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Spanish Dept. policies irk students

Kristin Bauer
The Daily Iowan

Closed Spanish classes are causing anxiety for UI students who are seeking to fulfill their foreign language requirements, complete a minor or graduate with a major.

A lack of upper-level classes left UI senior Samantha Hutchinson

frustrated with the UI Department of Spanish and Portuguese's policies with major and minor Spanish students. Spanish majors are given a code to get into classes, but Spanish minors are not.

"I have 15 hours left towards my minor before I graduate," Hutchinson said. "There wasn't a single

class open by the time I got to register. I don't know what I am going to do now."

Hutchinson said her next required class is Advanced Spanish Language, and the class only is offered in three sections.

"It didn't surprise me that none of them were open by the time I

registered," she said. "I can't understand. If the department knows that the students need to take it, why don't they offer more times for it?"

Difficulties in taking certain classes to graduate led UI senior Devin Stauffacher to receive his Spanish credit hours from Kirk-

wood Community College.

"Last semester I tried to get into a class, and the only thing open was a night class," Stauffacher said. "I just got fed up and decided to take it at Kirkwood."

Maria Duarte, chairperson of the UI Department of Spanish and

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Trendy toys leave buyers in a frenzy

Renee Bovy
The Daily Iowan

With only two weeks left before Christmas, the rush to grab a Tickle Me Elmo doll has left Iowa City stores empty of the red, furry toy and some area residents are disgusted with the commercialism of buying for kids.

As of Wednesday night, Tickle Me Elmo dolls could not be found at five major local toy stores. The toy has been popular nationwide since its appearance in July.

Mark Gauger, co-owner of the Fun Zone, 105 S. Dubuque St., said the hype surrounding the Tickle Me Elmo doll has people losing sight of the true meaning of Christmas.

"Although the Tickle Me Elmo is sold-out all over the country, they are still running a lot of TV ads to whoop people into a buying frenzy," Gauger said. "Incidents such as fist fights over Cabbage Patch Dolls make me wonder if we are losing sight of what Christmas is supposed to be about."

Iowa City resident Danise Petsel said she will avoid the hyped toys this year and buy her 7- and 9-year-old stepchildren educational toys.

"Last year, they wanted all the popular toys, but this year they asked for more craft-oriented projects, so we are getting them tie-dye kits, jewelry-making kits and a candle-making kit," Petsel said.

Jeff Weaver, toy-department manager at the Coralville Target, said at his store, the top-selling toys this year are Tickle Me Elmo, Nintendo 64 and movie merchandise, including products from the films "Toy Story," "101 Dalmatians" and "Space Jam."

The Target store is running low on supplies of Tickle Me Elmo, and chances are not good

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Sharing the Christmas spirit



Brian Ray/The Daily Iowan

Members of the Iowa field hockey team make a Santa Claus ornament with Rachel Bucher, a patient at the UI Hospitals and Clinics children's hospital, Wednesday night. "It's nice to get out in the

community and bring some cheer. It puts you in the Christmas spirit," team member Kristin Holmes said. The event was held in the gymnasium of the Pappajohn Pavilion at the UIHC.

TECHNOLOGY

Surf's up: Catch the Web wave

David Kalish
Associated Press

NEW YORK — You surf the Web in your sleep with Internet software browsing overnight for stuff you're interested in.

Morning breaks as you wake to customized news and weather reports beamed across a video screen. You click on your favorite stock, up in early trading. A video clip and text spring up with news of the firm's merger. Without delay, you execute the sale of 50 shares.

Hop to an electronic storefront. Photos of snazzy shoes entice you to spend. The price is electronically subtracted from bank-account records stored in your home computer. All this is done on a big screen that doubles as a television and triples as a home security system.

Believe the Internet hype. Much of this is now possible or soon will be. The Web revolution that promised to forever change how we live and work is nearly here — and working furiously to get out the kinks.

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UI students begin finals-week preparation

Studiers boost local restaurant business

Kelley Chorley
The Daily Iowan

Black coffee, lots of caffeine and free refills won't be an unfamiliar order for students cramming everything they've learned into one or two nights before their final exams.

Local restaurants and coffee houses are not hurting for business during the week before finals and during exam week. In fact, most business' doors don't stop swinging because of the number of students coming in and out.

"Finals keep us busy with students coming in and studying," said Steve Harris, manager at the Java House, 211 1/2 E. Washington St. "We turn tables over fast and make sure they keep buying drinks. Finals definitely help our business."

UI junior Kathy Phillips said she goes to the Java House during the day to keep her mind focused

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on studying.

"I get some reading done when I stay on campus, instead of going home and doing things other than studying," Phillips said. "I tend to go to the Java House in between classes more during finals week to make sure I don't fall behind on my studying."

Business is increasing between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. and 8-11:30 p.m. at the Tobacco Bowl, 111 S. Dubuque St., according to manager Chris McDowell.

"This is a main hangout for

some of the students at the university, and they are staying longer since finals have rolled around," McDowell said. "People are studying more, buying more and smoking more. Business is definitely better."

Although smoking is not listed on UI junior Shannan Sacks' study guide, coffee makes up a good percentage of the preparation she uses before final exams.

"I can get my caffeine fix which allows me to stay awake when I study long hours," Sacks said. "I usually go to the Java House because of the laid-back setting, and I can concentrate more easily there."

Students who want to study all night long without getting kicked out of a restaurant can go to Country Kitchen, 1402 S. Gilbert St. The restaurant is open 24 hours a day and isn't enforcing their two-hour study limit.

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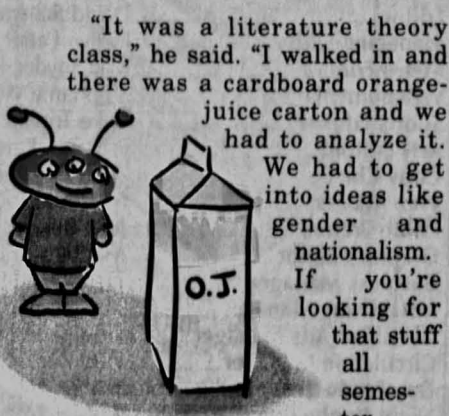
Studying for an upcoming exam at the Java House, UI graduate student Erika Landl enjoys a cup of coffee to relieve her pre-finals week stress. "Coffee houses serve good coffee and play relaxing music, which make for a pleasant atmosphere," she said.

Orange juice and aliens: Unusual exams keep students on their toes

Mike Waller
The Daily Iowan

From space aliens and orange-juice cartons to the possibility of God changing His/Her mind, some UI students are given finals that go beyond spit-back-the-facts exams.

Phil Brodd, a UI junior majoring in English, said he once had to write a final-exam essay about an orange-juice carton.



"It was a literature theory class," he said. "I walked in and there was a cardboard orange-juice carton and we had to analyze it. We had to get into ideas like gender and nationalism. If you're looking for that stuff all semester,

you'll just say 'Ah, there it is.'" Evan Fales, a UI associate professor of philosophy, said he thinks final exams should be used to test students' abilities to think critically rather than repeat facts. "I really feel students should be made to think critically," he said. "My questions require innovative thinking and a simple mastery of the material. I try to be as original and innovative as I can, but some questions are better than others."

He said creativity is a benefit to

final exams because it allows students to demonstrate their interests and abilities in a unique way.

"I give essay exams, but I also give students the option of a term paper," he said. "The only catch is the student has to propose their topic to me. Students are generally very creative."

UI senior Rakesh Chaudhari said he faced the creativity of a professor last semester in his Biochemistry and Molecular Biology II final exam.

"We learned about mechanisms

and things for biochemical processes all semester," he said. "On the final, (the professor) said he found a life form on Mars. Through our knowledge and the basic facts he gave us, we had to analyze the life form and give some assumptions about its biochemical makeup."

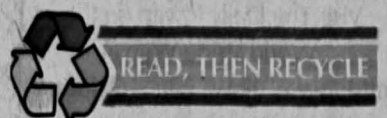
Chaudhari said the exam forced him to use all of the tools he learned during the semester and apply them to a completely different situation.

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People in the News

People

Celebrities share coffee-table photography choices

NEW YORK (AP) — Alan Dershowitz has no objection to Annie Leibovitz.

"One thing I don't have on my coffee table is anything related to law," the celebrated lawyer said. "I love art, and I insist on having a separate life from my work."

So alongside family snapshots is a photography book by Leibovitz, whose celebrity pictures are "like an article about the person, but you have to fill in the words," Dershowitz said in the upcoming issue of *American Photo*.

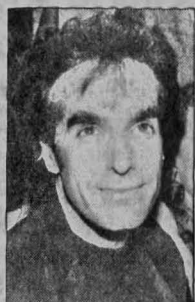
Other notables sharing their coffee table collections include feminist Gloria Steinem and "Friends" actor Matt LeBlanc.

Steinem displays photojournalist Donna Ferrato's documentation of domestic violence, "Living with the Enemy." LeBlanc said he's an avid photographer who keeps a copy of "Patrick Demarchelier: Photographs."

Magician David Copperfield honored by hometown

METUCHEN, N.J. (AP) — Magician David Copperfield never really vanished from his hometown.

The Metuchen native, whose illusions include making the Statue of Liberty disappear, returned home Tuesday to see a new street named in his honor: Copperfield Lane.



Copperfield

"It was like a reunion," said Mayor Ed O'Brien. "Here's this very popular celebrity talking and joking with some of his former neighbors and teachers like he still lived next door."

Residents remembered the young Copperfield — then David Kotkin — performing magic acts at birthday parties for \$5 under the name Davino, The Boy Magician.

"I remember him in second grade taking quarters and flipping them up and down through his fingers," added Eileen Germain Tiefenhart. "He always had a trick up his sleeve."

Dick Morris talks strictly politics at New York University

NEW YORK (AP) — Dick Morris' tips as teacher for a day didn't include schooling about a certain call girl.

Morris resigned in August as an adviser to President Clinton amid allegations he had a relationship with a \$200-an-hour prostitute. Sherry Rowlands claimed he let her listen in on presidential phone calls and divulged inside information.

During a visit by Morris to a politics class Tuesday at New York University, the 50 undergraduates applauded the political operative and didn't ask a single question about the scandal.

Morris reminisced about his White House days and said political consulting "requires the ability of an academic and the canniness of a drug pusher."

"You want to get them hooked on your paper," he said. "You want to get them dependent on you."

Number of winter travelers expected to rise as holidays near

Karen Schwartz Associated Press

NEW YORK — When it comes to travel this winter, short trips are in, medium-length trips aren't. Children are in, spouses aren't. Florida is in, California isn't. More travel is in, spending more isn't.

"All signs are go for a great winter travel season — barring a repeat of the abysmal weather canceling many vacations last winter," said William Norman, president of the Travel Industry Association of America.

Travel for December, January and February is expected to rise 5 percent over last year to a record 139 million trips, according to a survey released Wednesday by TIA and the American Automobile Association.

For the Christmas and New Year's holidays, about 38.5 million Americans are expected to travel 100 miles or more from home. The travel volume is about the same

as last year, but observers called it impressive considering both holidays fall on a Wednesday.

Travel last year was boosted by Christmas and New Year's Day conveniently falling on Mondays. Still, winter travel overall last year was hurt by unusually heavy snowfall, a lackluster economy and the federal budget impasse that shut down museums, monuments and passport offices.

This year, "the economy is strong, unemployment low, and consumers are happy," Norman said.

The holiday and winter travel surveys, based on telephone interviews with 1,500 adults, found Americans will not only take more trips this winter but also will be changing a few of their travel habits.

The number of people planning one- to three-night stays on their longest pleasure trip this winter rose 7 percentage points to 32 percent, while the number planning four- to six-night stays

dropped 5 points to 21 percent. The average was eight days, almost the same as last year.

More than ever, travelers will have kids in tow. Forty percent of vacationers — a 7-percentage-point hike — plan to have children with them. It's the highest number since the survey was first conducted in 1991.

Spouses fared less well. Fifty-five percent of all travelers plan to take a trip with their spouse, down 4 points from last year. It wasn't clear whether more travelers are unmarried or whether married people are traveling alone more often, TIA spokesperson Shawn Flaherty said.

Florida was the likely destination choice for 47 percent, rebounding from 40 percent last winter. California lost 6 points but was still popular with 33 percent.

Americans plan to spend an average of \$979 per vacation, unchanged from last winter despite gas prices 17 cents higher than a year ago.

SEQUEL OF THE CENTURY

Simpson defense focuses on Fuhrman

Michael Fleeman Associated Press

SANTA MONICA, Calif. — O.J. Simpson's attorney Wednesday suggested Mark Fuhrman had 30 minutes to plant a bloody glove behind Simpson's home the morning after Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman were slain.



Lawyer Robert Baker presented Simpson the theory to the jury through questions to former Detective Tom Lange, who couldn't pinpoint his colleague's whereabouts at Simpson's house between 5:45 a.m. and 6:15 a.m.

"Do you know whether Detective Fuhrman was leaving ... so he would be all by himself so he would have the opportunity to plant a glove?" Baker asked at the wrongful-death trial against his client.

Plaintiffs' attorney Ed Medvene objected, and the judge refused to allow Lange to answer.

"(It) called for Mr. Fuhrman's intent. Sustained," Superior Court Judge Hiroshi Fujisaki said.

Lange also said he wasn't paying close attention to Fuhrman that morning.

"Fuhrman was out of your vision from 5:45 to 6:15? Yes or no?" Baker

"Again, I don't know. He was in and out of my vision. I don't know where Mr. Fuhrman was all the time he was there. I was focusing on other things."

Former Detective Tom Lange, on whether former Detective Mark Fuhrman had time to plant evidence at the crime scene.

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Baker's questioning marked the clearest attempt yet by the defense to accuse Fuhrman of planting evidence. It also was part of a defense attempt to raise Fuhrman's role even though the ex-detective won't be testifying.

Fuhrman's involvement in testimony in the criminal trial played an important role in that jury's decision to acquit Simpson of murder charges in the June 12, 1994, slayings of Brown Simpson and Goldman.

Fuhrman was accused of being a racist, rogue cop who wanted to frame Simpson. Fuhrman would later plead no contest to felony perjury charges for lying in the trial when he denied ever using a racial slur toward blacks in the last decade.

Fuhrman now lives out of state and cannot be forced to testify in

the wrongful death trial, as Simpson's attorneys would like. Fujisaki also has barred the defense from introducing Fuhrman's criminal trial testimony in the civil case.

Lange testified that the half-hour period on which the defense was focusing occurred while four detectives were at Simpson's house the morning of June 13, 1994.

This was the morning Fuhrman says he found the bloody glove behind Brian "Kato" Kaelin's guest room after Kaelin told him about hearing a thump on the wall.

In other developments Wednesday, the judge ruled the defense may call Kaelin back for more testimony even though he was questioned at length during the plaintiffs' case.

Fujisaki barred also testimony about possible widespread contamination in the police department crime lab. He ruled that such testimony from John Gerdes, which was allowed in Simpson's criminal trial, is irrelevant because it doesn't address the actual DNA test results in Simpson's case.

TICKLE ME ELMO

Internet offers elusive toy for exclusive price

Elizabeth Weise Associated Press

The knockdown, drag-out search for the hottest Christmas toy — Tickle Me Elmo dolls — has made its way to the Internet. Bidding wars have started for the under-\$30 furry creature, and prices have reached as high as \$200.

Seventeen-year-old Jeremy Wadhams bought one of the scarce Sesame Street characters when he saw a stack of 42 of them sell out in an hour and a half at the toy store where he works.

"I was kind of joking about it at work, saying 'You know, I could scalp it.' Then I got home and thought 'Hey, I can write HTML!'" That's the code for World Wide Web pages.

The Bellevue, Neb., teen-ager put up a Tickle Me Elmo page on his Web site last week. It included a note saying he'd be happy to barter. Money is less important than computing power to the high-school senior who hopes to get into New York University's computer science program next

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year.

"One guy wrote me and said he had a US Robotics 36.6 external Sportster modem, which was on my Christmas list," he said. "I came upstairs and asked my mom if she'd bought it yet, and unfortunately she already had."

E-mail bidding is up to \$200, and the teen-ager said he expects to sell his furry prize by the end of the week. The plush doll, made by Tyco Toys Inc., giggles when you press its stomach. It sells for under \$30 at retail stores — when it can be found.

For Dr. Fred Vincent, the thrill of the chase led to a \$100 order with someone who advertised an extra Elmo on rec.toys.misc, an Internet discussion group devoted to toys and collecting.

"For me it just became the game

of trying to find it and have it under the tree, using modern technology," he said by phone from his home in East Lansing, Mich.

Vincent doesn't feel he was taken by the \$70 surcharge.

"Look at automobiles," he said. "Popular ones like the BMW sports car sell out and then people sell them for \$5,000 or \$10,000 over the list price. Besides, I'm the one who went looking for it in the first place."

Not everyone on-line was so sanguine about the feeding frenzy.

One man, who posted that he had paid \$30 for Elmo and would sell it for the best offer over that, got a reply from Santa himself (in the guise of a poster checking in from AT&T's WorldNet.)

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Alleged UI

Kelley Chorley The Daily Iowan

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LOCAL BUSINESS

Sports Column

Brendan Brown The Daily Iowan

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Sports Column owner Don Stalkfleet said the new establishment will open July 1, 1997, next to the Wig and Pen Pizza Pub. Stalkfleet and his partner in this venture, Gary Miller, plan an expanded version of what the current Sports Column has to offer.

"We're spending \$100,000 on a state-of-the-art video wall," Stalkfleet said. "It's a whole system of TVs that are set about a quarter-inch apart. You can break them up to show different events or use all the screens together to show one event. It's similar to the one at Michael Jordan's Restaurant in Chicago."

Stalkfleet said he also has hired the former head cook from Mondo's Tomato Pie in Coralville to add elite items to the menu such as steaks, prime rib and shrimp cocktails.

Stalkfleet said he expects the new

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Charges could total \$2.3 million. Hentzel's trial is set for 9 a.m. on March 10. A pretrial conference will be held on Feb. 27.

According to Johnson County court records, on Feb. 15, 1996, UI maintenance received information that an elevator in MacLean Hall wasn't working properly. When a button was pushed, the elevator would not stop at the correct floor. Hentzel was charged with criminal mischief in the fourth degree for this incident.

On April 5, Public Safety officers searched Hentzel's room and found computer records of e-mail messages

that had information about an upcoming meeting of "2600," an international hacking group, later that day.

Public Safety set up a surveillance near Room S404 of Pappajohn Business Administration Building and arrested Hentzel after he twisted a wire coat hanger, stood on the water fountain, pulled his upper body through the vent and used the coat hanger to unlatch the door from inside.

Hentzel's case was moved from the juvenile court to the adult system because of the seriousness of the case. He turned 18 on Oct. 2.

Branstad: More builders needed in Iowa

Tom Seery
Associated Press

AMES — Iowa is looking for a few good home builders, Gov. Terry Branstad said at a housing conference Wednesday.

"We do have a shortage of contractors," Branstad said. "We need more contractors. We need more people going into the building trades."

The governor made his comments at a conference sponsored by state, federal and local officials to discuss the housing shortage in Iowa. The event drew about 500 officials from across Iowa, filling the Iowa State University hall that held the event.

"We have good economic development in Iowa, and we've created our own housing problems. That's a good problem to have," said Mick

Guttau, the state banking superintendent.

"With growth comes growing pains, and that's exactly what we're experiencing in the housing area," Branstad said. "We have a critical need for additional housing."

"This year that area is one of our targeted areas in work force development," Branstad said. "We will have more money available for job training and retraining programs."

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Sports Column owner Don Stalkfleet said the new establishment will open July 1, 1997, next to the Wig and Pen Pizza Pub. Stalkfleet and his partner in this venture, Gary Miller, plan an expanded version of what the current Sports Column has to offer.

"We're spending \$100,000 on a state-of-the-art video wall," Stalkfleet. "It's a whole system of TVs that are set about a quarter-inch apart. You can break them up to show different events or use all the screens together to show one event. It's similar to the one at Michael Jordan's Restaurant in Chicago."

Stalkfleet said he also has hired the former head cook from Mondo's Tomato Pie in Coralville to add elite items to the menu such as steaks, prime rib and shrimp cocktails.

Stalkfleet said he expects the new

Sports Column to appeal to older members of the UI community.

"A lot of people who used to go to school and have graduated want to go to the Sports Column, but don't want to deal with the parking problems downtown," he said. "Downtown Iowa City is definitely student-oriented, (whereas) most businesses in Coralville are not student-oriented. If you look at it demographically, it's probably going to draw an older crowd."

Potential customers expressed varying degrees of anticipation about the new eating and drinking establishment in Coralville.

"I like the Column (and) I love patio bars; I'm there," UI senior and Coralville resident Marcus Christiani said. "It will open up our Coralville bar scene a little better."

Christiani said he expects the new Sports Column to be a welcome change from other bars in the area.

"Most of the bars in Coralville are pretty dingy," he said. "By and large, the bar scene is pretty dead out there."

UI alumnus Kris Kinsey, who lives near from the site, said the bar can expect heavy traffic during sporting events at Kinnick Stadium and Carver-Hawkeye Arena, but its addition to the area probably will not change his late-night habits.

