFL season. He spent his first four seasons with New Orleans, catching 91 passes for 1,696 yards and 10 touchdowns.

Last year, he caught 21 passes for 293 yards.

Leeuwenburg is entering his 10th NFL season. He played for the Washington Redskins in 2000, starting 12 games. He also has played for the Chicago Bears, Indianapolis Colts and Cincinnati Bengals.

Basketball star wins award

son scoring record and helped the Lady maybe I didn't handle some things the Bears reach the Final Four, won the Broderick Cup as the nation's out- it's all been worth it and I wouldn't standing collegiate woman athlete.

The award was presented Monday of the Year dinner and was based on voting by more than 900 NCAA schools.

Stiles, who now plays for the WNBA's Portland Fire, scored 30 points against Creighton on March 1 to become the leading scorer in NCAA women's basketball history with 3,398

'I am truly in a state of shock that you would honor me with this prestigious

right way, and things were tough. But trade anything."

The 5-foot-8 senior guard from night at the Collegiate Woman Athlete Clafin, Kan., scored 40 points or more in six games this season, including a game-high 49. She shot 56.6 percent from the field, with 60 assists and 40 steals.

Stiles won over 11 other candidates, who were voted best in their sports this season: Jen Adams, lacrosse, Maryland; Mohini Bhardwaj, gymnastics, UCLA; Greichaly Cepero, volleyball, Nebraska; Marina DiGiacomo, field hockey, Old Dominion; Jennie Finch,

SALTLAKE CITY (AP) — Basket- award," she said. "This is definitely a softball, Arizona; Meredith Florance, ball star Jackie Stiles of Southwest night I will never forget. There were soccer, North Carolina; Laura Missouri State, who set an NCAA seatimes when it wasn't easy and I thought Granville, tennis, Stanford; Kara Grgas-Wheeler, cross country, Colorado; Candy Hannemann, golf, Duke; Misty Hyman, swimming and diving, Stanford; and Brenda Taylor, track & field, Harvard.

Also during the program, a special award went to track star Jackie Joyner-Kersee as the top woman collegiate athlete of the last 25 years.

The Inspiration Award was presented to Kendra Berner of Davidson College, who, despite a congenital deformation of her right hand, swam her team's fastest time this season and the second-fastest in school history (24.86 seconds) for the 50 freestyle at the Colonial Athletic Championships.

No Royal will be untouchable

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)—As the the boss has a warning for everybody in uniform.

Nobody is sacred.

For the right price, anybody can be

"We're open to almost anything," said general manager Allard Baird. "As far as untouchables on this ballclub, I don't think there are any."

Baird will be easy to find for any major league club that thinks the Royals might have that one key player who two of three to Arizona over the weekcould put them over the top.

"As we get further along and con- 12-5, complete embarrassments. Kansas City Royals sink deeper and tinue to struggle, we're going to be deeper into a catastrophe of a season, more aggressive. I'm constantly talking with clubs," Baird said. "I talked with five clubs today and I plan to talk to a few clubs tonight."

> While Baird visits with rival front executives, it'll be a somber, down-inthe-mouth Kansas City team the St. Louis Cardinals confront Tuesday night at the beginning of their interleague series.

They're not just getting beaten. They're getting clobbered. In losing end, the Royals got shelled 11-4 and ish the season on a 65-35 tear

They lead the major leagues in home runs allowed. Their bullpen has the league's worst ERA.

To paraphrase former Vice President Al Gore, everything that's supposed to be up is down and everything that's supposed to be down is up.

A team whose owner, David Glass, said he expected an additional 10 victories over last season now stands at 22-40 — the team's worst record through 62 games in franchise history.

In order to meet Glass' goal of 87 victories, the Royals would need to fin-

Driver's autopsy photos being held

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — After being rebuffed in their first at- a student newspaper at the University tempt to access racing legend Dale Earnhardt's autopsy photos, a college newspaper and Web site must now convince a court of the need to unseal

Circuit Judge Joseph Will on Monday upheld the constitutionality of a new law forbidding the release of postmortem photos unless allowed by a Uribe said he wants to view the photos judge. Florida lawmakers passed the to prove the Volusia County medical legislation after Earnhardt's Feb. 18 death in a last-lap crash in the Daytona Earnhardt's autopsy.

The Independent Florida Alligator, medical examiner's practices with reof Florida, and Websitecity.com, a Web site, planned to head back to court Tuesday to argue the law violates the state's public-records statutes.

The law "places the burden of proof on us," said Trey Csar, incoming managing editor of the student newspaper.

Websitecity.com owner Michael examiner's office did a poor job of

"There's a question concerning the

spect to the quality of the photographs," Uribe said. "Are they botching medical exams because they don't have the right equipment?"

Will ordered the photos sealed four days after Earnhardt's death. Teresa Earnhardt, his widow, sought the order saying her family's privacy would be violated.

The new law forbids copying or inspecting autopsy photos and records. Breaking the law would be a third-deof five years in jail and a \$5,000 fine.

