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Today's Winner: Jeff Gordon

Team: DuPont Chevrolet

- **Jeff Gordon** won the Advance Auto Parts 500 at Martinsville Speedway, scoring his 71st NASCAR NEXTEL Cup victory in his 407th career start. His last victory came in Daytona in February, five races ago.
- Gordon became the **first repeat race winner** in six races in 2005.
- Gordon climbed from **12th to sixth** in the NASCAR NEXTEL CUP point standings.
- This is Gordon's **sixth victory in 25 races at Martinsville**, including **three of the last five**. Gordon came from a **three-lap deficit** to win.
- Gordon begins the 2005 season with three top-10 finishes in six races.
- Gordon posted his **19th top-10 finish in 25 races** at Martinsville, including five straight.
- Gordon scored the **12th victory** for car owner **Rick Hendrick** at Martinsville. This is Hendrick's **133rd victory** as a car owner and third this season.

Notebook Items

- **Kasey Kahne** (second) posted his first top-10 finish in three races at Martinsville Speedway. He has scored two top-10 finishes in six races this season. Kahne climbed from 24th to 18th in the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup point standings.
- **Mark Martin** (third) scored his 21st top-10 finish in 39 races at Martinsville Speedway. It is his fourth top-10 finish in 2005. Martin climbed from 10th to fourth in the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup point standings. Martin has been running at the finish in **28 consecutive races**, the longest current streak.
- **Ryan Newman** (fourth) scored his fourth top-10 finish in seven races at Martinsville Speedway. Newman has scored three top-10 finishes this season. He climbed from 11th to eighth in the point standings.
- **Rusty Wallace** (fifth) scored his 25th top-10 finish in 43 races at Martinsville Speedway. Wallace scored his third top-10 finish in 2005 and climbed from ninth to seventh in the point standings. Wallace led 47 laps in today's race and moved into **second all-time in laps led at Martinsville** with 3,632 laps led in 43 races here. **Cale Yarborough** remains the all-time lap leader at Martinsville, leading 3,851 laps in 32 races.
- **Ricky Rudd** (seventh) posted his 20th top-10 finish 52 races at Martinsville Speedway. Rudd scored his first top-10 finish in 2005. Rudd moved to 34th in the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup point standings and is the team now among the top-35 in owner points, assuring him a starting spot at Texas.
- **Jimmie Johnson** (eighth) posted his sixth top-10 finish in seven races at Martinsville Speedway. Johnson has scored top-10 finishes in **12 straight races**, since Charlotte last fall. **Johnson** failed to lead a lap for the first race in 2005.
- **Joe Nemechek** (10th) posted his first top-10 finish in 22 races at Martinsville Speedway. It marked his first top-10 finish in 2005.
- **Travis Kvapil** (27th) was the highest finishing Raybestos Rookie-of-the-Year contender for the third time in 2005.
- **Eight of the top-10 positions** in the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup point standings changed at Martinsville.
- Looking ahead to the Chase for the NASCAR NEXTEL Cup - **only 23 drivers** remain within 400 points of current point leader Jimmie Johnson.
- The **NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Leader Bonus** will be worth **\$40,000** Texas Motor Speedway.