"Maybe if I'm looking for a big-

screen TV and I want to go somewhere close, it'll be a good option," he said. "But there's a few more options in downtown Iowa City than just a single bar in Coralville."

UI senior and Coralville resident Brad Puls said he would welcome the more mature atmosphere of the Coralville Sports Column, but perhaps not the theme.

"I like the older crowd," he said. "I don't like the under-21 crowd; there's a lot of problems there. I think they need something bigger in Coralville. I don't know if we need another sports bar, though."

Stalkfleet said some of his current staff might make the transition to the new site, but he intends to keep the majority of them at the downtown bar.

"I think we have a good reputation there," he said. "I have a very good management staff and I want to keep them in place running things downtown for the college crowd. I'm going to go out to Coralville and get things started there."

"I love the place I've created in Iowa City, but I'm 43 and I've been doing this for 14 years. As you get older, you tend to get out of touch with what the college crowd wants. I see the new place as someplace that my friends and I can go to and an environment I identify with a little more."

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"Everyone I know has gotten some entertainment from the doll. It's really cute; when you tickle it, it shakes and says, 'Oh, boy. That tickles. Oh boy, that tickles!'"

UI junior **Debbie Bishop**, on the joys of her Tickle Me Elmo doll

Tickle me annoyed by gift fads

Across the nation, people are in a frenzy trying to find that perfect toy for their child. This isn't an Arnold Schwarzenegger and Sinbad movie. This is the real-life "Jingle All the Way," where folks are maxing-out their credit cards, standing in long lines and fighting over who grabbed the Tickle Me Elmo first.

What is the big deal about this plush character who resides on "Sesame Street" with Big Bird and the gang? Well, after many predecessors, he is the latest toy sensation to be in popular demand.

First, it was the Cabbage Patch Kid that drove people wild at toy stores across the United States. People went through all of that scratching and pushing for a doll that sits down and smiles at you. It also came with adoption papers for the owner to mail in so the doll could be "officially" their own. I don't understand that concept, because if I went through the trouble of finding this doll, it better be officially mine — I don't need adoption papers to prove that.

Then there was Teddy Ruxpin, a talking bear who reads stories to the child.

But the Teddy craze didn't last too long because parents figured out they could read bedtime stories to their children themselves. Now poor Teddy is looking for another job.

Then the Power Rangers took the world by surprise. Children and parents alike went bonkers over these

martial-arts characters. I worked at Toys 'R Us during the Ranger hoopla and the atmosphere was hectic and bizarre. Parents would come into the store and leave with tears in their eyes when their search for the blue or black Ranger was unsuccessful.

"Sorry, ma'am, we're out of stock."
"Do you know when you'll get some more in?"
"Probably not for a while. At least not before Christmas."

"I THOUGHT THIS WAS A TOY STORE!"

I would've told this woman that Dan the stock boy was selling the \$5.99 toy in the back of the store for a low price of \$20, but my manager was too close to us. She left the store Ranger-less.

The Power Ranger popularity has died down a bit because people were concerned about the violence in the afternoon show. Jarvis began to perform kung fu on his little brother, Elroy, after watching the show and that wasn't good.

Now, America is blessed with the presence of Elmo — that's Tickle Me Elmo. This doll has the power to drive a customer in Davenport to snatch him away when a store clerk was handing Elmo to another customer.

This plush doll has the power to cause the Tyco company to air freight more shipments from China to America (before the demand, the dolls were imported by boat) to meet consumers' demand.

If you have him in your possession now, Elmo can give you power, too. A 17-year-old boy is taking advantage of that power. Jeremy Wadhams is auctioning off Elmo on his Web page. So far he has received more than 300 bids with the highest at \$200. That's \$200 for a \$21 red plush doll with a goofy name.

There is another downside to Elmo. What about the child whose parents couldn't find the doll or who isn't willing to pay more for it than what it's worth? Elmo-less children will be unhappy when they wake up on Christmas morning, run into the living room with smiling faces and realize Santa didn't bring them Elmo. Their Christmas is then ruined and they will not understand the true meaning of Christmas. But do adults understand the true meaning of Christmas?

Parents, uncles and aunts alike are dashing and darting for toys and presents. They are digging deep into their pockets to purchase that special toy of the year. Then they will receive a special gift from the creditors the very next month.

There's nothing wrong with making a child happy, but people are handing too much power over to Elmo and his counterparts.

What does Tickle Me Elmo do that makes him so special? When you tickle his stomach, he laughs — all the way to the bank.

James McCurtis Jr.'s column appears Thursdays on the Viewpoints Pages.

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Basketball: I'll pass, thank you

I am a sports geek. I would rather spend an afternoon watching pro football by myself than with most of the people I know. I still bear deep emotional scars from the fabled 1969 collapse of the Chicago Cubs. I watch ESPN's "SportsCenter" with breakfast. My radio format of choice is sports talk.

And I don't just follow the so-called "major" sports either. I have watched entire soccer games on TV — start to finish — and found them interesting! I have watched bowling on TV. I have paid money to watch auto racing, golf and arena football.

There is, however, one sport that doesn't interest me at all.

Basketball. There must be something fascinating about the game. What it is, I can't imagine.

Basketball essentially is people running up and down the floor, throwing the ball at a hoop, catching the ball and then running around some more. Whoever gets the ball through the hoop the most times wins — and you can wake me when it's over. It's even worse this season in the NBA, where scoring is at an all-time low. The Orlando Magic managed just 57 points the other night. West Branch High School can score more than that.

I don't deny there's drama in one of those last-shot, do-or-die, three-pointer-at-the-buzzer nail-biter games. But when that doesn't happen, basketball is like a game of slow-speed Pong that lasts two hours. I have yet to see a game that wasn't more exciting on a highlight show than it was in its entirety.

(A *Daily Iowan* colleague observed that college basketball is more fun than the pro variety because college crowds get more excited. She's right about the crowds, but people also get mighty excited at Hootie & the Blowfish concerts, and I don't understand that, either.)

Individual games are long enough, but the entire season seems to last an eternity. The first six weeks of college games are largely meaningless. Many major colleges spend the holidays fattening up on schools you need a really good road map to find.

There's a ritual that goes with these games. Beforehand, coaches always say stuff like, "We're worried about North Dakota Barber College, they're tough." Then the team beats NDBC 109-42, and the coach says, "You gotta give their kids credit for sticking with us the way they did."

Just once I'd like to hear a coach say, "I'm just glad we didn't kill anybody. I can't imagine why we scheduled them." I have yet to figure out what good a 60-point thrashing does for the team giving it, let alone getting it.

This week, the Big Ten rendered its conference season meaningless by instituting a post-season tournament, which means a team can win all of its conference games in convincing fashion, then lose by one point to one of the league's bottom feeders in the tournament and end up with nothing to show for two months' effort. Now there's absolutely no reason to pay attention to a single game until the NCAA tournament starts in March.

In the NBA, you can wait even longer. The league's playoffs take two months to complete, and don't get interesting until June.

This year, they're unnecessary. Just give the Chicago Bulls the trophy now and take the rest of the winter off.

I believe criticism should be constructive, so here are some suggestions for making basketball more interesting:

Require free throws to be made like shots in the game of "horse" — underhand, on one foot or with one eye shut.

Put somebody with a big paddle next to the basket and let him or her swat the ball away. Or put the basket on a pole that moves up and down — it would make the dunk more unpredictable. And since even I could make a shot from that distance, the dunk should be worth one point instead of two.

Make it legal to cream a shooter when he leaves his feet. Under the current rules, Michael Jordan's a good shooter, but if an opposing player could flatten him at the top of his jump, his percentage would go down like Shaquille O'Neal falling through a skylight.

My best innovation, however, is one that would shorten the season and ensure a nail-biter finish in every game. Instead of playing a full 40 or 45 minutes, give each team 100 points and let them play for five minutes. That way, a team could play five or six games a night. The players would have more time for endorsements, and Dennis Rodman's new show on MTV could be twice as long.

Uhhh ... maybe that last rule change isn't such a good idea after all.

James A. Bartlett's column appears Thursdays on the Viewpoints Pages.



Adopting a pet in Iowa City is a pain

Most Iowa City residents realize this town has a reputation for being liberal.

Most people know the rest of Iowa tends to be conservative.

Therefore, because regulations overlap, it is easier to get a permit to purchase a handgun in Iowa City than to adopt a homeless cat from the Iowa City animal shelter.

To obtain a permit to purchase a handgun, a citizen of Johnson County calls the Johnson County Sheriff's Department and obtains paperwork. After filling out the short form, the citizen presents himself or herself to the Sheriff's Department with evidence that he or she lives in Johnson County. Evidence would include utility bills if one rents a home or property-tax paperwork if one owns a home.

The \$10 fee is nonrefundable. The Sheriff's Department then conducts a background check by entering the applicant's name, Social Security number and date of birth in a computer that searches the national FBI database. Assuming the applicant has not been convicted of a felony or other criminal charge (this does not include parking tickets and the like) the application is approved and, after the three-day cooling-off period, the applicant picks up the permit and can become a handgun owner.

There is a 24-hour cooling off period, during which time the animal shelter staff calls the applicant's landlord to make sure he or she can have a cat. The applicant has to call back the next day before 10 a.m. to confirm he or she still wants the cat.

To adopt a homeless cat from the Iowa City animal shelter, one must fill out a two-sided questionnaire that includes his or her name, Social Security number, medical history (allergies), prior animal ownership and what happened to those pets, knowledge of animal biology (life span of cats — 15-20 years) and theory of cat discipline ("squirt gun" is a good answer). There is a 24-hour cooling off period, during which time the animal shelter staff calls the applicant's landlord to make sure he or she can have a cat. They also perform a background check through their computers to ensure the applicant has not allowed prior pets to violate Iowa City's leash laws and prior pets have not been picked up by

the shelter for walking around in their back yard without a collar. The applicant has to call back the next day before 10 a.m. to confirm he or she still wants the cat.

When the applicant presents evidence that extra damage deposits to the landlord have been paid, the application is approved.

There is a \$15 fee for cat adoption, more for dogs, and a \$30 spay or neuter deposit.

Why is it harder to get a cat in Iowa City than a gun?

Every year in May, hundreds of animals are abandoned because they are inconvenient when their owners move away or graduate. That's what happened to my cat Schrödinger before I adopted him. He's an enormous black cat who fetches, jumps, attacks ankles, doesn't care if he gets squirted with a squirt gun and purrs constantly. His previous owner left town and the roommate didn't want him, so he ended up homeless at the shelter.

If you go adopt a cat, be prepared for a barrage of paperwork, and be prepared to keep it.

T.K. Kenyon is a member of the Writers' Workshop and an editorial writer.

Are you having trouble registering for any of your classes?



"I didn't have any problems, but I saved some classes for my friends. I had another friend save a class for me, also."
Nate Pollpeter
UI sophomore



"No, I didn't have any problems because I registered on the first day. I am graduating in May, anyway."
Erin Hocamp
UI senior



"All my classes were open, but I got stuck with a 7:30 a.m. rhetoric class."
Joe Goedken
UI freshman



"Actually, I didn't have any trouble at all."
Amanda Edgington
UI freshman



"I registered on the first day, but I didn't get any classes. I didn't get the times I wanted, either."
Michael Chung
UI junior

Hey, go g

Q: I'm in my first year of college and have gotten totally out of shape! I used to be so active in high school and now I don't seem to have the time or the money to join a gym. What can I do to be more fit and healthy without all the time and expense?

A: Way to go getting a handle on your health and fitness so early in your college career! Being able to recognize barriers to physical activity and creatively strategizing ways to overcome these barriers is the first step toward changing lifestyle behaviors.

Just recently, the Surgeon General's Office issued a comprehensive report on physical activity and health. Based on years of extensive research from many disciplines, three central tenants of the report have come to the fore:

1. People who are usually inactive can improve their health and well-being by becoming even moderately active on a regular basis.

2. Physical activity need not be strenuous to achieve health and fitness benefits.

3. Greater health benefits can be achieved by increasing the amount (frequency, intensity and duration) of physical activity.

You don't have to be an elite athlete to gain moderate levels of fitness. In fact, you don't have to work out in the traditional sense at all! There is another way, called the lifestyle approach, that doesn't require special equipment or health-club membership.

A moderate amount of physical activity is roughly equivalent to

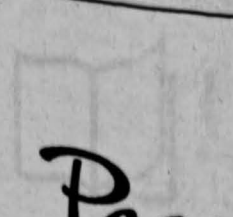
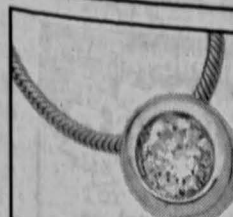
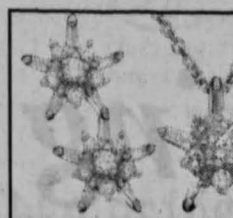


We often procrastinate because we're not in the mood to work on a project, or because it's something particularly unpleasant.

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Hey, go get some exercise (unless you want to put it off)

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physical activity that uses approximately 150 calories of energy per day, or 1,000 calories per week. An example of minimum doses of activity for moderate levels of fitness would be to walk two miles in 30 minutes or less at least three days per week, or walk two miles in 30-40 minutes five or six days per week.

Moderate levels of fitness can also be accomplished by choosing to exercise when and where you can. Options include taking the stairs instead of the elevator, walking or biking to and from classes or work, walking a dog, cleaning your room or apartment, shoveling snow for 15 minutes and doing household chores such as laundry or washing windows.

When you're studying, be sure and get up and move around every hour. This will get the blood flowing and help to relieve stress. Some light stretching would be good also. Recreational activities count, too. Activities such as playing volleyball for 45 minutes, shooting baskets for 30 minutes, 30 minutes of water aerobics, jumping rope for 15 minutes or social dancing fast for 30 minutes all help to increase fitness and enhance health status. These are also great ways to socialize.

Take a close look at your current schedule. Where can you realistically fit in more activity? Plan ahead when registering for your next semester of classes. If there are multiple sections of a course, adjust your schedule so you've scheduled an activity class in your day. Or better yet, take a P.E. course. If you are a full-time student, it won't make much of a difference in your tuition bill.

The key to a healthy, active lifestyle is to recognize the barriers that exist that keep you from being active and to allow yourself to be creative about developing strategies that will break down these

barriers. Remember, make your college life a moving experience!

Tracy Bartlett
Fitness specialist
Health Iowa/Student Health Service

Q: Once again, I've put things off all semester and am now panicking over the amount of work I have to do before finals. And it's not just studying, I am the world's worst procrastinator ... you name it, I haven't done it yet. Things always seem to work out in the end, but I'm getting tired of this lifestyle. How can I get out of this cycle?

A: Most people procrastinate to some degree ... it's human nature. Generally, we avoid tasks we view as unpleasant or overwhelming. Instead of getting started on a big project and doing a little, we sometimes put it off and do less important tasks. In reality, we rarely have large chunks (three to five hours) of time, and must make do with smaller amounts. If you're having trouble getting off the couch or using your time effectively, consider these ideas for tackling those terrible tasks:

1. Break the task into parts that can be accomplished in smaller time periods. For example, write the introduction to a paper or read one of the 10 chapters you've been putting off.

2. Use the Swiss cheese method: Poking holes in a large project creates instant tasks that require 5-15 minutes. It is possible to get something done in 5-15 minutes!

3. Try the "quit in five minutes rule." Most of us can endure almost anything for five minutes. Just getting started is the problem. Tell yourself you'll give a project five minutes and you'll quit if you haven't made progress. Often, you'll end up working productively much longer than that.

You're unlikely to be able to finish an entire project using the above methods, so you may need to

schedule some larger chunks of time.

We often procrastinate because we're not in the right mood to work on a certain project, or because the project is something particularly unpleasant. Here are some tips for completing tasks you may not be looking forward to.

1. There is usually at least one part of any project that doesn't seem totally unpleasant. Do what you can.

2. Build your motivation! Most research shows we won't start something we don't feel we can fin-

ish. Breaking large projects into smaller tasks may improve motivation.

3. Do ANYTHING, as long as it is at least related to your top priority project.

4. Identify what you are afraid of and deal with that. Procrastination often comes from unrealistic perfectionist tendencies, self-doubt or fear of change. Every project doesn't have to be perfect - choose a level that is good enough for each task.

Procrastination can be overcome. Always remember to ask: "What is the best use of my time right now?" With clear priorities you can get

things done, have time for fun, and avoid this problem next semester!

Sarah Hansen
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Tracy A. Bartlett

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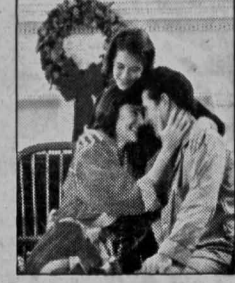
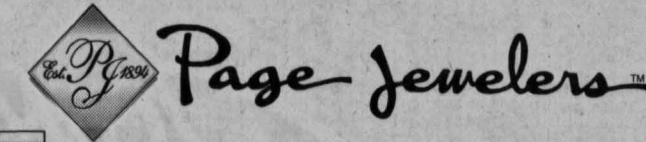
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2 killed in drive-by shooting near West Bank

Samar Assad
Associated Press

BEIT EL, West Bank — Arab gunmen opened fire on an Israeli car near a West Bank settlement Wednesday, killing an Israeli woman and her 12-year-old son and wounding four other members of their family.

The attack happened as Palestinian-Israeli tensions grew over Israel's plan to build 132 homes for Jews in an Arab neighborhood in east Jerusalem.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu denounced the attack as "the despicable act of murder" and said the Palestinians must hand over the killers.

"We expect them to ... arrest these murderers of children, murderers of women," he said.

Although no Palestinian group immediately claimed responsibility, Israeli Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai accused the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, one of the groups opposed to the peace process.

Israel sealed the West Bank city of Ramallah, where the gunmen were believed to have fled.

The Palestinian Authority condemned the shootings, saying, "an attack of this kind will give the Israeli government a pretext to delay the implementation of the peace process."

The shooting Wednesday evening near the Beit El settlement and the Palestinian village of Surda involved three assailants armed with two automatic weapons, said Avigdor Schatz, a settler in charge of security for Jewish settlements in the area. He said they were driving a car with blue West Bank license plates and had come from the direction of Ramallah.

They fired more than 30 bullets at the Israelis before fleeing to Ramallah, which is out of reach for Israeli security forces under the Israel-PLO autonomy agreement, Israeli media reported.

The driver managed to get to the Beit El gas station to report the shooting, Israel army radio said.

The victims were Ita Tsur, 42, and her son Ephraim. The father and three children were wounded.

Maj. Gen. Uzi Dayan, Israel's top officer in the West Bank, said Palestinian authorities said they found a car fitting the description of the assailants' vehicle burning in a garbage



Associated Press

Medical personnel help a wounded girl out of an ambulance at a Jerusalem hospital Wednesday. Gunmen shot at a car carrying an Israeli Jewish family near the settlement of Beit El.

dump. Dayan said Israeli troops then entered Ramallah — apparently in coordination with the Palestinians — to check the car.

Several drive-by shootings have been carried out in the last three years by Palestinian militants, most recently in August.

The attack came at a time of tense relations between Israel's hard-line government and Yasser Arafat's Palestinian Authority.

The two sides have tried unsuccessfully for the past two months to negotiate the terms of an Israeli troop pullback from Hebron, the last West Bank city under Israeli occupation.

The Palestinians, meanwhile, angrily denounced the Jerusalem city planning board's approval Tuesday of 132 apartments for Jews in the heart of an Arab neighborhood in east Jerusalem.

The Palestinians want the eastern Arab half of Jerusalem, which Israel seized from Jordan in the 1967 Middle East war, as the capital of a

future Palestinian state.

The construction is to take place on three and a half acres bought by Miami millionaire Irving Moskowitz in the Ras al-Amud neighborhood.

Arafat said Wednesday the project was a "serious breach" of the Israeli-Palestinian peace agreements.

Faisal Husseini, the top PLO official in Jerusalem, warned Palestinians would riot if the construction goes ahead and said the violence would be comparable to the gun battles between Israeli and Palestinian troops that killed 79 people in September. The September riots were prompted by Israel's opening of a new entrance to a tourist tunnel near Muslim holy sites in Jerusalem.

Husseini met Wednesday with Palestinian legislators and Israeli peace activists to discuss ways to stop the construction. A protest rally was planned for Friday.

Sen. Harkin: Avoid toys made by abused children

Cassandra Burrell
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As Americans watch their children unwrap gifts this holiday season, they should think of the youngsters who probably made them for pennies a day in foreign countries, Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin said Wednesday.

He and consumer advocate Ralph Nader asked parents to avoid buying toys and other gifts that could have been made in countries with widespread abusive child labor.

"It's ironic that when consumers buy a can of tuna fish, they know if dolphins are protected, but when they buy their holiday gifts, they don't know if children are protected," Harkin, a Democrat, said.

"In this country, child labor is illegal," Nader said. "But child labor abroad can produce items like carpets and sell them legally in this country."

Harkin advised shoppers to:

- Look for a "Made in the USA" label. While such a label does not guarantee a product wasn't made through "child exploitation or other labor abuses," he said, child labor is largely a problem with foreign-made goods.

- Ask retailers what steps they're taking to stock products that are not made by children and urge them to carry products that are certified "child-labor free."