This is how you do it...



Ty See and Marc Welsh discuss the techniques of pole vault Friday at Sharon Springs. See and Welsh were instructors at a pole vault camp held last Thursday through Saturday. The camp was put on by Darrel Welsh and included See, who holds the school record, Marc Welsh, who vaulted for Dodge City Community College, and Keara Welsh, a vaulter for Kansas State's Big XII championship team. Photo by Lester Bolen/The Goodland Daily News

Cardinals slugger will play Royals

doesn't like to be designated hitter, but he'll probably do it this week as the St. Louis Cardinals visit the Kansas City

gree felony with a maximum sentence McGwire into his office Sunday after more at-bats. In 111 career at-bats at the 12-3 loss to the Colorado Rockies DH, McGwire has a .180 average.

Sunday's Games

Chicago White Sox 3, Chicago Cubs 1

Florida 7, Toronto 2

Boston 5, Philadelphia 4

Cincinnati 9, Cleveland 3

Baltimore 3, Montreal 2

N.Y. Mets 10, Tampa Bay 0

Pittsburgh 11, Minnesota 8

Milwaukee 8, Detroit 3

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ST. LOUIS (AP) — Mark McGwire in Denver. They discussed the possibility of McGwire serving as DH for at least one game of the Royals series that starts Tuesday.

McGwire prefers to play first base. Manager Tony La Russa called but playing DH would allow him to get

Colorado 12, St. Louis 3

Seattle 8, San Diego 1

Houston 6, Texas 5

Monday's Games

Toronto 9, Atlanta 4

Texas 12, Los Angeles 7

Atlanta 4, N.Y. Yankees 1

Arizona 12, Kansas City 5

Oakland 6, San Francisco 2

Anaheim 6, Los Angeles 5, 10 innings

baseball scoreboard

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By The Associated Press American League **East Division** W L Pct

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Texas 12, Los Angeles 7

Tuesday's Games Atlanta (Perez 3-4) at Toronto (Parris 3-4), 5:05 p.m.

Florida (Dempster 6-6) at Boston (Castillo 5-4), 5:05 p.m. N.Y. Mets (Reed 6-2) at Baltimore

(Mercedes 1-7), 5:05 p.m. Montreal (Armas Jr. 6-5) at N.Y. Yankees

(Lilly 2-1), 5:05 p.m. Pittsburgh (Ritchie 0-8) at Detroit (Mlicki 4-6), 5:05 p.m. Milwaukee (Haynes 5-7) at Cleveland

(Sabathia 6-2), 5:05 p.m. Philadelphia (Telemaco 5-1) at Tampa Bay (Kennedy 1-0), 5:15 p.m.

Houston (Elarton 4-5) at Minnesota (Radke 7-2), 6:05 p.m.

St. Louis (Kile 7-5) at Kansas City (Suppan 3-5), 6:05 p.m. Cincinnati (Dessens 5-2) at Chicago

White Sox (D.Wells 4-5), 6:05 p.m.

Seattle (Sele 8-0) at Colorado (Bohanon 3-4), 6:05 p.m.

Oakland (Hudson 6-3) at San Diego (Williams 5-5), 6:05 p.m. Texas (Judd 1-0) at Los Angeles (Dreifort

3-5), 8:10 p.m.

Anaheim (Rapp 1-6) at San Francisco (Rueter 6-6), 8:15 p.m.



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Wednesday's Games

Atlanta (Glavine 6-4) at Toronto (Hamilton 2-3), 5:05 p.m.

Florida (Clement 2-5) at Boston (Wakefield 4-0), 5:05 p.m.

N.Y. Mets (Rusch 3-5) at Baltimore (Ponson 3-4), 5:05 p.m. Montreal (Irabu 0-1) at N.Y. Yankees Philadelphia

(Clemens 7-1), 5:05 p.m. Pittsburgh (Beimel 2-1) at Detroit

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(Colon 5-6), 5:05 p.m. Philadelphia (Chen 2-3) at Tampa Bay (Rekar 0-7), 5:15 p.m.

Houston (Reynolds 6-4) at Minnesota (Milton 6-3), 6:05 p.m.

Cincinnati (Bell 0-4) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 4-3), 6:05 p.m. St. Louis (Morris 8-3) at Kansas City

(Durbin 3-5), 6:05 p.m. Seattle (Moyer 8-1) at Colorado

(Chacon 3-3), 7:05 p.m. Oakland (Zito 3-6) at San Diego (Eaton Los Angeles

7-3), 8:05 p.m. Texas (Rogers 3-3) at Los Angeles San Francisco 31 32 .492

(Carrara 0-1), 8:10 p.m.

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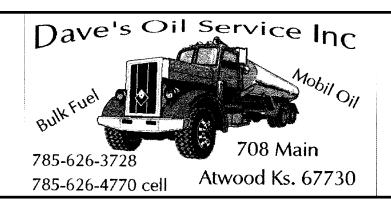
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