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Notable women:
 March is Women's History Month, a time to look beyond the famous and learn about other women, such as Margaret Chung (above), who through actions big and small changed the course of history and blazed a trail for others. Test your knowledge by matching eight women with their accomplishments. **D-1**

WORLD

Reactor troubles:
 Authorities in Japan raced Sunday to combat the threat of multiple meltdowns at nuclear reactors damaged by last week's earthquake and tsunami. Despite those efforts, a hydrogen explosion today in the Fukushima Daiichi plant injured three people but did not breach the inner reactor container. **A-11**

Setbacks: Moammar Gadhafi's forces swept rebels from one of their final strongholds Sunday. **A-11**

NATION

Flooding eases:
 Rivers and streams in northern New Jersey started receding Sunday after cresting during the night. **A-11**

STATE

Bus crash: Passengers aboard Saturday's fatal bus crash told authorities the bus swerved to the right several times before it crashed. The accounts didn't match the driver's account of the crash, which he blamed on a tractor-trailer hitting the bus. **A-9**

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JEFF KRAMER BATTLES WIND, COLD AS DOWNTOWN AMBASSADOR **D-1**

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NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

ORANGE SEED: #3 IN THE EAST

Syracuse University must win four games in the East Region to advance to the Final Four on April 2-4 in Houston. Here's a look at the team's tournament opener and the games that could lie ahead Sunday in Cleveland and next week in Newark, N.J.



GAME 1

Friday in Cleveland, 9:47 p.m. (approximate)

Opponent: Indiana State (14 seed)

The Sycamores are best known for their run to the 1979 national title game with Larry Bird. Indiana State has been to the tournament three times, the last appearance coming in 2001 when it upset No. 4 Oklahoma as a No. 13 seed. The Sycamores have won eight of their last nine games, including a run through the Missouri Valley Conference tournament.

EAST REGION

- (1) Ohio State
- (16) Texas-SA / Alabama St.
- (8) George Mason
- (9) Villanova
- (5) West Virginia
- (12) UAB/Clemson
- (4) Kentucky
- (13) Princeton
- (6) Xavier
- (11) Marquette
- (3) **Syracuse**
- (14) Indiana State
- (7) Washington
- (10) Georgia
- (2) North Carolina
- (15) Long Island

LOOKING AHEAD IN THE EAST

In addition to Indiana State, the Orange faces several major obstacles in its bid to emerge from the region.

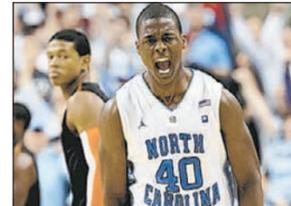
XAVIER (6) / MARQUETTE (11)

If SU beats Indiana State it will play the winner of Marquette and Xavier. If it's Marquette, the Orange will face a team it lost to by a score of 76-70 Jan. 29. If it's Xavier, the Orange could play an Ohio team (which includes guard Mark Lyons, right) in Cleveland.



NORTH CAROLINA (2)

The Tar Heels came on strong at the end of the season, winning nine of their last 10 games to take the ACC regular-season title. They have one of the premier players in the country in Harrison Barnes (right). The freshman scored 40 points in an ACC semifinal.



OHIO STATE (1)

The Buckeyes are not just the No. 1 seed in the East, they are the No. 1 overall seed in the tournament. Ohio State is probably the closest thing there is in college basketball to a juggernaut, with dominating freshman big man Jared Sullinger (right).



Complete bracket, Page C-4

8-PAGE SECTION INSIDE:

- Capsule summaries and analyses of all 68 teams in the NCAA field.
- The Big East sets a record by getting 11 of its 16 teams in the NCAA Tournament. **C-1**
- Basketball writer Donna Ditota takes a look at the Indiana State Sycamores. **C-2**
- Coach Jim Boeheim considers Indiana State a "very tough" opening game for the Syracuse Orange. **C-3**



SU ON DIFFICULT PATH TO FINAL FOUR

BUD POLIQUIN

SPORTS COLUMNIST



OK, so the Syracuse University men's basketball squad is in the 68-team NCAA Tournament field. And it has been deemed a "3" seed by the folks who cobbled the brackets together.