- Contact manufacturers directly and the celebrities who endorse their products to ask what they're doing to ensure their products were not made with child labor.

- Call trade groups and local

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chambers of commerce to urge them to support independent monitoring efforts. Tell friends and neighbors about the problem and urge them to get involved.

- Ask their elected officials to support a bill Harkin will introduce that would ask manufacturers to voluntarily label their sporting goods and clothing products as free of child labor.

About 250 million children between the ages of 5 and 14 are working in developing countries, according to the International Labour Organization. About 61 percent of child workers are in Asia, 32 percent are in Africa and 7 percent live in Latin America, the group said.

"The caring consumer must be willing to inquire, to suggest or to protest," Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., said in a written statement. "If enough consumers take these steps, companies will respond."

Harkin said he also will reintroduce another bill that would ban importation of goods made through abusive child labor when Congress reconvenes in January. The bill drew little support during the 104th Congress.

FDA panel

Lauran Neergaard
Associated Press

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Associated Press

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NewsBrief

Du Pont lawyers to use insanity defense

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — John E. du Pont's lawyers said Wednesday he suffers from paranoid schizophrenia and they will use an insanity defense when the millionaire's murder trial starts next month.

Du Pont "has been and continues to be psychotic," his lawyers said in court papers filed Wednesday.

"The exact date of the onset of paranoid schizophrenia is uncertain, but clearly established by 1993 and continues to the present," they said.

Du Pont, 58, is charged with shooting and killing Olympic wrestler Dave Schultz. The heir to the DuPont Co. chemical fortune holed up inside his mansion for two days after the January shooting before police captured him.

A judge this week found du Pont competent to stand trial, after psychiatrists said Monday that heavy doses of anti-psychotic drugs had helped clear his head.

Du Pont's trial is set to begin Jan. 21. His lawyers had 48 hours from the competency finding to announce their intention to plead insanity.

LEGAL MATTERS

POLICE

Sampson J. Alperin, 20, 1028 N. Governor St., was charged with fifth-degree theft at Country Kitchen on Dec. 10 at 5:05 a.m.

Willie L. Lewis, 20, 3455 E. Court St., Apt. 8, was charged with second-degree domestic assault at 3455 E. Court St., Apt. 8, on Dec. 10 at 6:37 p.m.

Beverly J. Hogan, 45, address unknown, was charged with public intoxication at 632 S. Dodge St. on Dec. 10 at 8:38 p.m.

Martelle L. Knox, 23, 1960 Broadway, Apt. 12A, was charged with public intoxication in the 1900 block of Broadway on Dec. 10 at 11:14 p.m.

Miguel A. Crowder, 18, 2128 Riverside Drive, was charged with possession of a schedule I controlled substance in the 10 block of East Washington Street on Dec. 10 at 3:37 p.m.

Compiled by Mike Waller

COURTS

Magistrate

Public intoxication — Martelle L. Knox, 1960 Broadway, Apt. 12A, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 23 at 2 p.m.

OWI — Steven W. Szyszka, Norway, Iowa, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 26 at 2 p.m.; Bradley L. Tripses, Lone Tree, Iowa, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 26 at 2 p.m.

Assault causing injury — James D. York, Coralville, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 26 at 2 p.m.; Willie L. Lewis, 3455 E. Court St., Apt. 8, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 23 at 2 p.m.

Second-degree theft — Jermaine Roberts, Gary, Ind., preliminary hearing set for Dec. 23 at 2 p.m.

Possession of a schedule I controlled substance — Miguel A. Crowder, 2128 S. Riverside Drive, Apt. 5, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 26 at 2 p.m.

TRANSITIONS

Marriage Licenses

Kevin McCue and **Kandace Brimmer**, both of Iowa City, on Dec. 10.

Mackenzie Iwen and **Adrienne Lloyd**, both of Iowa City, on Dec. 10.

Scott Fisher and **Loreen Manning**, of Coralville and North Liberty, respectively, on Dec. 10.

Jimmy Halverson and **Wanda Simmons**, both of Iowa City, on Dec. 10.

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CALENDAR

TODAY'S EVENTS

Environmental Advocates will sponsor a holiday event at First Christian Church, 217 Iowa Ave., at 7 p.m.

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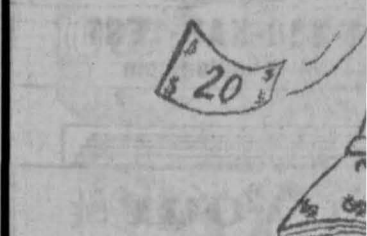
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Medicine

FDA panel approves diabetes drug

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and as a bonus, decrease the body's production of glucose.

"Rezulin is not a drug that just has people taking less insulin," Parke Davis researcher Dr. Randall Whitcomb said. "This is a drug that improves glycemic control."

Some 16 million Americans have diabetes, although only half are diagnosed. Type I diabetes typically strikes children, who cannot produce any insulin and need daily shots of the hormone to survive. Rezulin should never be used by them.

But the vast majority of diabetics have Type II, or adult-onset, diabetes, where the pancreas produces more and more insulin but their blood sugar continues to rise. They are at risk for kidney damage, blindness, heart disease and other complications.

Diet, exercise and pills to boost insulin production and decrease glucose production can help, but over 40 percent of Type II diabetics eventually need insulin shots. Even then, many can't get high enough doses to stay healthy — or the inconvenience of taking shots and the weight gain the insulin can cause dissuade patients from taking proper care of themselves.

Only these poorly controlled Type II patients — an estimated 1

million people — should be considered for Rezulin treatment, the FDA panel decided.

In one study of 222 patients, those taking 400 milligrams of Rezulin a day for six months slashed their daily insulin dose by 58 percent, Parke Davis reported. Approximately 15 percent of patients were able to stop taking insulin altogether.

Another trial found Rezulin helped patients with average glucose levels of 215 milligrams per deciliter of blood — extraordinarily high — drop their blood sugar by about 50 milligrams. Normally, glucose should be below 140 milligrams.

The FDA is not bound by advisory panel decisions but usually follows them. The American Diabetes Association expects approval of Rezulin, which was discovered in Japan and already is sold there.

"It will be easier to take care of patients with pills than insulin," ADA president-elect Dr. Mayer Davidson said.

And Parke Davis expects this to be just the first use of Rezulin. It is studying the drug as an alternative to insulin, and the National Institute of Health is studying whether early use could actually help at-risk patients avoid getting diabetes.

MEDICAL BREAKTHROUGH

Doctors cure fetus of disease before birth

Daniel Haney
Associated Press

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Victims cannot fight off microbes, and even a minor bug

can be fatal. The babies fail to make T-cells, a variety of white blood cell that is essential for warding off infection.

In recent years, doctors have attempted to cure these babies by giving them bone marrow transplants shortly after birth. When all goes well, the transplanted marrow produces the blood cells they lack.

However, about one-third of the transplants fail. David, who spent his life inside a germ-free plastic tent, died in 1984 at age 12 after such an attempt.

Giving the transplant before birth is intended to get around many of the problems and hazards of the treatment.

The boy who received the transplant in the womb is the second son of a woman who carried a mutant gene that causes the disorder. Her first son died of it at age seven months.

Doctors performed genetic testing on the second pregnancy and found this fetus, too, had the bad gene. The family decided to let doctors try to fix the defect before birth. They removed some of the father's bone marrow and injected it into the fetus' abdomen in three treatments one week apart.

Since birth, the boy has caught two colds and recovered from them normally. His bloodstream carries the usual number of T-cells.

"By all appearances, he is cured

of his disease," Flake said.

Doctors often don't realize a baby has SCIDS until after birth. But in families with a history of the disease, they can look for it during pregnancy.

Flake said the prenatal treatment has several advantages over waiting until birth to do the transplant.

• The fetal immune defenses are immature, so the fetus does not reject the transplanted tissue.

• After birth, doctors have to give chemotherapy to destroy some of the baby's marrow to make room for the transplant. In the fetal stage, this is not necessary.

• When treated after birth, babies have to be kept in germ-free surroundings for three or four months until the transplanted tissue begins to work. But this too is unnecessary before birth, since the fetus is already in a sterile environment — the womb.

Dr. William Shearer, who was David's primary physician at Texas Children's Hospital, called the fetal transplants an important advance. "It's a high-risk procedure, but in competent hands it opens up a new avenue for therapy," he said.

Italian doctors repeated Flake's treatment on a SCIDS baby several months later and published a report on their success in the British journal *Lancet* in November.

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Air-bag safety questions present dilemma

Catherine O'Brien
Associated Press

SILVER SPRING, Md. — With her 7-year-old son in tow, Michelle Mills peered in the window of a white sport utility vehicle and pondered the hazards its dual air bags might pose to children.

"You hear good things and bad things on the news about them these days; it's hard to tell," Mills said as she shopped for a new car in this suburb of the nation's capital.

"I have concerns, but all and all I feel a little safer" with them, she said.

It's a tough question for consumers who are confronted with reports that air bags have killed 32 children while saving the lives of many adult drivers involved in head-on, higher-speed crashes.

The number of child deaths is rising — there has been 18 so far this year. But many experts say the statistics support Mills' view that the value of air bags outweighs the dangers. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says air bags saved 1,136

lives from 1986-95 and at least 450 this year.

The figure is accelerating because more and more cars are equipped with the devices as automakers face a 1998 deadline for putting dual air bags in all new cars.

Almost 30 million vehicles have one air bag; 24 million more have two.

Of the children who have been killed, nine were infants who suffered fatal head injuries when air bags slammed into rear-facing car seats resting close to the dashboard.

Because of their small size, children especially are vulnerable to the force of the air bag. In most cases the explosively deploying bag delivered a severe blow to the child's head and neck.

Air bags also have killed 19 drivers in low-speed accidents that they otherwise should have survived. All but four of those adults were small women, and most of them were close to the steering wheel when the air bag deployed, according to government accident data.

Most of them also were not wearing seat belts, which protect passengers from getting too close to the bag during pre-crash braking.

Air bags also are less effective for drivers age 70 or older who have slight frames, the government study said. Accident data show seven adults killed by air bags were older than 70.

Of the children who were not in car seats — they ranged in age up to 9 — most were not wearing lap belts. That means they ended up too close to the air bag as it deployed with a loud bang at up to 200 mph.

Four of the children were wearing lap belts but not shoulder belts, accident reports show. Government officials are concerned children without shoulder belts are being pushed forward by momentum during pre-crash braking and into the danger zone close to the dash where the air bag deploys.

But at least one child had a lap and shoulder belt on and was still killed, prompting agency officials to recommend children age 12 and younger should ride in the back seat.

Government officials warn that infants in rear-facing car seats must ride in the back. Most child-safety experts believe children under age 1 need to be in rear-facing infant seats because their muscles are not developed enough to ride through a strong crash in a forward-facing seat.

Air bags are about as effective on the passenger side for those older than 12 as for drivers. The federal study showed they reduced deaths on the right-front side by 10 percent — roughly the same as the 11 percent on the driver's side.

Harold and Brenda Hayes of Clinton, Md., know the dangers air bags might pose for their 3-year-old son. But they said they want dual air bags in the new pickup truck they're looking to buy because the family will be safer.

They said their son, Harold, always rides in the back. But they also want a cutoff switch for the passenger side air bag.

"I'd definitely get dual air bags," said Brenda Hayes. "If they're used properly, they're a good thing."

INTERNET

FBI probes 20 cities in on-line child porn inquiry

Michael Sniffen
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — FBI agents conducted searches in 20 cities Wednesday as part of its nationwide investigation into the use of computer on-line services and the Internet to lure children into illicit sex and to distribute child pornography.

No arrests were made during the court-approved searches, according to Larry Faust, spokesperson for the FBI's Baltimore office, which is coordinating the investigation, code-named "Innocent Images."

Agents in 51 of the FBI's 56 field offices have participated as well as local or state police in Washington, D.C.; Arlington, Va.; Florida; and Montgomery County, Md. Decisions on arrests will be made later after prosecutors review the materials seized in the searches.

Before Wednesday, the 3-year-old investigation had resulted in 80 arrests, 103 indictments and charges filed by criminal information, 66 felony convictions and 207 searches. FBI Director Louis Freeh said Wednesday's searches "are a continuation of a highly successful investigation."

"These cases have already revealed the ease and frequency with which criminals have used modern technology to cause grave harm to children," Freeh said. "These crimes, preying on innocent children, represent every parent's worst nightmare."

The FBI noted that computer on-line and Internet access can give pedophiles and other strangers the ability to contact children without the knowledge of even the most careful parents.

The nationwide investigation began as a result of widespread electronic distribution of child

pornography that was discovered by agents looking into the disappearance of George Burdinski, a 10-year-old who was abducted from his Brentwood, Md., neighborhood in May 1993. The boy has never been found.

But investigators uncovered adults across the nation using computers to lure minors into illicit sex with pedophiles and to transmit pictures of minors that show full frontal nudity and sexually explicit activities. Pornographic images of children as young as 2 years old have been displayed on-line, the FBI said.

TRAFFIC

Reno, Supreme Court haggle over police power

Richard Carelli
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Attorney General Janet Reno's debut as an advocate before the Supreme Court turned bumpy Wednesday as justices challenged her call for giving police greater authority to order passengers out of cars.

Reno's 10-minute argument repeatedly was interrupted by justices voicing doubt about the wisdom of allowing police officers to make everyone get out of a car stopped for a routine traffic violation.

The nation's top law enforcement official traditionally makes at least one appearance before the highest court.

It was thought Reno, whose return for President Clinton's second term is uncertain, had followed the practice of picking one the government was sure to win.

But even the conservative court's most ardent law-and-order champions seemed troubled by the arguments Reno and Maryland Attorney General J. Joseph Curran offered.

"You want no reasonableness limitation," Justice Antonin Scalia told Reno before asking her whether a police officer who stops a speeding bus can order all passengers to get out while the driver is questioned.

"That might be a more difficult case," Reno replied.

But Scalia snapped, "Not for you. You want no reasonableness limitation."

While Reno said she favored

allowing "a brief, temporary stop" of car passengers, Justice Anthony Kennedy disagreed. "It's a prolonged seizure," he said.

Reno contended police officers "are vulnerable to attack, not just from the driver but from the passenger. ... It's the person seated in the vehicle that creates the danger."

Justice Stephen Breyer seemed to speak for most of his colleagues when he stated: "The question is the risk of abuse."

The high court ruled in 1977 that motorists stopped for routine offenses can be ordered by police to get out of their cars.

But University of Baltimore law professor Byron Warnken argued Wednesday against extending that ruling to passengers.

He represented Jerry Lee Wilson, a Florence, S.C., man arrested in 1994 after the car in which he was riding was stopped along Interstate 95 outside Baltimore. When ordered out of the car, Wilson dropped a packet of crack cocaine.

Maryland courts refused to let prosecutors use the cocaine as evidence against Wilson, ruling police unlawfully ordered him out of the car.

The state courts ruled the order violated Wilson's Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable searches and seizures.

About half the states let police make such demands, but there are no statistical studies comparing police safety in those states with others.

"I resent being put in the position

of deciding this case on speculation," Scalia said in referring to the absence of such a comparison.

A decision is expected by July.

Curran, too, ran into a slew of questions. In increasingly hostile tones, Justice Sandra Day O'Connor inquired how long passengers could stand by while a driver's license and registration were checked.

She asked Curran about a young woman and her baby forced out of the car and into a driving rain or snowstorm, or a driver's confused and elderly parent who doesn't understand police orders and wanders away.

"If he doesn't understand, shoot him?" she asked Curran sharply. "This could be carried to extremes, and you don't seem to recognize that

there's a difference."

When Curran said the reality of "physics" means a car's passenger is seized along with its driver when it is stopped by the police, Kennedy cut him off.

"It's not just physics. It's privacy and dignity," Kennedy said. "I'm concerned that you're going to have a routine practice of whole families being required to stand outside the car while the officer lectures the driver."

The rapid-fire, hour-long session had some lighter moments as well.

When Scalia suggested some passengers might say "thank goodness" when police stop their car, Justice David Souter said, "You can see what Justice Scalia's passengers feel like."

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Actor beaten as protests continue

Dusan Stojanovic
Associated Press

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — Opponents of Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic accused police Wednesday of accosting a prominent actor on a street corner, beating him unconscious and detaining him in an effort to intimidate protesters.

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Slavoljub Visnjic, bus driver

The opposition coalition Zajedno or Together, quoted witnesses saying Baletic, a member of the National Theater, was beaten by four police officers, lost consciousness and was handcuffed and bundled into a police car.

The coalition said Baletic had taken part in protests and was scheduled to address a rally in Serbia's second-largest city, Novi Sad.

After 21-year-old protest leader Dejan Bulatovic was arrested and beaten over the weekend, it was clear police wanted "to scare the citizens by beating up the demonstrators," the opposition said in a statement.

The coalition said its lawyer was seeking his release. Police would not comment on the beating report.

Even before the news of the latest alleged beating, some of the protesters, who have been marching peacefully for 22 days against Milosevic, were getting frustrated.

"We can march like this for years, but it doesn't seem to work," said Slavoljub Visnjic, a bus driver. "I'm starting to think this is worthless. He can be ousted only by violence."

An opposition leader acknowledged the difficulty of the task.

"We are like a swimmer in the middle of a river," Zoran Djindjic said. "We cannot go back, as the awaits us the last Communist regime in Europe. We can only

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Associated Press

Protesters fill a Belgrade street during a march Wednesday. Approximately 100,000 students marched through the Yugoslav capital on the 23rd day of demonstrations against Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic and his government's policies.

swim across, despite the risk of drowning."

Milosevic has remained quiet throughout the protests — the largest against him since he came to power in 1987 — hoping they will fizzle as they have in the past.

Diplomats and the independent *Nedeljni Telegraf* weekly said U.S. and British diplomats in Belgrade have secretly intervened, but have failed to reach a compromise.

They said Milosevic offered to hold new local elections. Opposition victories Nov. 17 were annulled by courts Milosevic controls, triggering the daily protests and an opposition boycott.

Milosevic's Socialists won in repeat voting. The opposition rejected the idea of repeating the elections a second time because it would mean relinquishing its victory in the first election.

A diplomat, speaking on condition of anonymity, said a somber Milosevic showed no sign he was willing to return the election victory.

Milosevic has begun using state media to play on nationalist sentiment. It's not the massive propaganda Milosevic used to consolidate power in the late 1980s and instigate wars in Croatia in 1991

and Bosnia in 1992, but it pushes some of the same buttons.

Playing on deep distrust of Albanians, pro-Milosevic newspapers claim the opposition is funded by ethnic Albanian drug traffickers, and serves U.S. interests to keep Serbia weak. The message has been reinforced on state TV, the source of news for most Serbs.

There haven't been many nationalists among the protesters, and Milosevic apparently wants to keep them at home.

Nationalism is still strong in Serbia: The ultranationalist Radical Party of Vojislav Seselj won almost as many votes as the anti-Communist opposition coalition in separate national elections earlier in November.

On Tuesday, the banner headline in a new weekly government tabloid was: "The CIA is carrying out its plan: Albanian mafia is financing the demonstrations."

Wednesday, *Politika Ekspres* claimed the United States wanted to make Serbia weak so it would be easier to deal with Serbs in Bosnia and Croatia and force a solution to the Serb conflict with the ethnic Albanian majority in Kosovo province.

Hong Kong elects post-colonial leader

Marcus Eliason
Associated Press

HONG KONG — When the applause was over and the delegates were gone, a lone man stood in the cavernous hall against a gigantic backdrop of red curtain emblazoned with the emblem of Communist China.

Wednesday's tableau seemed to sum up the pressures and loneliness at the top that loom for Tung Chee-hwa, the man the delegates overwhelmingly elected to be Hong Kong's first post-colonial leader.

It also was a moment of historic symbolism. A man whose family fled Communist China for the sanctuary of the British empire in 1949 now finds himself leading 6.3 million people back into the Chinese embrace and closing the book on Hong Kong's imperial past.

In 202 days, on July 1, this robust shipping tycoon — with his engaging grin and drill sergeant's crew cut — will replace the colony's last British governor and take office as chief executive of Hong Kong.

He was tipped from the outset as Beijing's favorite. Now, he must show he can uphold the freedoms China has promised Hong Kong, without antagonizing a Chinese government whose idea of freedom is very different from what colonial Hong Kong is used to.

The Democratic Party, the colony's largest, opposed the system that elected Tung, in which the only voters were 400 notables picked by China and all trusted to take their cue from Beijing.

The Democrats refuse to believe anyone chosen under China's rules could be anything but China's yes man. The 59-year-old Tung will have to prove them wrong, or risk alienating their large public follow-

ing. The Democrats regard Tung as insensitive to human rights, reading his advocacy of "Chinese values" as code for restricting individual rights in the name of Communism and nationalism.

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Winston Lord, State Department chief of East Asian affairs

Perhaps the most pointed reminder of the task ahead came in the congratulatory message from Gov. Chris Patten, who urged Tung "to defend Hong Kong's interests and the autonomy guaranteed to it ... the rule of law, a level playing field for business, the protection of individual rights and freedoms in an open and accountable society and a first-class economic infrastructure."

