

Olympic essence ignored

Re: Ajay Bhardwaj; "Olympic fiasco"

As my third-grade English teacher once told me, "before you can write about an essay it is essential that you understand everything there is to know about the topic." Obviously Mr. Bhardwaj, you know nothing about athletics! In your column, you completely ignored the essence of the Olympic Games and what it means to participate. For 16 days a group of incredible people gather from all countries of the world to display a talent at a level that is rarely ever seen. Whether it be boxing, basketball, rhythmic gymnastics or water polo, what we see is human performance at its best! Anyone who knows anything about athletics understands the extensive physical and psychological training that is required to achieve excellence in any sport. For you to butcher the efforts of these individuals because of their choice of sport accentuates your ignorance.

Athletes of all sports dedicate many years of their lives to become as proficient at their sports as is humanly possible. For this I and 99% of the rest of the world applaud them; not for their gold, silver or bronze medals, not for their choice of sporting activity, but for their determination and hard work. Perhaps if you would put even half that kind of effort into your writing, we could all be subjected to an article that is worth reading. Best of luck!

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Physical Education III

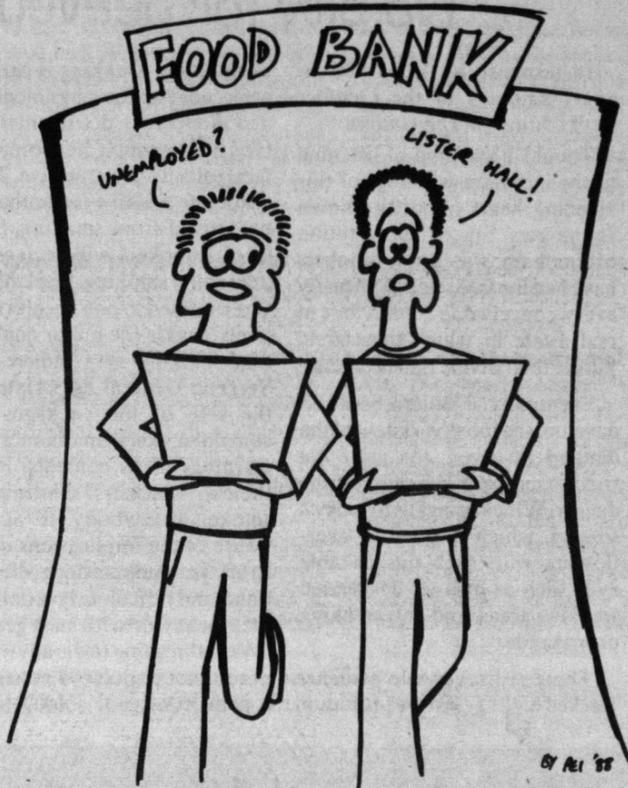
Godiva finale?

The Lady Godiva controversy could have been ended weeks ago, but NO, people insist on writing an endless stream of letters intending to get the last word in. Let's face it, no matter how hard you try to cram your opinions down another's throat, that won't make them listen!

I would like this letter to be the finale for this year's barrage of stationery stalemate. I'm not even going to choose a bias! I'm not going to say it was wrong or right, repugnant or rapturous, titillating or offensive, indignant or unifying either.

There you have it, one completely impartial letter. Let's call it a draw this year. Godiva Oglers: 1; Indignant Oprah Watchers: 1.

Molly Reach
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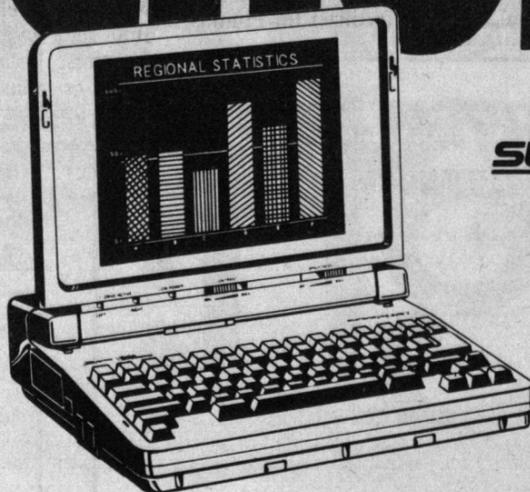
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