And now, throughout all of Central New York, the emotions are once again percolating as they almost always do in this month of March.

How deep into the competition will the Orange (26-7 and once ranked as high as third in all the land) advance? And as it rolls to its ultimate destination — perhaps all the way to Houston, the site of this year's Final Four — how deep into our cuticles will we chew?

Good questions. And they will begin to be answered when Jim Boeheim's outfit opens up out there in Cleveland Friday night against Indiana State.

In the meantime, how comfortable should you feel? As we gaze ahead to that run to the Final Four, here are four reasons to smile and four reasons to fret.

The Good:

(1) As stated above, the Orange won't play until Friday ... and that should help the Syracuse cause. Fab Melo, Baye Moussa Keita, Dion Waiters and C.J. Fair, remember, are freshmen who'll be dipping their toes into NCAA Tournament waters for the first time. So that extra day of practice and preparation will likely serve SU fairly well.

Meanwhile, the schedule will give the Syracuse sages — Rick Jackson, Scoop Jardine, Kris Joseph and Brandon Triche, who've combined to play in 407 college games — more time to settle the rookies.

(2) LeBron James might not think

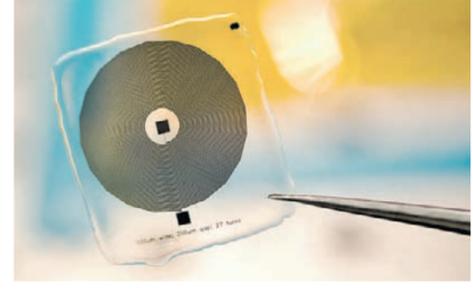
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SCIENCE

Researchers try to duplicate sticky fibers spun by spiders

Those webs that spiders spin contain much that could be useful to mankind. Trouble is, the arachnids don't make enough of it. Spider ranching, as it turns out, is impractical.

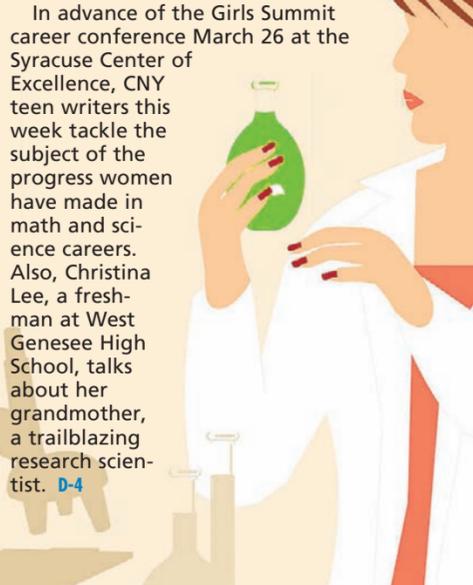
Scientists are trying to replicate the strong and sticky silk by reinventing the one silk that is plentiful — from silkworms. The hope is to create fibers that can be used in a variety of ways, from medical electronics to stronger bulletproof vests. **D-3**



VOICES

Teens look at women's progress in math, science

In advance of the Girls Summit career conference March 26 at the Syracuse Center of Excellence, CNY teen writers this week tackle the subject of the progress women have made in math and science careers. Also, Christina Lee, a freshman at West Genesee High School, talks about her grandmother, a trailblazing research scientist. **D-4**



MONEYWISE

New ideas help you make savings last

Most retirement plans focus on savings. But you also need to focus on spending. With increasing lifespans, there's a real danger you could outlive your retirement fund.

One way to make sure you have income is by buying a fixed annuity, but it's no longer the only option. Companies that offer retirement plans are developing new ideas that provide enough income in retirement, offer some safeguards against inflation and market downturns while not tying up savings.