Tung may not seem to an outsider to be Beijing's kind of guy. He's a former stalwart of the colonial order; a man steeped in the capitalist ethos; a tycoon with a passion for American football.

What will matter, however, is his business skill in managing Hong Kong, which accounts for one-quarter of China's gross domestic product, handles one-quarter of its exports, and is the guide and powerhouse of China's own economic revolution.

The job also is highly political. After 155 years under Britain, Hong Kong's style and standards are a long way from China's, and Chinese suspicions of this Western outpost will not die easily.

So if a Hong Kong newspaper attacks the Chinese president, will

Tung order it suppressed? Tung's response to such questions is guarded. He says he is not against democracy and the right to protest, but favors settling arguments quietly, by consensus.

"People in America emphasize

rights, rights. I'm not saying they're wrong, but the Chinese believe duty is far more important than rights," he has said.

Such disciplinarian attitudes provoke comparisons to Lee Kuan Yew, Singapore's elder statesman — something Tung takes as a compliment.

He served in Patten's cabinet from 1992 until May. He is on close terms with senior American officials, and is related by marriage to Winston Lord, the State Department's chief of East Asian affairs.

"He is a man of great integrity," Lord said. "He's a strong individual. I think he's independent-minded."

Tung was born in Shanghai to a shipping family that took him to Hong Kong when he was 11. He went to college in Britain, worked for a decade in the United States, and succeeded his late father as head of the \$300 million container line, Orient Overseas (International) Ltd.

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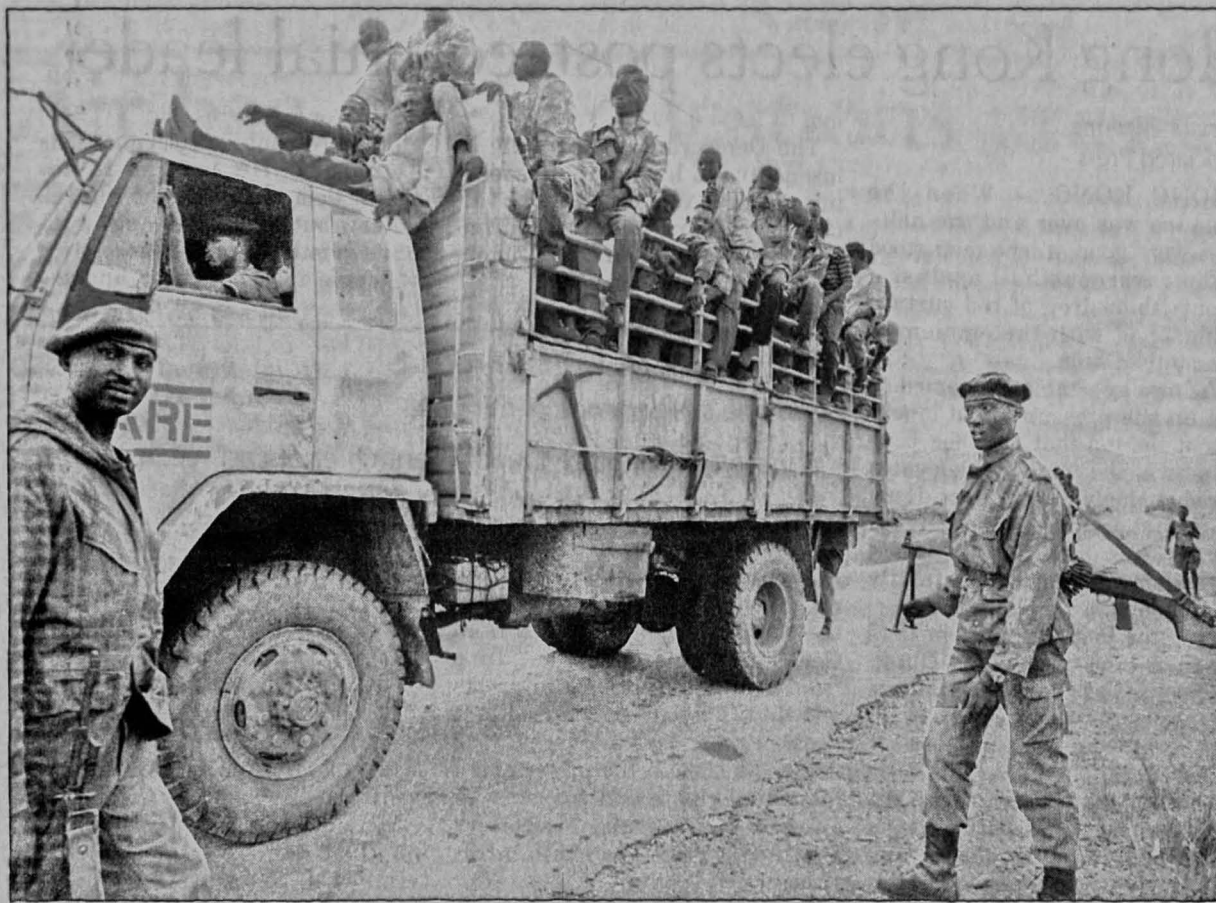
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Associated Press

Zairian rebel troops guard Zairian government soldiers Wednesday. The soldiers have surrendered after six weeks of fighting in eastern Zaire and will be retrained to join the Alliance of Democratic Forces for Liberation in their fight against the regime of President Mobutu Sese Seko.

Refugees discovered in Zaire

Chris Tomlinson
Associated Press

BENI, Zaire — Aid workers in eastern Zaire have found 100,000 Rwandan and Burundian refugees who had been driven from their camps weeks ago by fighting, U.N. officials said Wednesday.

The refugees were "malnourished and stricken by diseases," U.N. spokesperson Sylvana Foa said in New York, citing reports from the U.N. high commissioner for refugees.

The refugees were found in Shabunda, 270 miles southwest of Beni and 100 miles west of Bukavu, near the Rwandan border.

Relief agencies in the region have begun an emergency airlift, mainly of high-protein biscuits and medicines, Foa told reporters.

The international Red Cross and the United Nations' World Food Program were launching airlifts from Nairobi, Kenya, and Entebbe, Uganda, the U.N. high commis-

sioner for refugees said. The planes were to carry the goods to the central Zairian town of Kindu, where the supplies will be transferred to smaller planes. The Shabunda area lacks a large airfield.

Fighting between Zairian rebels and government soldiers in October dispersed hundreds of thousands of refugees from their camps in eastern Zaire. The number of refugees remaining in the country has been disputed.

At least 640,000 refugees have returned to Rwanda after two and a half years of exile sparked by the Hutu-led slaughter of half a million ethnic Tutsis. Other refugees moved to neighboring Tanzania.

The U.N. refugee agency and Tanzania have asked the 535,000 Rwandan refugees there to go home by Dec. 31. More than 4,000 have gone home so far this month, the agency said, and 10,000 others are expected to do so this weekend. The refugees are being trans-

ported home by truck, agency spokesperson Peter Kessler said.

Rebels of the Alliance of Democratic Forces for Liberation have faced little resistance over the past two months as they pushed north through eastern Zaire. They now control a swath of land more than 310 miles long and say they intend to push west toward the capital, Kinshasa, hundreds of miles away, and oust Zairian President Mobutu Sese Seko.

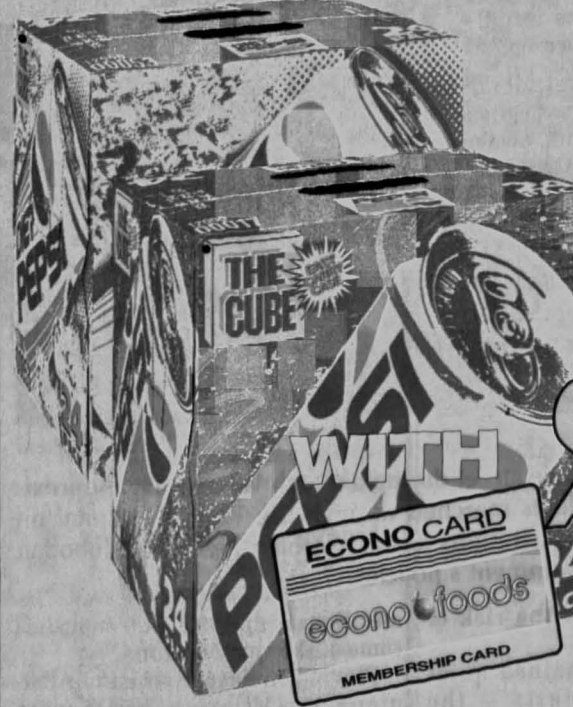
On Monday, demoralized government troops abandoned their last stronghold in northeast Zaire, the city of Bunia, 100 miles north of Beni.

Bunia residents contacted by radio Tuesday said rebels were in control of the city, a gold mining site and major trading center in Ituri province on the Ugandan border.

About 100 Zairian soldiers who fled Bunia were in Uganda on Wednesday, the Ugandan daily *New Vision* reported.



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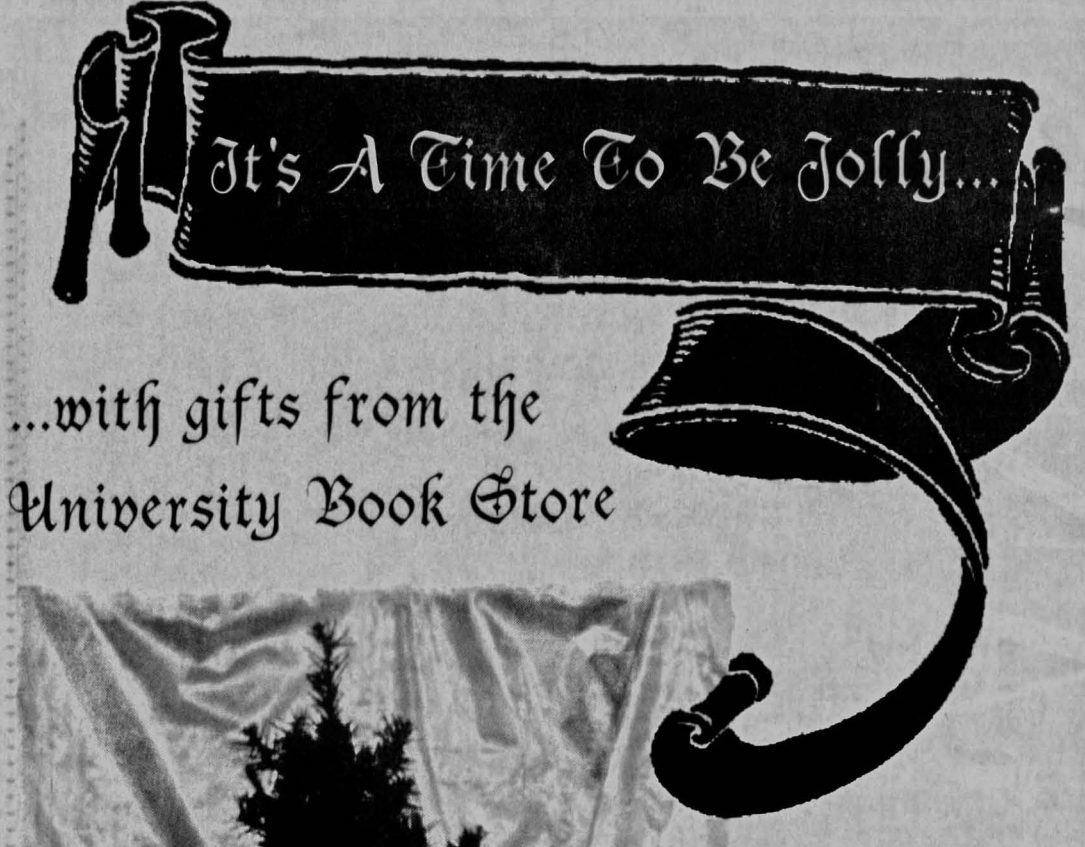
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One of the hottest trends: Internet access products that "broadcast" Web content to users' computers continuously, freeing them from the trouble of searching the Internet for what they want.

The first company to demonstrate the idea was PointCast, with a product that constantly delivers news headlines and other material from Web sites onto a screen saver on your PC.

One problem is home users — unlike corporations with continuous Internet connections — must dial a modem periodically to get on the Net and update the information.

A company solving that problem is AirMedia, which offers automatic, constant broadcasts of Web-based news, stock quotes and other information to PC users who lack a fast and continuous Internet connection. It uses a small pyramid-

shaped receiver that plugs into the PC and uses wireless technology to receive Web material from the company's broadcast service.

AirMedia's technology doesn't let you custom-tailor information. But observers say improved services from broadcasters are only a matter of time. In the future, Internet systems will automatically adapt to your tastes, changing what they send depending on what you've recently clicked on.

"Essentially, every individual will have his own 'newspaper' and own news feed and all the information you want. And the system will learn from day-to-day about your interests," said Andrew Kantor, a senior editor at *Internet World* magazine, which is sponsoring the exposition.

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Portuguese, said the situation is not as bad as it appears.

"Most of the crowded classes are upper-level classes," Duarte said. "Most majors need to take a class at that level, but they have many to choose from."

However, UI senior Laura Posey said she had her share of problems trying to get into classes.

"If you don't have (an early registration date), you really don't stand a chance of getting what you want," Posey said.

Posey said certain classes are required, and they only are offered during one semester of the year.

"If you have Spanish as your minor, you have more of a problem," Posey said. "Some classes don't even use the access code (giving priority to Spanish majors) and they are open to everyone, so you have the same chance as anyone else."

Lower-level classes also are crowded because they are used to

satisfy a segment of the General Education Program, in addition to being prerequisites for a Spanish major.

Duarte said the Spanish Department has approximately 200 students registered as majors. The number of Spanish minors creates more problems, she said. Statistics are not available on the number of Spanish minors because there's no official count of minors.

"There is an increase in the number of students taking Spanish for their minors also," Duarte said. "We cannot accurately count them."

Duarte attributed the increase in the popularity of Spanish to the fact that it is often taught in high schools.

"It all has to do with the choice of languages," Duarte said. "Students having had Spanish in high school will continue on with it in college."

Another reason for the increase in the number of students studying Spanish is due to the Foreign Lan-

guage Incentive Program (FLIP). If entering freshmen test out of the foreign-language requirement on a language-placement exam but take the language anyway, they receive extra credit hours toward graduation. Many students choose to acquire FLIP credit through Spanish classes.

Duarte said the department tries hard to get everyone in the classes they need. In order to accommodate more students after fall registration last year, Duarte said the department raised the limit on the number of students each class could hold. Beyond that, Duarte said there is not much the department can do.

"We staff as many classes as possible; we just need to find people to teach," Duarte said.

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are ordering coffee. We are open 24 hours a day, and students usually stay until 2 or 3 in the morning."

After finals are over, students will be stress-free and on vacation for a month. Laurie Tulchin, owner of Blimpie/Uncommon Grounds, 118 S. Dubuque St., said business from UI students is missed during breaks.

"We always have a great crowd in here, finals week or not," Tulchin said. "Finals helps business, but the UI has been great to us, period. We really miss the students when they're gone."

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Gauger said his store does not carry many of the popular advertised toys, and instead caters to more alternative toys.

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Gauger said the Fun Zone has bizarre and educational toys that cater to people of all ages. He said one of this year's best sellers are Triop Dinosaur Shrimps.

"Triop Dinosaur Shrimp are Sea Monkeys with attitudes. They literally eat Sea Monkeys for breakfast," Gauger said.

Gauger said another best seller this season is Beanie Babies, a stuffed toy that comes in 75 different animal varieties. He said Beanie Babies are a high-quality product at a low price, which makes them one of the most popular toys.

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mind? And if not, reconcile the fact with God's omnipotence,'" he said. "Students had to decide if God's omnipotence allowed Him to change His mind, even in light of the doctrine that says God can't change."

UI senior Sonali Patel, a math major, said she even took a creative math final in mathematics Associate Professor Walter Seaman's Discreet Mathematical Models class.

"My tests are usually just the usual calculus-type math problems," she said. "In Professor Seaman's class, we had to give a presentation either in front of the class or in his office. We were allowed to use any audio-visual aid, and creativity was part of the grade."

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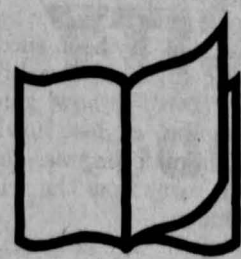
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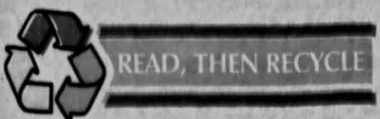
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Lee: No excuse for loss to Cornhuskers

Wayne Drehs
The Daily Iowan

Iowa women's basketball coach Angie Lee could make every excuse for her team's 73-67 loss to Nebraska Sunday at the Kona Women's Classic in Hawaii — but she won't.

Instead Lee puts the blame on her team's rebounding efforts against the Cornhuskers and her squad's lack of continuity.

"The point is, if you are going to have 25 turnovers and give up 18 offensive rebounds in a game, you are not going to beat anybody," Lee said.

"I could tell you our luggage didn't come in when we landed. I could tell you we didn't even have 15 hours of recovery to prepare for Nebraska and they had a day in-between, but that's insignificant. The thing is that there were some things that we clearly didn't address and get done and that's why we got beat."

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The struggles under the glass come from a team that averaged 41.6 rebounds per game last season, the third highest average in team history. Iowa was out-rebounded by its opponents eight times last season in 32 games.

This year, the Hawkeyes have already been out-rebounded three times in six contests.

"Our rebounding is very much a source of concern," Lee said. "Rebounding is an attitude. Part of it is technique, but the way you get

a rebound is by being aggressive and pursuing and going after it. That's just something this team is not doing very well right now."

For a team that finished last season with a heartbreaking loss to Vanderbilt in the NCAA tournament, the questions of aggressiveness, effort and desire shouldn't be popping up. Many of the players on the team said at Media Day they were hungry to get back on the court to get revenge for the Vanderbilt loss.

"I don't know why we would be

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High Hopes

After fourth-place finish in 1995, Hawks may spring to a national title this season

Chris James
The Daily Iowan

The collegiate gymnastics world will descend on Carver-Hawkeye Arena for the 1997 NCAA Men's Gymnastics Championships on April 17.

Frankly, the host Hawkeyes hope their guests go home empty-handed.

"This is an excellent opportunity for us to win the whole thing," senior Mike Townsend said. "It's in our building and we want to improve on our fourth place finish at nationals last year."

Last season, Iowa came home from Stanford with seven all-Americans and one NCAA champion, but finished .35 points out of third place. Only the top three teams advanced

to the finals to compete for the national championship.

This year's team has the daunting task of replacing four seniors.

"It was our best finish in the NCAA's in 20 years," Iowa coach Tom Dunn said. "We had a very strong team, but sometimes when we needed to get a break, we didn't."

This year's team won't be labeled as inexperienced. Townsend added that depth won't be a problem this season. The Hawkeyes return 16 gymnasts, including six seniors.

"We have tremendous depth," Townsend said. "This should help us if we start to have the injuries we had last year. Last year we were hit pretty hard when we didn't have the bodies to fill in."

Senior Greg Gebhardt will be one to watch in the pommel horse after finishing fourth at the NCAA Championships last year.

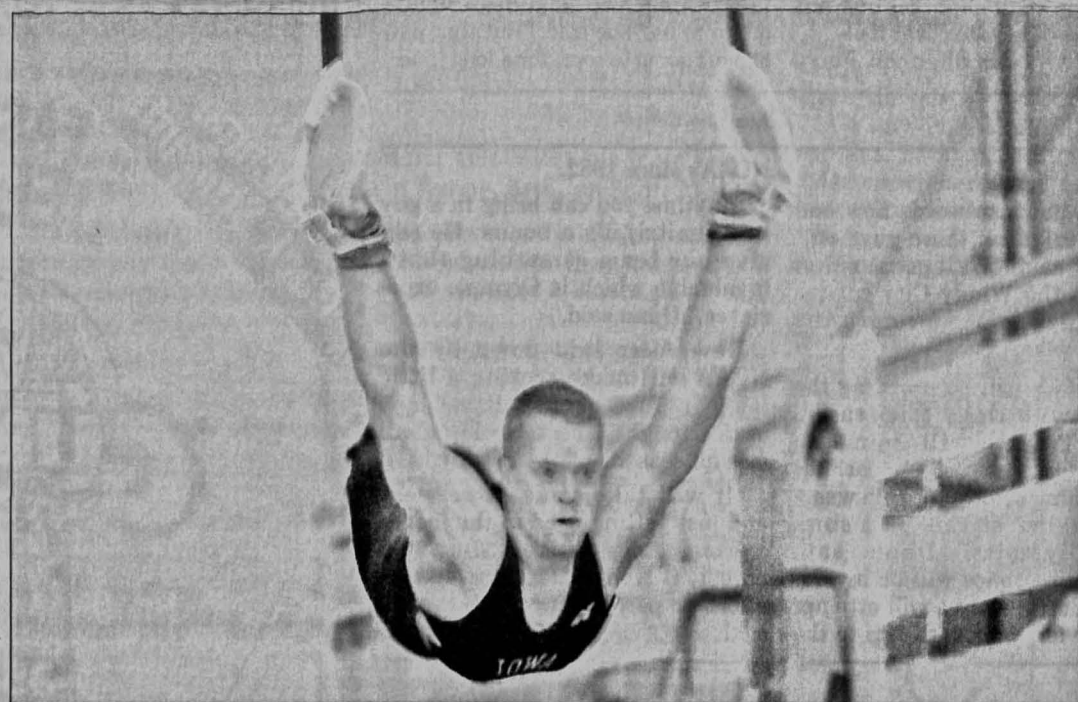
On the rings, junior Chris Camiscioli will look for further improvement after an all-American season in '96.

