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Umpires Should Worry about Calls, Not Cameras

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ever Reduces Firearms night, where the first 250 fans to turn in a gun to the local office received a pair of tickets to the Bulls exhibition game. At the end of this promotion to protect the local community, the season-length with His Airness, Scottie Pippen and the boys will be glad they haven't had to do anything to remove dangerous implements from their ballpark.

The sudden retirement of Michael Jordan has done more than strip Chicago of its best player and the NBA of its biggest media star. It has unfortunately also planted the idea of retirement in many athletes. After Charles Barkley collapsed during training camp, he claimed that his back was causing him much pain that he would like to retire after this year, especially if the Suns win the championship.

Now that Rickey Henderson is back in the World Series, he has also expressed a desire to hang them up. Most athletes, especially those making piles of money, respect Jordan's idea of retirement in many athletes. It should be obvious to the team that Duckett has done everything possible to remove dangerous implements from the front office.

Sports celebrities are not the only ones who white these days. The major league baseball umpires union is complaining to both CBS and the league offices to remove the Sky Cam from World Series broadcasts. This camera is positioned directly above home plate, as to give a top view of the ball crossing the plate and allows the viewer to see the movement on pitches. Maybe the umpires should worry more about getting the calls right — unlike some calls they blew at first base in the World Series — and less about what's on the tube.

Anyone who played in the NBA prior to 1980 would be shocked to hear that Derrick Coleman turned down an $8-$9 million offer from the New Jersey Nets that would make him the highest paid player in the league. This contract dispute is not about money, though. It should be obvious to the team that Duckett does not want to play for the Exit 16W, a team that showed promise last year but which fell apart when Kenny Anderson got hurt, Drazen Petrovic was killed, Chris Dudley left via free agency, and Benetl "Balls" Benjamin joined the team. DC is simply forcing the Nets to ante up enough dough to keep him in a place he doesn't want to be. Sort of like the type of dough a company has to offer an engineer to move to Massachusetts.

With the near completion of the baseball season, we bring you our annual major awards, starting with the AL MVP:

1. Frank Thomas
3. Greg Ginn

The Big Hurt had a monster year, and should win the consensus choice on everyone's ballot. Contrary to the normally solid baseball manager, plays the field, and over Rafael Palmeiro because he had better numbers at the plate for a worse team. In another stunning display of ignorance, there are the same exact selections we made in our pre-season baseball article, so many months ago.

Memade's Top 5
1. Florida State
2. Notre Dame
3. Ohio State
4. UCLA
5. MIT

The Seminoles are off this week, while the Lou "Our team couldn't beat Wallisley" Holtz's Notre Dame hosts Southern Col. Each team is eagerly anticipating this season's second "Game of the Century," in held Nov. 13 in South Bend. Meanwhile, the Bucks travel to West Lafayette to dispose of the Boilermakers.

Let's Argue Fan Top 5
This week's fan is Frank Leiby, G, who sent us the following:
1. Washington
2. Washington State
3. Eastern Washington
4. Puget Sound
5. Bella College of Music

Globe Gem of the Week
This week's winner is Jack Czigr, who regularly reviews sports media coverage in his Sportview column. Quick to spot rising stars, this following appeared in last Tues-
day's edition: "Mike Duffy and Andrew Heintzer will make sports announcements on November Saturday when they broadcast the MIT-Nicholls football game on WMRR-FM (88.1). It has never happened before at MIT." A hearty Let's Argue two thumbs up to Jack.

Where Are They Now?
1980 Philadelphia Phillies. Manny Trillo "in Rio," Bake "Father of the Innocents, Garru Mad-
dox, Greg "Bull" Luzinski, Rob "Thumbs the Debbie" Boone, Keith Morrelland, Steve Carlton, Dickie Notes, Dick "Doctor" Ruthven,

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