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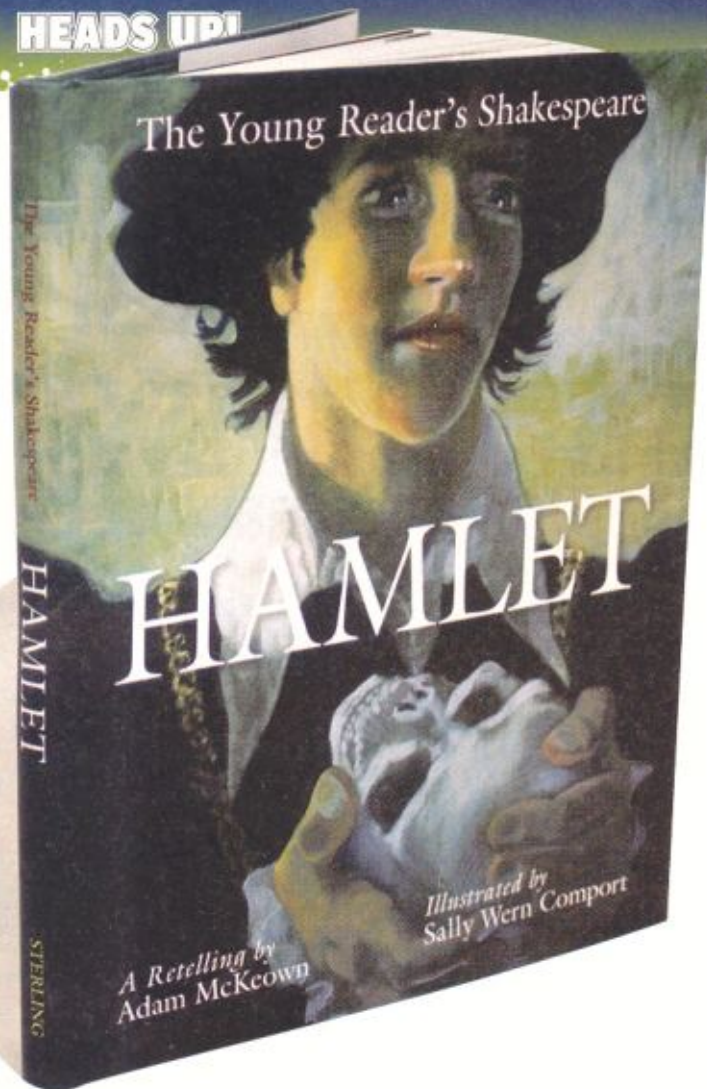
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•February is Black History Month

FEB. 1 • One year ago, the Space Shuttle Columbia broke apart, killing the seven astronauts aboard.

FEB. 2 • Groundhog Day

FEB. 14 • Valentine’s Day

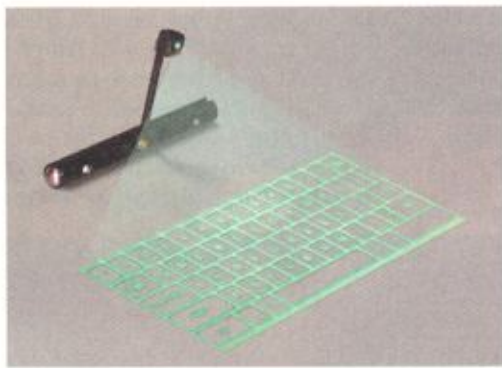
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SPORTS CORNER :- Check out these events this month. (See local listings for air times.)



• Feb. 8	Pro hockey	NHL All-Star Game	ESPN
• Feb. 15	Auto racing	NASCAR Daytona 500	NBC
• Feb. 15	Pro basketball	NBA All-Star Game	TNT
• Feb. 21	College basketball	Bracket Buster Tournament	ESPN, ESPN2