Travis Rosen and junior Jason Rogers finished sixth and eighth respectively at the NCAA's last year on the vault. Tyler Vogt will be looked upon to lead Iowa in the all-around and parallel bars.

Townsend and Peter Masucci could make some noise on the Horizontal Bar.

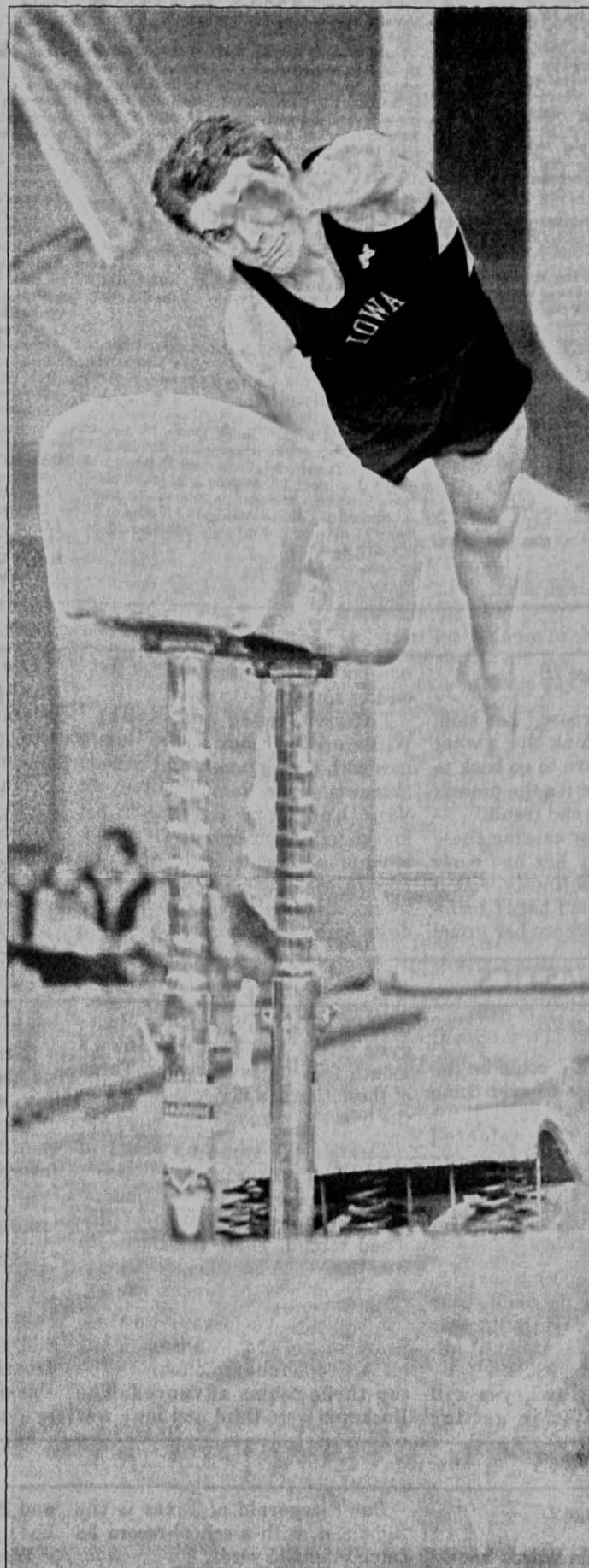
The key, according to Dunn, will be how well the six freshman Iowa has on its roster

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Brian Ray/The Daily Iowan

Junior Brehon Ness, seen here at the Black and Gold Intrasquad meet, is one of five experienced veterans for the Hawkeyes in ring events this season.



Left: Iowa freshman Lou Datilio competes at the Black and Gold Intrasquad meet earlier this year at the UI Fieldhouse. The Hawkeyes hope to improve on their fourth-place finish in the nation last season.

Photo by Joe Friedrich, The Daily Iowan

AP ALL-AMERICANS

Wuerffel, Davis lead nation's elite

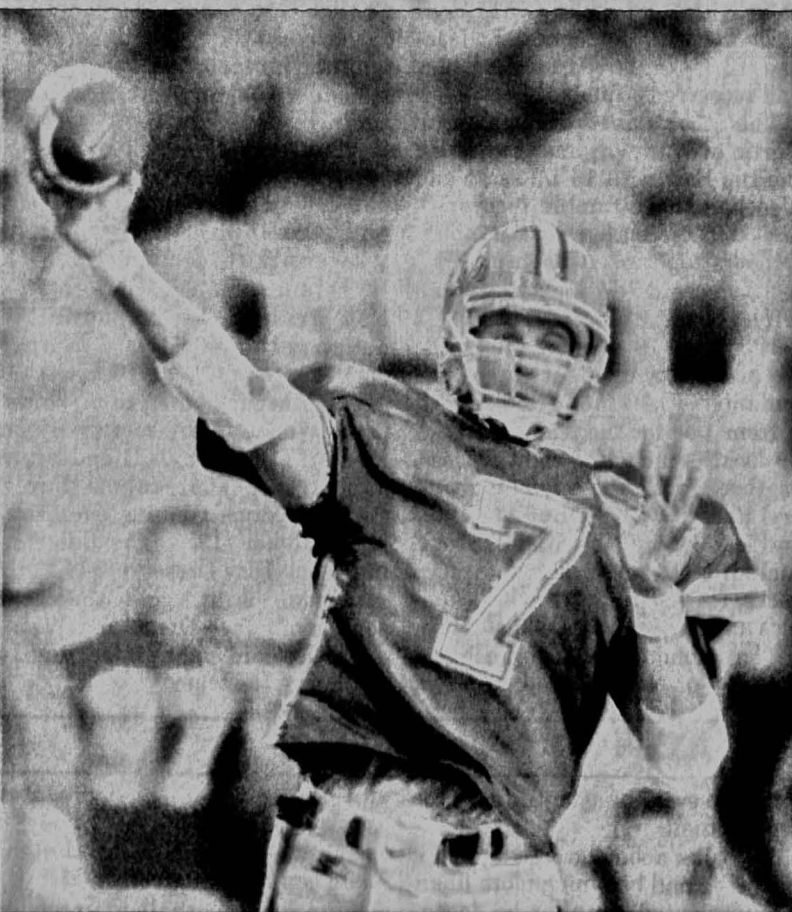
Richard Rosenblatt
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Florida's Danny Wuerffel, the most efficient passer in NCAA history, and a pair of 2,000-yard runners — Iowa State's Troy Davis and Texas Tech's Byron Hanspard — made The Associated Press All-America football team Wednesday.

Wuerffel directed the third-ranked Gators to a fourth straight SEC championship and a rematch against No. 1 Florida State in the Sugar Bowl. The senior completed 207-of-360 passes for 3,625 yards and led the nation with 39 touchdown passes.

Davis was the nation's top rusher with 2,185 yards as he became the first player in NCAA history to run for 2,000-plus yards in two seasons. He was second in scoring with 21 touchdowns.

Hanspard was right behind with 2,084 yards and 14 TDs, marking



Associated Press

Florida quarterback Danny Wuerffel throws a pass during the Gators' 45-30 victory over Alabama in the SEC Championship Saturday, Dec. 7.

the first time two players amassed 2,000 yards in the same season.

Also recognized were Florida State defensive ends Peter Boulware and Reinard Wilson, who

spearheaded the Seminoles' third-ranked defense, which allowed 229.5 yards per game.

Boulware set a school record

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FRY HINTS AT RETIREMENT

Life without Hayden just won't be the same

Iowa head football coach Hayden Fry said Monday he would have resigned had his football team not received a bowl bid this season.

Although he didn't quit, seeing that Fry was willing to throw his job away over a bowl bid shows us that the reality of Iowa football minus the 35-year veteran is one that we are all going to have to face in the not-too-distant future.

Times have changed since Fry first came to Iowa, and was adored by everyone in the state.

"When I came here, I knew I didn't have to sell these people on supporting Iowa," he said in the Iowa media guide. "These are the most loyal folks in the world."

A lot of that loyalty has disappeared now, and the bandwagon effect has set in. Fans now expect a winning season from a team that

prior to Fry's arrival, hadn't finished above .500 for 18 straight years. If Fry were to finish 6-5 this year, everybody would have called for his head. Instead, they are 8-3, and although fans aren't happy, they are satisfied. An 8-3 season in the 1980s would have called for a Hayden Fry parade.

"I've always been motivated by the desire to turn a non-winner into a winner," Fry once said. "I once coached a pee-wee team that had never before won a game and we won a title. That still ranks as one of my favorite achievements. Building is one of my bigger thrills."

Not only has Fry been successful rebuilding Iowa, with a lifetime 132-76-6 record, 13 bowl games in 18 years and three Rose Bowls, but some of his more impressive feats have come away from the gridiron. They include:

- One of the higher graduation rates in college football. Sixty-five percent of freshmen scholarship players on the football team will end up with a degree under Fry in a maximum of six years. That

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Wayne Drehs

Sports

QUIZ ANSWER

Marshall Faulk, San Diego St., 1991
Herschel Walker, Georgia, 1980
Tony Dorsett, Pittsburgh, 1973

MEN'S TOP 25 FARED

How the top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll fared Wednesday:
1. Kansas (8-0) beat George Washington 85-56. Next: vs. North Carolina-Ashville, Sunday.
2. Wake Forest (6-0) did not play. Next: vs. Massachusetts, Saturday.
3. Kentucky (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. Notre Dame, Saturday.
4. Villanova (6-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 14 Duke at CoreStates Center, Saturday.
5. Michigan (6-0) beat St. John's 76-61. Next: vs. LSU, Sunday.
6. Iowa State (5-0) beat Drake 74-50. Next: at Iowa, Saturday.
7. Cincinnati (2-2) did not play. Next: vs. Howard University, Tuesday, Dec. 17.
8. Arizona (4-1) did not play. Next: vs. Jackson State, Saturday.
9. Utah (4-1) did not play. Next: vs. Weber State, Saturday.
10. Clemson (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. Charleston Southern, Saturday.
11. North Carolina (5-1) did not play. Next: at VMI, Sunday.
12. Indiana (7-1) did not play. Next: vs. Louisiana Tech, Friday.
13. Texas Tech (4-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 16 Fresno State, Saturday.
14. Duke (6-2) beat Davidson 85-58. Next: vs. No. 4 Villanova at CoreStates Center, Saturday.
15. New Mexico (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. New Mexico State, Friday.
16. Fresno State (6-1) did not play. Next: at No. 13 Texas, Saturday.
17. Minnesota (5-1) did not play. Next: vs. St. John's, Sunday.
18. Texas Tech (5-0) did not play. Next: at Texas Christian, Saturday.
19. Xavier, Ohio (6-0) did not play. Next: vs. Hofstra, Saturday.
20. Arkansas (4-1) did not play. Next: vs. McNeese State, Thursday, Dec. 19.
21. Stanford (3-1) did not play. Next: vs. San Diego at San Diego Sports Arena, Saturday.
22. Louisville (5-0) beat Dayton 80-67. Next: at Purdue, Saturday.
23. UCLA (1-2) did not play. Next: vs. Ohio University, Saturday.
24. Alabama (7-0) did not play. Next: vs. Western Carolina, Saturday.
25. Boston College (4-1) did not play. Next: at Holy Cross, Saturday, Dec. 21.

No. 9 North Carolina State (7-2) did not play. Next: vs. South Carolina State, Friday, Dec. 20.
No. 10 Notre Dame (8-3) beat Indiana 71-63. Next: at Valparaiso, Saturday, Dec. 21.
No. 11 Western Kentucky (4-1) did not play. Next: vs. Maine, Saturday.
No. 12 Iowa (4-2) did not play. Next: vs. Florida at Madison, Wis., Friday.
No. 12 Penn State (5-0) did not play. Next: at Pittsburgh, Sunday.
No. 14 Virginia (4-2) did not play. Next: vs. Rider, Thursday, Dec. 19.
No. 15 Vanderbilt (4-2) did not play. Next: vs. Cleveland State, Sunday.
No. 16 Texas (4-0) did not play. Next: vs. Virginia Commonwealth, Wednesday, Dec. 18.
No. 17 Duke (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Thursday.
No. 18 Kansas (6-1) beat Missouri-Kansas City 75-55. Next: vs. Creighton, Sunday.
No. 19 Wisconsin (7-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 4 Georgia, Friday.
No. 20 North Carolina (4-0) did not play. Next: vs. Howard, Saturday.
No. 21 Colorado (5-2) lost to San Francisco 52-51. Next: at UC Santa Barbara, Saturday, Dec. 21.
No. 22 Clemson (3-1) did not play. Next: vs. Austin Peay, Sunday.
No. 23 Arkansas (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. St. Louis, Wednesday, Dec. 18.
No. 24 Stephen F. Austin (6-1) did not play. Next: at Houston, Saturday.
No. 25 Butler (0-0-0), Pawtowski 1-1 0-0-2, Wuebber 1-1 0-0-2. Totals 23-59 3-5-50.

COLLEGE BOX SCORES

IOWA STATE 74, DRAKE 50
DRAKE (0-6)
Bennett 4-11 0-1 8, Thomas 2-7 0-0 4, Nath 4-8 1-1 9, Rogers 4-7 0-0 8, Petzenhauser 3-9 0-0 7, LeVasseur 3-9 2-2 8, Carozzo 0-0 0-0 0, Smith 1-4 0-1 2, Butler 0-0 0-0 0, Pawtowski 1-1 0-0 2, Wuebber 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 23-59 3-5-50.
IOWA STATE (5-0)
Bankhead 4-7 0-1 8, Edwards 3-6 0-0 6, Cato 10-17 1-4 21, Rampton 3-6 1-4 7, Holloway 2-4 0-0 6, Willoughby 3-11 0-0 7, Knoll 0-0 0-0 0, Johnson 1-2 1-1 3, Harris 2-9 0-0 4, S. Johnson 5-9 2-3 12, Shirley 0-0 0-1 0. Totals 33-71 5-14 74.
Halftime—Iowa State 38, Drake 23. 3-point goals—Drake 1-10 (Petzenhauser 1-3, LeVasseur 0-5, Bennett 0-3, Smith 0-1), Iowa State 3-11 (Holloway 2-4, Willoughby 1-5, B. Johnson 0-1, Harris 0-1). Fouled out—Thomas. Rebounds—Drake 37 (Nath 8), Iowa State 45 (Cato 13). Assists—Drake 15 (Nath 4), Iowa State 19 (Holloway 6). Total fouls—Drake 16, Iowa State 11. A—12,950.

MICHIGAN 76, ST. JOHN'S 61
MICHIGAN (6-0)
Taylor 9-12 1-4 19, Ward 2-6 0-0 5, Traylor 2-7 2-3 6, Bullock 3-9 0-8, Conlan 2-5 0-0 4, Hughes 6-9 2-2 16, Haratsaris 0-1 0-0 0, Oliver 0-0 0-0 0, Boston 7-12 4-7 18, Szyndler 0-0 0-0 0, Vignier 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-62 9-16 76.
ST. JOHN'S (2-3)
Postell 3-10 5-8 13, Minlend 4-11 0-2 8, Hamilton 7-15 3-4 17, Turner 0-0 0-0 0, Lopez 3-10 4-7 11, Charles 2-8 1-2 5, Brown 1-2 0-0 2, Mennifield 0-1 0-0 0, Grant 2-6 1-2 5. Totals 22-63 14-25 61.
Halftime—Michigan 36, St. John's 27. 3-point goals—Michigan 5-12 (Hughes 2-2, Bullock 2-5, Ward 1-1, Haratsaris 0-1, Conlan 0-3), St. John's 3-12 (Postell 2-6, Lopez 1-4, Minlend 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Michigan 39 (Boston 8), St. John's 41 (Minlend 11). Assists—Michigan 17 (Conlan 6), St. John's 13 (Charles 5). Total fouls—Michigan 20, St. John's 17. A—13,197.

WOMEN'S TOP 25 FARED

How the top 25 teams in The Associated Press' women's college basketball poll fared Wednesday:
No. 1 Stanford (7-0) did not play. Next: No. 5 Tennessee, Sunday.
No. 2 Connecticut (7-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 18 Kansas, Saturday, Dec. 21.
No. 3 Louisiana Tech (9-0) did not play. Next: at DePaul, Saturday.
No. 4 Georgia (4-1) did not play. Next: at No. 19 Wisconsin, Friday.
No. 5 Tennessee (7-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 1 Stanford, Sunday.
No. 6 Old Dominion (6-1) did not play. Next: at Purdue, Saturday.
No. 7 Alabama (4-2) did not play. Next: at Akron at Myrtle Beach, S.C., Wednesday, Dec. 18.
No. 8 Texas Tech (5-0) did not play. Next: at No. 25 Auburn, Saturday.

LEE

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searching for a purpose," Lee said. "I would hate to think that's what it is. I think we have to go back to the process because it's the process that brings you the end result."
The biggest factor causing these problems that Iowa has had early in the season is continuity within the team. Lee's squad hasn't had a complete practice where her group

has been able to scrimmage five-ov-five since mid-October.
Tiffany Gooden and Malika Willis are both out of the lineup now with knee injuries, and Simone Edwards, Angie Hamblin, Chinere Vann and Mary Berdo are all known to have missed practices due to various ailments. Right when the Hawkeyes get one player back from injury, it seems somebody else goes down with another problem.

MEN'S GYMNASTICS

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come along. He said it could be the best recruiting class to ever come to Iowa.
"We have some very talented kids," Dunn said. "Getting used to our system and the new rules will take some time to adjust to, but I'm very excited about the people we've brought in."
Highly touted Lou Datilio, from North Hampton, N.H., could make an impact right away. Datilio was the Junior Olympic national all-around champion in 1990.
"One team the Hawkeyes will need no motivation in getting

ready for is Ohio State. The Buckeyes left a bad taste in Iowa's mouth four times last year. Three of those times, a major title was on the line.
First, Iowa came up short in Columbus in a dual meet. Next, Ohio State won the Big Ten championship, while the Hawkeyes finished second. Then, the Buckeyes won the NCAA East Regional. Iowa, once again, was the runner-up.
Finally, Iowa lost out to Ohio State in the preliminaries of the NCAA team championships. The top three teams advanced. The Buckeyes were third and Iowa was

ALL-AMERICANS

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with 19 sacks, while Wilson had 13 sacks and a team-leading 101 tackles. Boulware also blocked two punts, recovered three fumbles and caused four others.
Five schools — Florida State, Florida, Arizona State, Colorado and Michigan — each placed two players on the AP team.
"Along with Wuerffel, the Gators had wide receiver Reidel Anthony, while the No. 2 Sun Devils had offensive lineman Juan Roque and linebacker Derrick Rodgers.
Michigan had linebacker Jarrett Ions and defensive back Charles Woodson, while Colorado had offensive lineman Chris Naeole and linebacker Matt Russell.
Anthony caught 72 passes for 1,293 yards and a school-record 18 touchdowns. The other wide receiver is Wyoming's Marcus Harris, who had 13 TD catches and set school records with 109 catches for 1,650 yards. Harris also is the NCAA's all-time leading receiver with 4,518 yards.

DREHS

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number is better than the 60.6 percent of non-athlete freshmen.
One of the top Big Ten teams for academic all-conference selections. Last year, Iowa finished second behind Minnesota with 14 players receiving the honor. This season, 10 Hawkeyes made the team, led by junior offensive lineman Matt Reischl, who has a 4.0 GPA.
One of the most respected, clean programs in the country. Fry

Pat Fitzgerald of Texas is the tight end, with a school-record 38 catches for 545 yards.
The all-purpose player is Kevin Faulk of LSU. Faulk, one of three sophomores on the team, averaged 191.3 yards per game in total offense. He had 1,282 yards rushing, 134 yards receiving, 375 yards on 24 punt returns, 313 yards on 14 kick returns and 14 touchdowns.
Joining Naeole and Roque on the offensive line are Orlando Pace of Ohio State and Benji Olson of Washington. K.C. Jones of Miami is the center.
Completing the offense is North Carolina State kicker Marc Primanti. He was perfect this season — 20-of-20 on field goals and 24-of-24 on extra points.
Davis and Pace, who had 74 punts, are two of four repeaters from last year's team. Northwestern linebacker Pat Fitzgerald and Kansas State defensive back Chris Canty are the others.
On defense, Boulware, Wilson

has done his winning the right way, not committing any major NCAA violations in his 18 years at Iowa that caused any forms of probation.
Support of numerous charities. Fry has worked with organizations such as the American Diabetes Association, American Lung Association and United Way to name only a couple of the groups he helps every year.
Despite all the success Fry has had, the psychology graduate has shown signs of becoming frustrated

NOTRE DAME 71, INDIANA 63
INDIANA (4-3)
Thrus 5-13 0-1 13, Maines 0-2 1-2 1, Barnes 3-9 1-3 7, Green 1-3 0-0 3, Vesel 8-14 0-0 19, K.Morgan 4-8 2-2 12, Watson 1-2 0-0 3, Malone 0-0 0-0 0, Hornegger 2-2 0-0 5, Kerns 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 24-53 4-6-63.
NOTRE DAME (8-3)
B.Morgan 7-18 10-12 25, Bohman 2-7 1-2 5, Cather 10-21 4-4 24, Augustin 2-4 0-1 4, McMillen 1-5 2-2 4, Peirick 0-2 3-5 3, Jordan 0-0 0-0 0, Henderson 0-2 0-0 0, Hutchinson 1-2 4-4 6. Totals 23-61 24-30 71.
Halftime—Indiana 38, Notre Dame 34. 3-point goals—Indiana 11-25 (Thrus 3-7, Vesel 3-7, K.Morgan 2-5, Hornegger 1-1, Watson 1-2, Green 1-3), Notre Dame 1-7 (B.Morgan 1-6, McMillen 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Indiana 36 (Barnes 11), Notre Dame 40 (Cather 10). Assists—Indiana 16 (Green 8), Notre Dame 17 (Augustin 7). Total fouls—Indiana 23, Notre Dame 14. A—715.

