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## Scorecard

### SPORTS BEAT

SOME EVENTS just sound fun—like, say, the Goldschlager Bar Olympics, in which good-looking women travel from town to town beating the locals at pool and darts. (Chugging the titular cinnamon schnapps liqueur is not an event, at least not officially.) The Goldschlager Å Team's "captain" is **Jenny McCarthy**—the former *Playboy* centerfold and star of *Scary Movie 3*—but the real competitors are **Jennifer Barretta** (below, left), a professional pool player who took up the sport four years ago because, she says, "I don't have to break any bones and I can be good at it," and **Christine Nguyen** (right), a darts player and model. Players who beat an Å Team member during competition (which began in New York City on Oct. 23 and will go to five other cities) qualify to win a trip to the finals in Las Vegas next summer.



Studying for the bar

■ The Chiefs' record-breaking return specialist **Dante Hall** was funny and engaging in his appearance on the *Late Show* with *David Letterman* last Thursday—at one point



#### PICTURE THIS

In what is considered the Super Bowl of not shaving, Germany's Karl Heinz-Hille (bottom left) won the sixth World Beard and Mustache Championships in Carson City, Nev. About 150 men—including 80 from the Association of German Beard Clubs—competed in the event, many of whom waxed poetic. Heinz-Hille beat an 83-year-old Englishman by a whisker to win the overall title.

■ ABC has hired **Justin Timberlake** to write music for the network's NBA coverage and to work as a correspondent. TNT hired him last summer, saying he would report on events ranging from basketball to NASCAR—but he has rarely been seen. . . . **Ben Affleck** has signed to play basketball coach **Don Haskins** in *Glory Road*, a movie based on Haskins's 1966 Texas Western (now Texas-El Paso) team. The Miners, who had an all-black starting lineup, beat **Adolph Rupp**'s all-white Kentucky team to win the na-

lies for a week (after studying videotape of members interacting with each other) and become a kind of on-site **Dr. Phil**. "I help them solve their problems—overweight, injury, lack of motivation," Croce told *The Philadelphia Inquirer*. "Everyone needs a friend. I'm a friend

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