NHL GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	17	6	7	41	90	64
Philadelphia	16	12	2	34	86	82
New Jersey	15	11	1	31	69	67
N.Y. Rangers	13	14	5	31	109	93
N.Y. Islanders	10	11	8	28	80	77
Washington	13	11	1	27	72	73
Tampa Bay	9	15	2	20	73	84

Northwest Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Hartford	14	7	6	34	88	82
Buffalo	14	13	2	30	85	85
Montreal	12	15	4	28	104	109
Pittsburgh	12	13	3	27	96	100
Boston	10	12	5	25	77	90
Ottawa	8	12	7	23	72	84

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	15	9	5	35	81	53
Dallas	16	10	3	34	83	72
St. Louis	15	14	1	31	90	91
Chicago	12	15	3	27	75	76
Toronto	12	18	0	24	86	105
Phoenix	10	15	4	24	69	90

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	17	8	4	38	102	64
Edmonton	14	15	2	30	101	93
Vancouver	14	12	1	29	86	86
Los Angeles	12	14	3	27	79	90
Anaheim	10	15	5	25	82	94
San Jose	10	14	4	24	72	91
Calgary	10	16	4	24	71	83

Tuesday's Games
New Jersey 5, Toronto 2
Edmonton 0, Detroit 0, tie
N.Y. Islanders 8, Phoenix 2
Philadelphia 5, Florida 4
Ottawa 5, Calgary 5, tie
Pittsburgh 5, Los Angeles 3
Wednesday's Games
Late Games Not Included
Hartford 5, Florida 2
Buffalo 3, Montreal 2, OT
N.Y. Islanders 5, N.Y. Rangers 3
St. Louis 5, Dallas 5, tie
Colorado at Vancouver, (n)
Washington at San Jose, (n)
Pittsburgh at Anaheim, (n)
Thursday's Games
New Jersey at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
Hartford at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Calgary at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.
Friday's Games
N.Y. Rangers at Buffalo, 6:30 p.m.

Phoenix at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.
Washington at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

NBA GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	17	5	77.3	—
New York	13	6	68.4	2 1/2
Orlando	9	8	52.9	5 1/2
Washington	8	11	42.1	7 1/2
Philadelphia	7	13	35.0	9
New Jersey	5	11	31.3	9
Boston	5	14	26.3	10 1/2

Central Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	18	3	85.7	—
Detroit	16	3	84.2	1 1/2
Atlanta	12	8	60.0	5 1/2
Cleveland	12	8	60.0	5 1/2
Charlotte	11	9	55.0	6 1/2
Milwaukee	10	9	52.6	7
Indiana	8	10	44.4	8 1/2
Toronto	7	14	33.3	11

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	18	2	90.0	—
Utah	17	2	89.5	1/2
Dallas	8	11	42.1	9 1/2
Minnesota	7	14	33.3	11 1/2
Denver	5	17	22.7	14
San Antonio	3	16	15.4	14 1/2
Vancouver	3	18	14.3	15 1/2

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	16	7	69.6	—
Seattle	16	7	69.6	—
Portland	12	9	57.1	3 1/2
Golden State	8	13	38.1	7
L.A. Clippers	7	14	33.3	8
Sacramento	7	14	33.3	8
Phoenix	5	14	26.3	9

Tuesday's Games
Golden State 101, Toronto 91
New York 85, Washington 73
Atlanta 89, Denver 88
Miami 76, Cleveland 74
Houston 96, Minnesota 94
Detroit 93, Milwaukee 85
Utah 110, Indiana 86
Phoenix 93, San Antonio 76
Orlando 99, Portland 93
Dallas 100, L.A. Clippers 95
L.A. Lakers 92, Sacramento 90
Wednesday's Games
Late Games Not Included
Boston 115, Toronto 113, 3 OT
New Jersey 110, Seattle 101
Washington 106, Cleveland 95
Charlotte 101, Denver 97
Miami 84, Philadelphia 79
Chicago 103, Minnesota 86
Indiana at L.A. Lakers (n)
Thursday's Games
Golden State at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Seattle at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Utah, 8 p.m.
Vancouver at Portland, 9 p.m.
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PLUMMER

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With back-to-back 2,000-yard seasons, Davis is certain he made the right decision.

"I don't think I could be much happier than now," he said. "If I was at Miami or Florida State, I wouldn't be having this kind of year."

Other than an 89-yard outing against Oklahoma midway through the 1995 season, Davis has rushed for at least 120 yards in every game the past two years. He has topped 200 nine times and 300 twice, including 378 in a 45-31 victory over Missouri this year.

In 1995, he broke the school's single-game rushing record twice in the first four games and became the first sophomore to gain 2,000 yards in a season. He finished with 2,010 to lead the nation and was fifth in the Heisman Trophy voting, becoming the first 2,000-yard rusher who didn't end up with the Heisman.

This year, with defenses lining up in eight- and nine-man fronts to stop him, Davis did even better. He ran for 2,185 yards, the third-highest figure ever, and scored 21 touchdowns. He's the first Division I-A player to rush for 2,000 yards twice and his 4,195 yards the last two seasons are the best two-year total in history.

Even in that 1994 season, when Davis rarely touched the ball and Iowa State didn't win a game, it was obvious to his teammates he was something special.

"I sensed he was destined for greatness," offensive tackle Tim Kohn said. "You didn't see it in the games that year, but one thing we always had a problem with in that triple-option offense was turnovers. And the one thing he never did in practice was turn the ball over."

Yet Davis has remained modest throughout. His idea of celebrating after a touchdown is to stand in the end zone until his linemen get there so he can hug them.

With one exception. In Iowa State's season finale at Kansas State, a 35-20 loss that left the Cyclones 2-9, Davis struck a Heisman Trophy pose after diving into the end zone. He did it right in front of an official, who penalized Iowa State 15 yards on the ensuing kickoff.

McCarney didn't mind. "If I rushed for 4,000 yards, I think I might be a little expressive, too," the coach said.



Iowa State running back Troy Davis is surrounded as he raises his helmet to the crowd after Iowa State's 45-31 win over Missouri Sept. 28. Associated Press

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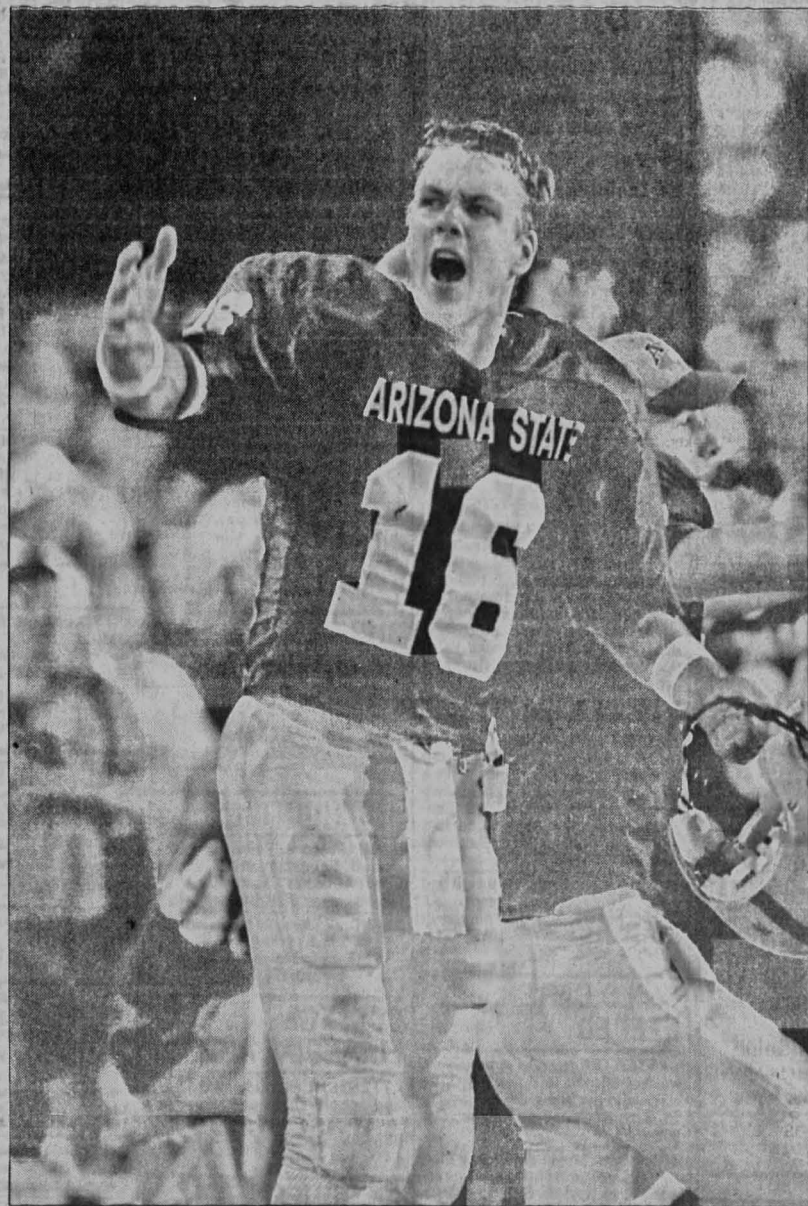
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Arizona State quarterback Jake Plummer celebrates his team's 19-0 victory over Nebraska in their game in Tempe, Ariz., on Sept. 21. Associated Press

Plummer doesn't have the best numbers among the competition, but he's a big reason Arizona State is ranked No. 2 for the first time since 1975.

"We haven't given him the chance to put up the stats like Danny Wuerffel or the other guys

who just have a passing attack," said right tackle Grey Ruegamer. "I think we have a better all-around quarterback. He can run, he can scramble, he can throw the ball, he's accurate. He makes plays."

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OHIO STATE REPEAT?

330-pound Pace is a longshot

Rusty Miller
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — As the players break the huddle and lumber to the line of scrimmage, the quarterback begins sizing up the defense and the linebackers bark out signals. Receivers and defenders trot into motion while a crowd of close to 100,000 roars in anticipation.

But all is quiet in Orlando Pace's world. The Ohio State offensive tackle tries to close out everything except a primary thought.

"I just go out and block the guy who's in front of me," he says.

A simple job for a complex man. The 6-foot-6, 330-pound junior for the No. 4 Buckeyes understands that after eliminating all the distractions, the confrontation is just between him and another guy in pads.

The last one standing wins.

Almost every time, it's Pace.

"Maybe the best offensive lineman ever to play the game," said former Minnesota coach Jim Wacker.

Wisconsin defensive end Tarek Saleh on his approach to Pace: "Just basically stay away. For that split second after he gets his hands on you, if he gets his legs underneath him, then he's going to body-slam you. And then you're done."

Former Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz: "I think Orlando Pace is one of the best tackles in football today. I didn't say college football. I said football."

Pace is among the top contenders to win the Heisman Trophy, to be presented next weekend, although no interior lineman has ever been selected. Another Ohio State tackle, John Hicks, came the closest with a second-place finish to Penn State's John Cappelletti in 1973.

"It's a longshot. It's been an uphill type of battle all year," Pace said. "If I don't win, it's one of those things I can get over. It's history-making just so I can say I was in the mix."

In a way, Pace already has a piece of a Heisman. A year ago, Pace anchored an offensive line that helped Heisman winner Eddie George gain 1,927 yards and score 25 touchdowns.

"I know who I'm voting for," said George, now a rookie star with the Houston Oilers. "I don't think

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Eddie George, former Ohio State running back and last year's Heisman winner

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Many don't believe an offensive lineman will ever win the Heisman. After all, the grunts up front don't make many highlight reels — even though Pace got substantial publicity for throwing a block 45 yards downfield during one game this year. They don't handle the ball. And they're not versatile.

"Everybody focuses on the running backs and quarterback," Pace said.

However, Ohio State coach John Cooper said Pace meets the main requirement.

"If the Heisman Trophy goes to the best college football player in the country, I don't know how in the world you wouldn't consider a guy like Orlando Pace," Cooper said. "I don't know how he compares with the other great players out there, but he's playing his position right now as good as anybody we've had around here in a long time."

Pace believes that his chances might have been enhanced if he had been selected to carry the ball — something Cooper said his staff never seriously considered — or if Ohio State was No. 1. But a 13-9 upset at the hands of rival Michigan on Nov. 23 ended the then-No. 2 Buckeyes' national championship hopes.

Ahead lies the Buckeyes' first Rose Bowl berth in 12 years, against No. 2 Arizona State. In the days after that, Pace will discuss his future with his family and decide whether to return next year — and make another run at the Heisman — or move on to the pros.

Either way, Pace said he knows what he wants his legacy to be: "I want to be the best college lineman in history."

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

No. 1 Kansas pulls away in second half

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No. 1 Kansas 85, George Washington 56
LAWRENCE, Kan. — Jerod Haase scored 22 points and top-ranked Kansas blew the game open early in the second half for an 85-56 rout of George Washington.

The Jayhawks (8-0) reeled off a 25-4 run in the first 7:28 of the second half to pull away from the Colonials.

Haase scored nine points in that run with a 3-pointer, two driving layups, and a breakaway dunk after Paul Pierce picked up a loose ball and made a blind lob toward the basket.

Raef LaFrentz added 12 points and nine rebounds for Kansas and Paul Pierce, who had just two points and six turnovers in the first half, finished with 11 points and nine rebounds.

Pro scouts were on hand to see Kansas' front-line take on George Washington center Alexander Koul, projected to be a top NBA pick. Koul led the Colonials with 16 points and seven rebounds, but had a tough time inside against LaFrentz, Scot Pollard and Pierce.

No. 5 Michigan 76, St. John's 61
UNIONDALE, N.Y. — Maurice Taylor and Robert Traylor took over for No. 5 Michigan when St. John's grabbed its only lead of the second half and the Wolverines went on to win.

Taylor, who finished with 19 points, was

called for his fourth foul with 11:59 to play and two free throws by Lavor Postell gave St. John's (2-3) a 47-46 lead.

Traylor, who hadn't scored in the game's opening 28 minutes, converted a three-point play to give the Wolverines (6-0) the lead for good. He came up with a rebound on the next St. John's miss and fed Travis Conlan for a layup to make it 51-47.

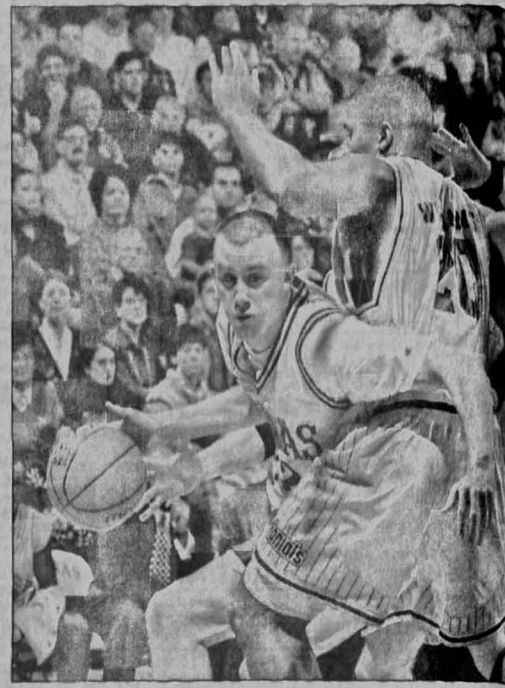
Taylor returned with 9:29 left and he and Traylor combined for Michigan's next nine points as the lead grew to 62-52 with 6:30 to play.

Maceo Baston added 18 points and Brandon Hughes 16 for Michigan. Traylor finished with six.

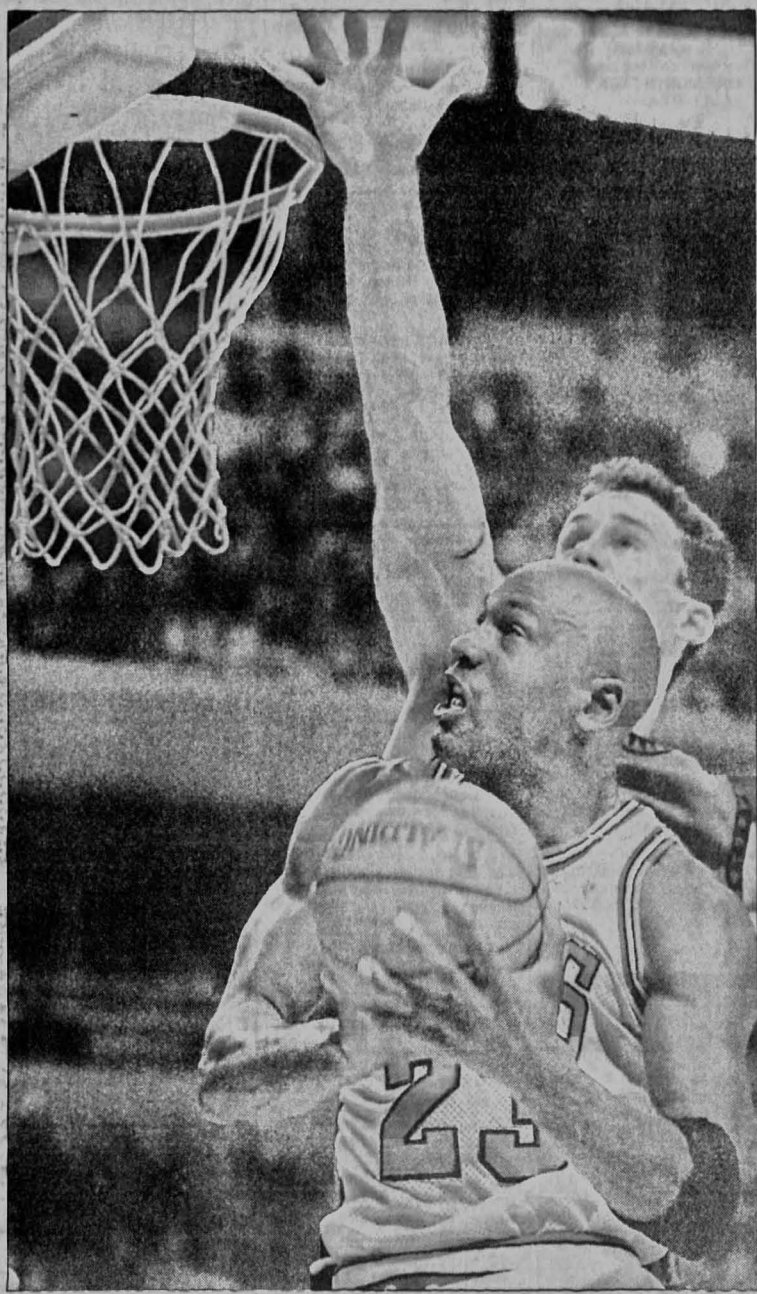
No. 6 Iowa State 74, Drake 50
AMES, Iowa — Kelvin Cato used a decided height advantage inside to score a career-high 21 points and lead No. 6 Iowa State to victory.

The 6-foot-11 Cato dominated against a Drake front line whose tallest starter was 6-7 freshman Andy Nath. Cato made 10 of 17 shots, including seven straight at one point, and grabbed 13 rebounds as Iowa State (5-0) beat its in-state rival for the 11th straight time.

Freshman Stevie Johnson added 12 points for Iowa State. Dedric Willoughby, the Cyclones' leading scorer for the season, made a surprise start and had seven points — the first time in his 37 games at Iowa State that he failed to reach double figures.



Kansas forward T.J. Pugh elbows his way around George Washington center Ferdinand Williams during the first half Wednesday.



Associated Press

Michael Jordan drives past Minnesota's Tom Gugliotta during the first quarter Monday. Jordan led the Bulls with 27 points.

Bulls avoid third consecutive loss

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Michael Jordan scored 27 points and Scottie Pippen had 26 Wednesday night as the Chicago Bulls overcame Dennis Rodman's absence and ended their two-game losing streak with a 103-86 victory over Minnesota.

The Bulls suspended Rodman for two games for his profanity-filled tirade against the league and its referees following Sunday's loss at Toronto. Rodman, the NBA's top rebounder the last five seasons, also will miss Friday's game at New Jersey.

Chicago trailed 50-49 at half-time but outscored Minnesota 31-12 in the third quarter, with Jordan scoring 11 points and Pippen eight.

Celtics 115, Raptors 113, 3OT
BOSTON — Rick Fox made a 3-pointer at the buzzer to give Boston the triple-overtime victory.

Fox led the Celtics with 24 points and David Wesley added 20 points and 10 assists. Damon Stoudamire led Toronto with 31 points and 12 assists and Popeye Jones had season-highs of 22 points and 21 rebounds.

It was only the third triple-overtime game in the Celtics' 50-year history.

Nets 110, SuperSonics 101
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Kendall Gill had 24 points in his grudge match with former coach George Karl and Robert Pack scored eight straight points to put New Jersey ahead for good.

Kerry Kittles added 20 points and Pack finished with 19 points and 12 assists. Detlef Schrempf had a season-high 30 points for Seattle, which lost for the fourth time in six games after opening the season 14-3.

Heat 84, 76ers 79
PHILADELPHIA — Tim Hardaway scored 21 points and Alonzo Mourning had 20 points and 17 rebounds as Miami increased its road winning streak to 10 games.

The 76ers used a 3-pointer from Jerry Stackhouse and a driving layup from Allen Iverson to take a 79-78 lead with 38 seconds to play.

But Hardaway then drove past Iverson for a layup that gave the Heat the lead for good, 80-79 with 26.4 seconds to play.

Hornets 101, Nuggets 97
CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The road-weary Charlotte Hornets came home and got a season-high 25 points and a career-high 21 rebounds from Anthony Mason.

Dell Curry put the Hornets ahead to stay on a 3-pointer with 35 seconds left, helping send the Nuggets to their eighth consecutive loss.

Bullets 106, Cavaliers 95
LANDOVER, Md. — Washington held the Cleveland Cavaliers to five baskets in the second quarter and Chris Webber had 23 points and 11 rebounds as the Bullets ended a five-game losing streak.

Juwan Howard scored 25 for Washington, which became only the second team to reach 100 points against the Cavaliers this season.

NHL ROUNDUP

Whalers score five in late rally

Associated Press

HARTFORD, Conn. — Keith Primeau had two goals and defenseman Gerald Diduck the game-winner as the streaking Hartford Whalers scored five times in the final period to beat the Florida Panthers 5-2 Wednesday night.

With the game between the NHL division leaders tied after Primeau's ninth and 10th goals of the season, Diduck got the decisive score by beating Mark Fitzpatrick from the right point at 6:32 of the final period. The goal was the first this season for Diduck, who also assisted on Primeau's first of the game, 34 seconds into the period.

Paul Coffey and Steven Rice also scored, and goalie Jason Muzzatti stopped 28 shots as the Northeast Division-leading Whalers who extended their season-high unbeaten string to six games (4-0-2).

The Atlantic Division-leading Panthers (17-6-7) lost consecutively for the first time since last year's Stanley Cup finals.

Blues 5, Stars 5
DALLAS — Joe Nieuwendyk scored the tying goal for Dallas with 7:31 to play as the Stars completed a comeback from a four-goal deficit for a 5-5 tie with the St. Louis Blues on Wednesday night.

Pierre Turgeon's rebound goal with 17:17 left in regulation gave St. Louis a 5-4 lead, but

Nieuwendyk fired a backhand from in front of the net past Grant Fuhr to tie the game.

Turgeon came in alone on a breakaway with 53.8 seconds in overtime, but Stars goalie Arturs Urbe smothered the point-blank attempt.

Defenseman Al MacInnis scored three goals in the game's opening 13:27, and the Blues went on to a 4-0 lead before the Stars started their comeback on a Greg Adams goal late in the first period.

Sabres 3, Canadiens 2 (OT)
MONTREAL — Dominik Hasek made 43 saves, and Dixon Ward scored at 2:42 of overtime to give Buffalo the victory.

Ward scored off a pass from Randy Burridge, who beat Jocelyn Thibault for his fourth goal. That ended a three-game winless slide for the Sabres.

Richard Smelik and Donald Audette also scored for Buffalo. Martin Rucinsky had his 12th goal for Montreal, and Peter Popovic added his first since last Feb. 23.

Islanders 5, Rangers 3
NEW YORK — Zigmund Palffy's first of two goals capped a four-goal second period and the New York Islanders held on to end the New York Rangers' seven-game unbeaten streak.

If not for goaltender Tommy Salo, the Islanders wouldn't have been in the game at all. Salo virtually

turned the game around himself with a great first period of 14 saves, including at least a half-dozen good scoring chances by the Rangers during a two-man power play for 1:40.

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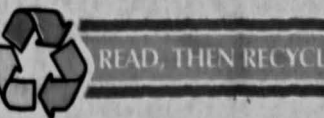
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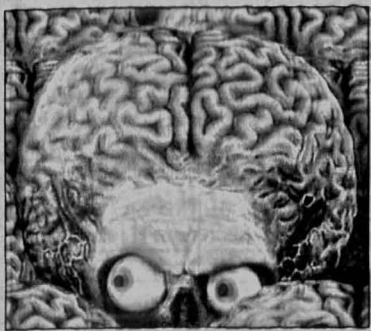
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A 'Nutcracker' X-mas

Memories of Christmas past — of playing in the snow, celebrating with family and friends and decorating the tree — fill the stage when the Joffrey Ballet of Chicago puts on its production of "The Nutcracker."

The result often is teary eyes from men and women, young and old, who are transported back to their childhoods and sit entranced by the intricate costumes and classic dances of more than a hundred performers who celebrate, battle and dream on Christmas Eve.

Sara Kennedy
 The Daily Iowan

Winston Barclay, assistant director of UI Arts Center Relations, learned the power of the Joffrey's "Nutcracker" early on. When the company world premiered the classic ballet at Hancher Auditorium in 1987, Barclay took his son, who was still weeks away from his third birthday.

"I wasn't sure if he would be able to sit through a whole ballet, so he watched through the observation booth," he said. "But it held his attention throughout. And at the end he started crying and I asked him why and he said, 'Because I don't want it to be over.'"

The Joffrey will return to Hancher through Sunday for six performances, and tickets are still available for all shows.

An emotional tale

Stories of sentimental tears are no surprise to Gerald Arpino — a fair share have been shed in his presence. Arpino, the artistic director and co-founder of the Joffrey, said Tipper Gore's mother wept during a performance last year, saying it vividly reminded her of her own childhood celebrations.

The memory of a man who attended a performance with his young daughter some time ago is another incident that Arpino said will always stay with him.

"He had his little girl on his shoulders and was carrying her up the aisle," Arpino said. "And he saw me and tears came to his eyes and he said, 'I want to tell you, you really moved me deeply with this. You brought back the child in me and my days when I was in the snow, and we had our tree and we decorated it and we had parties in the living room.'"

The production, which was created by Robert Joffrey in the spirit of the original 19th-century premiere in Russia, is centered around an American Christmas in



Publicity photo

From toys that come to life to people jumping out of teapots, "The Nutcracker" will transport its audience to the fantasy of childhood.

the Victorian Era. The attention to detail — from the toys to the ornaments on the tree to the intricate costumes — all add to the fantasy and reflect Joffrey's own childhood memories, Arpino said.

"It happens that the Joffrey's Ballet of Chicago's 'Nutcracker' is a really fun, exciting evening in dance," Arpino said. "You can't come away from it without feeling something."

The seasonal story

Dozens of children dancing around a Victorian Christmas tree heaped with presents, a Mouse King battling a Nutcracker-come-to-life and the Sugar Plum Fairy twirling magically through the Kingdom of the Sweets sets the stage for a ballet that is uplifting and filled with the holiday spirit.

"In all our American lives we've been given over to the Christmas holidays in which the Christ within us is once again revitalized," Arpino said. "That's what

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'The Nutcracker' At a Glance

- The first company to perform "The Nutcracker" in the United States was the Ballet Russe do Monte Carlo in 1940.
- Robert Joffrey was born on Christmas Eve to parents Joseph and Mary. In the tradition of the Christmas spirit and his birthday, parties were thrown every year for the company and friends, and a gift was given to every dancer.
- The Joffrey Ballet premiered its version of "The Nutcracker" in Iowa City in 1987.
- Hancher co-produced Prince's rock-ballet "Billboards" with the Joffrey Ballet in 1993.
- Seventy-seven Iowa children will perform in the production.
- The production's 200 costumes were based on Victorian American prints, engravings, lithographs, woodcuts and pop-up greeting cards.
- The mouse calvary, rocking horse and 14-foot-tall Mother Ginger puppet were designed by Kermit Love, the creator of Big Bird and the man in whose honor Kermit the Frog was named.
- The front curtain, painted by Oliver Smith, contains many items from Joffrey's home, a goat to reflect his astrological sign of Capricorn and Napoleon's hat — one of his heros.
- Hancher had to double its stage weights for "The Nutcracker" 's world premiere in 1987.

Joffrey returns to I.C. roots

Katharine Horowitz
 The Daily Iowan

From the gradual growth of the Christmas tree to a dream world of Sugar Plum Fairies and handsome princes, the 1987 world premiere of the Joffrey Ballet's "The Nutcracker" at the UI sparked a local tradition.

Nearly 10 years after its birth, the Chicago dance company has made it a tradition to return to Iowa City every other year to charm its original viewers.

"The Nutcracker" was created here," said Gerald Arpino, artistic director and co-founder of the Joffrey Ballet. "Iowa is where we revitalized and re-energized the whole production. 'The Nutcracker' is an Iowa production."

The Joffrey Ballet takes a piece of its Iowa with it wherever it travels — literally, Arpino said.

"Every prop is an Iowan prop," he said. "I got the mousetrap in an antique store in Iowa City and I bought the rocking horse in Iowa City and they are still being used."

The tie between the Joffrey Ballet and Iowa City began at the UI in 1974, when the company came to the Midwest through the help of the National Endowment for the Arts, said Winston Barclay, assistant director of UI Arts Center Relations. The performance was popular enough to incite the Joffrey's return to the UI every other year to perform a bal-

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Production incorporates local children as dancers

Sara Kennedy
 The Daily Iowan

Erin Oldfield has spent most of the past 10 weeks acting just like any other 12-year-old girl. But twice a week, for about five hours, Oldfield becomes a star.

Decked out in black leotards and pink tights, their hair slicked back into buns, Oldfield and 76 other Iowa children have practiced at Halsey Hall each weekend in anticipation of their professional debuts in the Joffrey Ballet's "The Nutcracker."

As the production travels from town to town, it recruits and trains young dancers to participate in the production. The children are a key element of the show and have a direct impact on the personality of the production, said Gerald Arpino, artistic director and co-founder of the Joffrey.

"What's so amazing in the Joffrey's production is the genius of the children," he said. "Our children have to be musical, physical,

they have to be able to act, they have to be able to take everything that is directed."

Oldfield, who has been dancing for nine years, beat out hundreds of other girls and boys for one of the precious spots in the cast. Even at a young age, the Marion native realized the prestige of the Joffrey Ballet.

"I did it just for the experience," she said. "I didn't expect to make it at all. I mean it's the Joffrey. It's 'The Nutcracker.'"

Arpino said the beauty of the scenes with the children is all of their movements seem spontaneous, but all are carefully structured for the best effect.

"In the party scene, every child had their count, their measure of music ... It looks improvised, but all great chaos is choreographed," he said.

The children were directed by local coordinator Diane Danhieux, director of the Terpsichore School of Dance in Iowa City and two Joffrey choreographers.

For Oldfield, the experience is a far cry from the ballet recitals she has previously performed in.

"They're a lot stricter and they yell a lot," she said of the Joffrey choreographers. "They're picky about the smallest little detail. But I guess they have to be."

Joan Trynellis, an Iowa City resident whose daughter is performing in the ballet, said her daughter has shown more excitement than nervousness while preparing for the show.

"It's been really great for them to see how the professional behave," she said. "The Joffrey Ballet looks at them as professionals and a lot is expected of them."

The high expectations stem from the success of the children in the past. Arpino said their actions can have a huge impact on the atmosphere of the show.

"The main changes that ever happen are caused by the spontaneity of the children," he said. "The children are the running



Brian Ray/The Daily Iowan

Children from Iowa City and surrounding areas practice Monday night at Halsey Hall for the battle scene of "The Nutcracker," which will be performed this weekend at Hancher Auditorium.

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Arts & Entertainment

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"Daylight" (PG-13) — This new Sylvester Stallone flick, which finds the ubiquitous actor trying to lead a mismatched group of survivors out of a collapsed traffic tunnel that connects New York and New Jersey, doesn't offer anything new to the disaster-movie genre. In fact, it's almost a carbon copy of the most notorious disaster film ever made, "The Poseidon Adventure."

While Stallone's unintelligible speech makes the performance difficult to watch, the film isn't any worse than a lot of what Hollywood tries to pass onto the public these days. In fact, there are some rescue sequences that manage to ring genuine emotion. At Coral IV Theatres, Coralville. ••

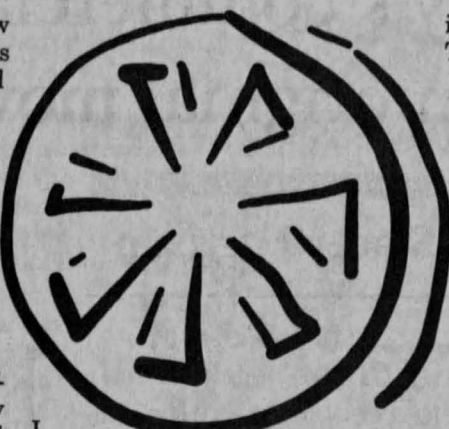
"The English Patient" (R) — Ralph Fiennes ("Strange Days") gives his standard wooden performance as a horribly disfigured World War II fighter pilot who feigns amnesia to his caring nurse (Juliette Binoche, "Damage") because he is ashamed of the things he has done. At an inexplicably long 165 minutes, the endearing performances by Binoche, in a thankless role, and Kristin Scott Thomas ("Mission: Impossible") as Fiennes' paramour, are barely enough to distract from the fact that this is really much ado about nothing. At Campus Theatres, Old Capitol Mall. ••

"Jerry Maguire" (R) — Opens Friday at Coral IV. See Page 3C for review.

"Jingle All the Way" (PG) — This movie is about as fun as listening to Gilbert Gottfried sing "Jingle Bells" for an hour and a half.

The biggest tragedy of the inevitable box-office prosperity of "Jingle All the Way" is the horrific vision of parents being dragged to this piece of Yuletide junk by their screaming children. The kids will enjoy it, but anyone over the age of 10 will just have to grin and bear it. "Jingle All the Way"? ... Bah. Humbug. At Coral IV. •

"Mars Attacks!" (PG-13) — From the twisted mind of Tim Burton, this film is a satirical tale of an alien invasion, featuring an all-star cast that includes Jack Nicholson, Glenn Close, Pierce Brosnan and Michael



J. Fox. Opens Friday at Cinemas I & II, Sycamore Mall.

"101 Dalmatians" (G) — This heavily hyped Disney film is an uncreative rehashing of the 1961 animated classic. Blatantly lifting elements from "Home Alone" and "Babe," the movie is an assortment of painfully elaborate settings, wooden characters and clichéd humor.

The human-like actions performed by the talented dogs are often whimsical, but the film's sequences featuring people are completely devoid of any trademark Disney magic. Although the film diverts kids' attention for a few hours, adults who are old enough to remember the original will be extremely disappointed. At Cinemas I & II, Sycamore Mall. •

"The Preacher's Wife" (PG) — A remake of 1947's "The Bishop's Wife," this comedy stars Whitney Houston ("The Bodyguard") as a gospel singer and Denzel Washington ("Courage Under Fire") as an angel who comes to save the ministry. Opens Friday at Coral IV.

"Ransom" (R) — This new Mel Gibson adventure, loosely based on a 1950 film of the same name, is a tale of two movies. The first of these is a tedious, technically erred display of Hollywood hokum. The second, however, is a suspense-filled, adrenalin-pumping display of Hollywood hokum.

After an uneventful first half, a plot twist sets the tone for what becomes a gut-wrenching revenge drama. Even the most jaded of filmgoers will suffer attacks of numbness and shortness of breath after viewing "Ransom."

Too bad the first half of the movie

isn't worth a penny. At Englert Theatre. •••

"Romeo & Juliet" (PG-13) — Cynics and Shakespeare purists might dismiss this new, revisualized version of the classic as nothing more than MTV-esque brain candy, but the movie is far more than that.

Leonardo DiCaprio and Claire Danes do exceptionally well in the lead roles, but there is fine support all around.

Best of all, the bleak world of the movie makes the lovers' ultimate solution even more moving than it was in the original text. At Campus Theatres. •••1/2

"Space Jam" (PG) — Forget the cologne and the Big Macs —

this is publicity at its height with all the big names.

With opening shots looking like a bad TV show, the line between believe and make-believe is badly drawn, literally. It's bad enough when supermodels decide to make a career change into acting, but when athletes cross that line, all hell breaks loose. "Space Jam" is no more than a multimillion-dollar halftime entertainment for sports figures in between career moves. At Englert Theatre. •1/2

"Star Trek: First Contact" (PG-13) — The eighth film in the space series takes a bold new approach to the formula. There's more action, less talk and the film introduces a totally foreign element to "Star Trek" — terror. The villains in this installment, the Borg, are a race of cybergenetic zombies bent on assimilating the entire universe to their way of thinking.

There isn't much to knock about this film from a pure enjoyment point of view. With broad humor and a talented supporting cast, this installment shows there are no signs that this film series will cease to live long and prosper. At Campus Theatres. •••

There will be a sneak preview of "One Fine Day" Saturday at 7:10 p.m. at Coral IV Theatres.

THURSDAY PRIME TIME

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- 23 Ft. Bragg constabulary
- 25 What a waste!
- 26 Finds oneself with a pink slip
- 30 "Rich Harbor" and others
- 31 S.F., for one
- 32 Some dashes
- 33 Honorarium
- 34 Creep
- 37 "Howards End" author
- 41 LummoX
- 42 Evil, to Yvette
- 43 Mission closing
- 44 State in NE India
- 47 Wilderness Road traveler
- 50 Invitation to dance
- 52 Eggy prefix
- 53 Vamooses
- 54 Tickle
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- 63 Poetic contraction
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- 68 Wonderment

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- 9 Fabric add-ons
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- 11 Shoving match
- 12 Plays the ham
- 15 Interpret
- 18 Some are slippery
- 22 TV weatherman
- 24 Bundle
- 25 Slips
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- 28 Crag
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- 33 Original Shakespeare edition
- 35 Bank giveaways
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- 37 It shoots the breeze
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- 39 Directional suffix
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- 44 White mouse, for example
- 45 Like Muscat raisins
- 46 Lost freshness
- 47 Tizzy
- 48 Got around
- 49 Wheels on Oscar night
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- 55 Kareem's alma mater
- 56 Depict unfairly
- 57 Marchese d' — (Italian nobleman)
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Child actor in new roma

Greg Kirschling
The Daily Iowan

You know any movie with Tom Cruise as the lead is hitting skids when a perky child actor steals the show, and by that standard, "Jerry Maguire" crashes and burns.

The cute little tyke is named Ray in the film, and he's played by the ebullient young Jonathan Lipnicki ("The Jeff Foxworthy Show"), who probably could out-twinkle Shirley Temple. The tyke is so lovable and adorable in the movie that the couples the film aimed at will probably think about having one of their own.

FILM REVIEW

Jerry Maguire

Starring Tom Cruise
Renee Zellweger
Directed by Cameron Crowe
Screenplay by Cameron Crowe
★★ out of ★★★★★

when they get home. Amazingly, all of this is good. The kid saves the picture. Yes, it's a bit cloying to see the way Lipnicki is primed for coaxing out of a few (primary female) audience members (as Cruise weren't enough). Lipnicki also gets the biggest laughs in the movie. Using him is a dirty trick, but it works.

Largely, the rest of the film doesn't. Cruise plays Jerry, a top-notch sports agent whose fast-paced career soars until, in mental breakdown, he pens a idealistic 25-page manifesto of what's wrong with the cynical sports business, and it gets him fired.

A secretary from his corporation, Dorothy (relative newcomer Renee Zellweger), follows him

CD Review

Death Row disgraces timeless Christmas carols

Despite its humorous album cover — featuring a colored-pencil magic-marker drawing of Santa in an electric chair — the Death Row Records compilation, *Christmas on Death Row*, is a surprising mediocre attempt to infuse rap and R&B into the holiday season. Instead of livening up classic Christmas tunes, the album falls into the same rut of cookie-cutter music and mindless lyrics that has plagued other Death Row releases.

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Arts & Entertainment

Playwrights Workshop students showcase diverse one-act plays

Greg Kirschling
The Daily Iowan

You wouldn't think a 13-year-old who wonders if she's an alien would ever share a stage with a 19th-century Haitian revolutionary leader or an orphan based on a character from a Hungarian short story.

But throw these three disparate characters together and you have the trio of original one-act plays written by first-year members of the Iowa Playwrights Workshop.

The plays, penned by Amy Wheeler, Leah Ryan and Levy Lee Simon Jr., will be performed in Theatre B of the UI Theatre Building tonight at 7.

"There's such a contrast between all three pieces," said Mary Gallagher, head of the Playwrights Workshop. "They take on very different themes, times and communities of people. It'll be a very interesting evening."

This performance will mark the first time first-year students of the Playwrights Workshop have received their own evening to present their works. Adding to the challenge, all three playwrights chose to do brand-new works they began only this semester.

"These guys are really brave," Gallagher said. "They could have chosen to do plays that they had already written, that they knew were in good shape, but they didn't."

Wheeler, for example, originally planned to restage one of her completed one-act plays, but she waited until the end of October before

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deciding to create something new. "We've created a play from the ground up in six weeks," said Wheeler, whose dark drama "Two Birds and a Stone" pairs a street-wise orphan and a pregnant homeless woman.

Wheeler stressed these three plays should be taken as works-in-progress. Because budgets were small (around \$75 per act), production values represent the minimum.

Yet, Simon said he faced an additional challenge. His play, "The Last Day in the Life of King Henri Christophe," introduces the audience to the first king of Haiti. Due to the subject matter, casting was a major obstacle.

"Casting was difficult because there's not a lot of African-American actors or artists here, and so we had to really go out and find people and convince them to do something," said Simon, who plays the title role in his play.

The third play, "Grade Eight

From Outer Space," expresses the trials and tribulations of a frustrated young woman who is convinced she must be becoming an alien, and playwright Ryan experienced a less-pressing frustration while the play was in rehearsal.

"There's never enough time to do what you want to do. I'd like to have three or four more weeks to work on it a little more," she said. "But you never have enough time when you're working in theater. That's the nature of the beast."

Despite these minor setbacks, the three playwrights said they see the experience as invaluable. As first-year workshop students, they were amazed they even got the opportunity in the first place, Wheeler said.

"It's very rare in graduate writing programs to have a chance to see a work on its feet so quickly. I don't know of other programs that do that," she said.

Gallagher agreed it's a tremendous opportunity for the new members, and she said she sees it as an essential part of the Playwrights Workshop she hopes to see continued.

"Why wait, because you learn so much more about your play when you get it into rehearsal and production than you do when you sit around and talk about it," Gallagher said.

The one-act plays will also be performed Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door for \$4, \$2 for UI students and senior citizens.

Board names 'Shine' film of the year

Associated Press

NEW YORK — "Shine," the Australian film about a brilliant, disturbed pianist, and "Fargo," an offbeat murder tale set in Minnesota, took top awards from the National Board of Review of Motion Pictures.

The board named "Shine" best film of the year Tuesday and gave Joel Coen directing honors for "Fargo" and his wife, Frances McDormand, the best actress award for her role as the pregnant sheriff in the dark comedy.

Tom Cruise was named best actor for his work as a fallen sports agent fighting for a comeback in "Jerry Maguire," while his costar, Renee Zellweger, was

named best breakthrough performer.

The board, made up of teachers, actors, writers, movie production workers and others, will present the awards Feb. 24 at a gala dinner at Tavern on the Green in New York.

Edward Norton was named best supporting actor for his work in "Primal Fear," "Everyone Says I Love You," and "The People vs. Larry Flynt." Best supporting actress was a tie between Juliette Binoche and Kristin Scott Thomas of "The English Patient."

"Ridicule," an 18th-century French costume drama set in the corrupt court of King Louis XVI, was named best foreign film.

"Paradise Lost" was named best documentary, and "Wild Bill" was named best television documentary.

A special award for outstanding achievement in ensemble performance went to the cast of "First Wives Club." Gena Rowlands received a career achievement award and Billy Bob Thornton received a special achievement for filmmaking for "Sling Blade."

"Shine," directed by newcomer Scott Hicks, tells the heartrending story of Australian musician David Helfgott, a brilliant pianist undone in later life by a nervous disorder. Three different actors played the role of the pianist in the film.

Madonna thankful for recent good fortune

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Va. — Madonna said she tries to keep a sense of humor about the fact that almost everything she does is open to public scrutiny, but she does get irritated about some things.

"My having a child is not for public consumption," she told USA Today. "It's not a career move. It's not a performance to be judged and rated. Nor is my role as a mother."

In the interview published Wednesday, the 38-year-old singer-actress-mother said it "was incredibly poetic" that she got pregnant while filming the movie "Evita," a musical that will open Christmas Day.

"I waited so long for this movie, and it finally happened," she said. "I wanted so badly to have a child, and I got pregnant while making the movie. Suddenly, God gave me two gifts that were very important to me."

Except for "major sleep deprivation," she said the motherhood role she assumed Oct. 14 with the birth of Lourdes Maria Ciccone Leon is going well.

Notwithstanding her complaint that the media "turned my pregnancy into a spectacle," Madonna told the paper — in what it called her "first postpartum interview" — things went well. "It was great," she said. "I

worked out. I didn't have any weird food cravings. I felt fine until the last couple of weeks, when you have to wheelbarrow yourself around. Your lower back starts killing you, and you don't want to get out of your pajamas."

She said she still works out, but not so intensely as before. "Now that I've had the baby, I feel liberated in a sense," she said. "I don't feel I have to be a certain size or have perfect abs. I still exercise, but I don't care as much."

She said she sees no need to marry the baby's father, Carlos Leon. "I'm perfectly happy with the way things are," she said.

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Local ties

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CHEAP GIFTS

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threads throughout the work. And how we inspire them to coordinate and bring the work together make the various changes. Some seasons you'll get all the geniuses and the next season you'll only have one or two. You're always in hopes you'll have the next wave of great dancers."

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"It's not a particularly difficult piece, but if you get in with a professional orchestra and have to

produce at the right minute and at the right time, anything's a challenge," Hatcher said. "It's a small part as far as the whole ballet is concerned."

UI junior Amanda Sprague said the opportunity to perform in the choir, which usually is made up of children, is a great chance to mix singing with ballet.

"It's really exciting to think we're going to be a part of the Joffrey Ballet," she said. "I've performed at Hancher before, but never with a ballet. You don't usually find the two things coinciding."

UI students also are a part of the 60-member free-lance orchestra that will perform all of the music in the ballet. Allen Ohmes, UI professor emeritus of music, selected and organized the 60-member group that includes six UI students and musicians from all over the Midwest.

Sprague said the use of community members in the world-famous production adds an extra element for the audience.

"It definitely has more draw to the community," she said. "It's so much more when Iowa City performers are involved than if a company just comes in and says, 'Hi, we're here to show off for you.'"

Joffrey's everlasting gift

Showing off the tremendous skills of his performers is something Arpino, who choreographed the "Waltz of the Flowers," is obsessive about.

"I manage to constantly improve it," he said. "Production-wise I'm a

die-hard. I'm never sentimental about any of it. I'm very pure and very demanding about production. I'm tough."

However, he wasn't always so passionate about the sugary-sweet production. Arpino had no interest in becoming involved with "The Nutcracker" until he was "conned" into it by Joffrey shortly before he died in 1988. In an attempt to help Arpino with ideas for the choreography, Joffrey suggested he watch previous versions of the ballet — a thought Arpino detested even more than doing the show at all.

"I said, 'No. If you're asking me to do this I'm just going to go into my own imagination and I'm going to do it my way. I'm not going to look at somebody else's 'Nutcracker.' And I never did. And now when I look at mine, it's fresh," he said.

That's not to say, however, that Arpino — the mastermind behind Prince's rock-opera "Billboards" — has grown complacent with the perennial hit. Because of Joffrey's tremendous love for "The Nutcracker," Arpino and the company as a whole have made a constant attempt to raise the standard of the production since his death.

ABC scored a 9.5 rating for the week of Dec. 2-8, buoyed by a Barbara Walters special and Diane Sawyer's interview with actor Robert Downey Jr. on "Primetime Live."

CBS finished second with a 9.4 rating while NBC, the season's ratings leader, was third with a 9.2 rating and 15 share, Nielsen Media Research said Tuesday. Fox had an 8.3 rating.

Many of the major networks turned to holiday specials or reruns following the crucial November "sweeps" period. ABC's tally was the lowest rating to win a week during the season, Nielsen said.

TIES

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However, it wasn't until 1978 that the bond between the Joffrey Ballet and the Iowa City community began. Scheduled to perform a ballet version of "Romeo and Juliet," the company ran into some problems — the dancers' costumes were stuck in a snowdrift somewhere in Ohio. But with support and help from Iowa City residents, the show went on.

"Everyone in this town brought their dresses, their hats, their boots," Arpino said. "They brought all their clothes to do 'Romeo and Juliet.' The whole university opened its doors to us. No other city has ever done that for us. We've never been a part of one like it."

It was this helpful assistance that cemented the relationship between the Joffrey and Iowa City.

The Joffrey Ballet established two residencies at the UI in the summer of 1987 and began preparing for the world premiere of founder Robert Joffrey's production of the Tchaikovsky classic, "The Nutcracker." And with a little assistance from the Iowa City community, which raised more than \$300,000 to help the production get on its feet, the popular Christmas story opened at Hancher Auditorium that December.

"The premiere was covered by CBS news," Barclay said. "It was the biggest thing that had ever been done in Hancher. The auditorium had to double its stage weights to handle the show."

Cast member and Iowa City resident Deanne Brown said she remembers "The Nutcracker" 's UI premiere as full of excitement and anticipation, and is eager to return to the familiar Hancher stage.

"Hancher has a wonderful stage and is beautiful from both perspectives," Brown said. "As a child I remember watching some of the most brilliant performances done there, and now I have the chance to be a part of them."

The family atmosphere of not only being a part of the cast of "The Nutcracker," but returning to a welcoming community and the home of the Christmas production also lends itself to the excitement, Brown said.

"I have friends and family I'm planning on seeing which adds an extra spark to the excitement of coming home — knowing that there's someone out there to see you and only you," she said. "It's really comforting to be coming back home and seeing the familiar sights. And knowing that Iowa City has given so much support for the Joffrey and the arts gives a really good feeling."

NewsBriefs

Nielsens

NEW YORK (AP) — Slumping ABC took advantage of a relatively quiet week in television to post its second ratings win of the 12-week season in a tight race.

ABC scored a 9.5 rating for the week of Dec. 2-8, buoyed by a Barbara Walters special and Diane Sawyer's interview with actor Robert Downey Jr. on "Primetime Live."

CBS finished second with a 9.4 rating while NBC, the season's ratings leader, was third with a 9.2 rating and 15 share, Nielsen Media Research said Tuesday. Fox had an 8.3 rating.

Many of the major networks turned to holiday specials or reruns following the crucial November "sweeps" period. ABC's tally was the lowest rating to win a week during the season, Nielsen said.

For the week of Dec. 2-8, the top 10 shows and their networks were:

1. "Seinfeld," NBC, 16.9
2. "ER," NBC
3. "CBS Sunday Movie: Mrs. Santa Claus,"
3. "Men Behaving Badly," NBC
5. "Home Improvement," ABC
6. "Friends," NBC
7. "Barbara Walters Special," ABC

8. "Sears Family Theater: Home Alone 2," Fox

9. "NFL Monday Night Football," ABC

10. "NYPD Blue," ABC

ABC's Brit Hume moving to Fox News

NEW YORK (AP) — After 23 years with ABC, Brit Hume is jumping ship to become chief of Washington operations for the fledgling Fox News Channel.

"It's like moving from the Yankees to an expansion team," Hume said Tuesday. "But this is no ordinary expansion team. My view is they have put an astonishing product on the air in a period of time which one would have thought is not possible."

Fox News Channel took to the air Oct. 7, joining CNN and MSNBC as cable all-news outfits.

Hume, ABC's chief White House correspondent, will oversee Washington news and deliver reports for Fox starting in January.

The move forced some managerial juggling at Fox, where Hume's wife, Kim, is deputy bureau chief. Neither Hume will report to each other, he said.

Neither Fox nor Hume would discuss financial terms. Hume, 53, began working for ABC's documentary division in

1973. He will be succeeded as ABC's White House correspondent by John Donovan, a former Moscow bureau chief who most recently covered the Dole campaign for the network.

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threads throughout the work. And how we inspire them to coordinate and bring the work together makes the various changes. Some seasons you'll get all the geniuses and the next season you'll only have one or two. You're always in hopes you'll have the next wave of great dancers."

The "Nutcracker" experience has inspired many young dancers to dedicate themselves more fully to the trade, Arpino said, and Trynelis said she has seen the same tendency in her daughter.

"She never thought about it before being here," she said. "But now that she's experienced it she thinks it what she wants to do

when she grows up. I think a lot of little girls are like that."

Oldfield, too, has enjoyed her taste of the professional dance world.

"It makes me think about it more," Oldfield said. "We've been able to see the dancers training here and it's interesting to watch them."

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Ross Wilburn, a clarinet duo, will perform at The Great Midwestern Ice Cream Co., 126 E. Washington St., from 8-10 p.m.

Billy Goat will play with special guests Family Groove Company at Gunnerz, 123 E. Washington St. Doors will open at 9 p.m.

Dagobah will play at Gabe's, 330 E. Washington St. Doors will open at 9 p.m.

Radoslav Lorkovic will perform at The Mill Restaurant, 120 E. Burlington St., at 9 p.m.

Aaron Sizemore Trio will perform jazz music at the Sanctuary Restaurant & Pub, 405 S. Gilbert St., at 9:30 p.m.

Ben Schmidt will perform acoustic music at Brewed Awakenings, 509 S. Gilbert St., from 8:30-11 p.m.

HANCHER

The Joffrey Ballet of Chicago will perform "The Nutcracker" at Hancher Auditorium at 8 p.m.

THEATER

University Theatres Gallery will perform four one-act plays in Theatre B of the UI Theatre Building at 7 p.m. Tickets for the performance will be available at the door for \$4, \$2 for UI students and senior citizens.

"A Christmas Carol" will be performed at the Price Creek Stage of the Amana Colonies Visitor Center at 3 p.m. Tickets for the performance are \$15, \$8.50 for children.

BIJOU

7:30 p.m. - "Frankenstein"

READING

Lee Smith will read from her book "The Christmas Letters" at Prairie Lights Books, 15 S. Dubuque St., at 8 p.m.

EVENT

The 18th annual Elizabethan Madrigal Dinner performances, a joint presentation of the UI School of Music and the Union, will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Main Lounge of the Union.

friday

LIVE BANDS

McDain & Horn, flute duets, will perform at Brewed Awakenings from 8:30-11 p.m.

Sugarbottom will play with special guests Sara Pace at Gunnerz. Doors will open at 9 p.m.

Bent Scepters will play with special guests The Civiltones at Gabe's. Doors will open at 9 p.m.

Rob Lumbard will perform at The Mill Restaurant at 9 p.m.

Strange Neighbors will play with special guests Sam Knutson & Ivan at The Q Bar, 211 Iowa Ave. Doors will open at 9 p.m.

Solo jazz pianist Jim Mulac will perform at Blimpie/Uncommon Grounds, 118 S. Dubuque St., from 9-11:45 p.m.

Aaron Sizemore Trio will perform jazz music at the Sanctuary Restaurant & Pub at 9:30 p.m.

HANCHER

The Joffrey Ballet of Chicago will perform "The Nutcracker" at Hancher Auditorium at 8 p.m.

THEATER

"Best of No Shame Theatre"

THEATER

University Theatres Gallery will perform four one-act plays in Theatre B of the UI Theatre Building at 11 p.m. Tickets are \$2.

University Theatres Gallery will perform four one-act plays in Theatre B of the UI Theatre Building at 7 p.m.

"Holiday Memories" will be performed at Riverside Theatre Co., 231 N. Gilbert St. at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15, \$12 for students and senior citizens.

"Agamemnon and the City of Argos," Aeschylus' Greek Tragedies viewed through a '90s lens, will be performed in the auditorium of West High School, 2901 Melrose Ave., at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5, \$3 for students.

"A Christmas Carol" will be performed at the Price Creek Stage of the Amana Colonies Visitor Center at 8 p.m.

BIJOU

7 p.m. - "Best of the International Tournee of Animation" 8:45 p.m. - "Ghost in the Shell"

EVENT

The 18th annual Elizabethan Madrigal Dinner performances will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Main Lounge of the Union.

Collegium Tubum, a UI School of Music ensemble of tubas, euphoniums and related instruments, will perform under the direction of faculty member Robert Yeats outside of the Old Capitol Building at 12:30 p.m.

The Eastside Artists will hold their annual Holiday Open House and Sale at the Summit Street Gallery, 812 S. Summit St., from noon to 8 p.m.

saturday

LIVE BANDS

Nepenthe will play at The Great Midwestern Ice Cream Co. from 8-10 p.m.

The Kabalas will make a special appearance at bj's compact discs, 6 1/2 S. Dubuque St., at 4 p.m.

The Pee Pee's, Strike-Out, Victim Anonymous and Boris the Sprinkler will play an all-ages show at Gunnerz at 5 p.m. B.F. Burt and the Instigators will play at Gunnerz at 9 p.m.

The acoustic pop duo Brother's Keeper will play at Brewed Awakenings from 8:30-11 p.m.

Orquesta de Jazz y Salsa Alto Maiz will play at Gabe's. Doors will open at 9 p.m.

Dave Olson will perform acoustic music at Blimpie/Uncommon Grounds from 9-11:45 p.m.

Shade of Blue will play with special guests Project Soul at The Q Bar. Doors will open at 9 p.m.

The Bryce Janey Trio will perform at The Mill Restaurant at 9 p.m.

Aaron Sizemore Trio will perform jazz music at the Sanctuary Restaurant & Pub at 9:30 p.m.

HANCHER

The Joffrey Ballet of Chicago will perform "The Nutcracker" at Hancher Auditorium at 2 and 8 p.m.

University Theatres Gallery will perform four one-act plays in Theatre B of the UI Theatre Building at 7 p.m.

"Holiday Memories" will be performed at Riverside Theatre Co., 231 N. Gilbert St. at 8 p.m.

"Agamemnon and the City of Argos" will be performed in the auditorium of West High School at 7:30 p.m.

"A Christmas Carol" will be performed at the Price Creek Stage of the Amana Colonies Visitor Center at 3 and 8 p.m.

BIJOU

7 p.m. - "Ghost in the Shell" 8:45 p.m. - "Best of the International Tournee of Animation"

EVENT

The 18th annual Elizabethan Madrigal Dinner performances will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Main Lounge of the Union.

The Eastside Artists will hold their annual Holiday Open House and Sale at the Summit Street Gallery from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

sunday

LIVE BANDS

Classical pianist Richard Bloesch will perform at Blimpie/Uncommon Grounds from 7-9 p.m.

HANCHER

The Joffrey Ballet of Chicago will perform "The Nutcracker" at Hancher Auditorium at 2 p.m.

THEATER

University Theatres Gallery will perform four one-act plays in Theatre B of the UI Theatre Building at 3 p.m.

"Holiday Memories" will be performed at Riverside Theatre Company, 231 N. Gilbert St., at 2 p.m.

"Agamemnon and the City of Argos" will be performed in the auditorium of West High School at 3 p.m.

"A Christmas Carol" will be performed at the Price Creek Stage of the Amana Colonies Visitor Center at 3 p.m.

BIJOU

7 p.m. - "Best of the International Tournee of Animation" 8:45 p.m. - "Ghost in the Shell"

EVENT

The Percussion Ensemble and director Dan Moore will present the "Last Chance Concert" in the Voxman Hall of the Voxman Music Building. The performance will be free and open to the public.

The 18th annual Elizabethan Madrigal Dinner performances will be held at 1:30 and 6:30 p.m. in the Main Lounge of the Union.

The Eastside Artists will hold their annual Holiday Open House and Sale at the Summit Street Gallery from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ARTS CALENDAR BLANK

Mail or bring to The Daily Iowan, Communications Center Room 201N. Deadline for submitting items is 5 p.m. Monday the week of the event. All items will be listed in EightyHours. If event is more than one night, list all dates and times; if event is an exhibit, list gallery's open times and the show's end date. Please print clearly.

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Search to replace

Jennifer Cassell The Daily Iowan

National ads have been by a UI Liberal Arts Search mittee to appoint a new dean the upcoming school year.

Current College of Liberal Arts (CLA) Dean Judith announced her resignation this school year, citing a lack of teaching and research as a factor of German as her reason for returning to the classroom last day as dean of the CLA June 30, 1997. The search for a new dean is expected to begin in January.

"The resignation was planned really from the beginning. I always set five, maybe six years as a target for when I would graduate and teach," Aikin said.

Aikin began her term as academic administrator in August. However, she said she never intended to enter administration.

SMITHSONIAN

Han Solo X-Wings take to stars again

Jennifer Brown Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The X-wing fighter piloted by Luke Skywalker in "Star Wars" isn't as historically significant — or flight-worthy — as the Apollo 11 space capsule. Smithsonian's most popular museum. But curators say it has earned its space by sparking American imaginations.

The National Air and Space Museum announced Tuesday

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UI biology Professor Dr. Building Thursday afternoon a process that labels cells (for a microscope). "I've been they give me a new batch of it's always very challenging since I started teaching that