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ARH honored with seminar

Eric Neubauer
The Daily Iowan

Students' hard work with Associated Residence Halls (ARH) will pay off next November when the UI hosts a leadership seminar for 50 colleges and universities.

MACURH '97, the Midwest Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls, is held annually at select universities that compete for the opportunity to host the seminar. MACURH is comprised of 50 schools from seven states in the United States and Manitoba, Canada.

The event is a very prestigious award for the UI, UI senior and ARH President Chad Doellinger said.

"It's a very big accomplishment, a very big honor," Doellinger said. "It's a national honor for the university."

Mindy Giuffre, a UI junior and national committee coordinator of the ARH, said she has worked on the bid for the seminar since last February.

"We had to put together a video about campus along with an oral presentation," Giuffre said. "We also wrote a 40-page written proposal."

The ARH presented their proposal at MACURH '96, which was hosted in St. Louis. The presentation consisted of their proposal and then a 15 minute question and answer session by the other schools.

"It was very hard. They wanted to make sure if this would be a good place for the conference," Giuffre said. "They didn't have to choose us. They don't have a lot of schools bidding for the conference because it is such a huge commitment. It is going to be the next year and a half of my life."

UI sophomore and ARH Programming Director Michelle Bush said about 550 people will attend this conference, which is about 12 students from each school. The purpose of this conference is to help students with their leadership abilities.

"Basically, it is a way to motivate schools' student governments," Bush said.

Doellinger said the conferences are meant to improve students' leadership abilities as well.

"It is to improve the qualities of residence hall governments, as well as their leadership abilities," Doellinger said.

The ARH also hosted a leadership conference of its own this past semester, with students from each floor government

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4 hostages released in Peru

Frank Bajak
Associated Press

LIMA, Peru — Communist rebels freed four hostages from an embassy residence Thursday, including one man in a wheelchair, while Peru's government prepared for negotiations to free hundreds more — amid a welter of impassioned but conflicting advice.

The Tupac Amaru Revolutionary

Movement released the four Peruvian men for medical reasons, Red Cross spokesperson Steven Anderson said. Another 375 men are still being held, he said.

Rebels are holding hostages from at least 28 countries. Seven are Americans, according to one American's wife, who was released earlier with all the other women captives.

Red Cross workers passed

through police lines to ferry 800 bananas, 450 apples, bread, ham, cheese and mineral water to the captives, as well as medicine and clothes brought by their families. They also delivered toothbrushes, toothpastes and disposable razors.

The hostages were healthy and calm, although short of toilets and unable to bathe, Red Cross doctor Marc Cortal said.

"The hygienic situation is quite

serious," said Anderson, adding that the Red Cross had been trying to get portable toilets into the building.

At one point Thursday, what sounded like a gunshot was heard in the compound. There was no explanation for it.

The rebel group captured the ambassador's home Tuesday night during a gala dinner for foreign diplomats, business leaders and

Peruvian VIPs. The rebels split up the captives in separate rooms in the white, columned residence, which is hidden from street view by 10-foot walls topped by an electrical fence.

Television reports said at one point that seven young male hostages were freed because of their age, but later said they had not been released and negotiations

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Shoveling a path to the future



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan

Iowa City resident Jeff Vanatter braves the cold to sweep snow from the front patio of the Iowa City Civic Center Thursday morning. Frigid temperatures and a chance of snow flurries are expected for the rest of the week and throughout the weekend.

ALUMNI

Oldest Law School alumna returns



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan

Brendan Brown
The Daily Iowan

Fifty-seven years after successfully completing her studies at the UI School of Law, 91-year-old Lucille Schwilck finally will get her chance to walk across the stage at graduation.

Schwilck, who is the oldest living Law School alumna, will receive a Distinguished Alumna Service Award during commencement ceremonies Saturday.

Schwilck didn't attend her own graduation ceremony in 1939 because she was unable to get time off from her job with a Des Moines law firm. She said she received the phone call informing her of the date of the ceremony just after a tirade by her boss and wasn't in a position to ask.

"I didn't dare go into the man's office and ask him for time off," she said. "So I asked if I could be graduated in absentia. I sent \$15 and

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they mailed me my diploma."

Jacqueline Harrington, director of the Iowa Law School Foundation, said Schwilck's inability to attend was partly related to her status as a woman in a male-dominated profession. She said Schwilck's absence created a void in the school's history and by including her in this commencement, the UI can properly recognize her achievements.

"When I met her I thought, 'We have to make this whole,'" Harrington said. "We want to be able to celebrate her contributions to the Law School. She had a very good experience here and we want to highlight that."

Schwilck earned a master's in

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WINTER VACATION

Stranded students to earn extra money

Renee Bovy
The Daily Iowan

While most UI students are home bonding with their parents and taking advantage of the free room and board, some students will stay in Iowa City making the most of the uncrowded bars and relaxed atmosphere.

The majority of students staying in Iowa City will spend their winter break working.

"I'm staying to work at Hy-Vee because I need the money and because there is nothing to do in my hometown," UI junior Brian Hoppe said.

However, some students will be looking toward their future during winter break and working jobs with more long-term results.

UI senior and industrial engineering major Rob Fuhrmann said he plans to give his future career a jump start by spending his winter break commuting to nearby Amana for a co-op position.

And while most UI students will let their minds go to mush during winter break while watching the entire seven days of James Bond movies on TBS, other students will be thinking about the upcoming

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GRADUATE UNION

COGS' 'grade-in' displays unity

Charlotte Eby
The Daily Iowan

While graduate student union members graded papers for the classes they teach, they gave the UI an "F" for improving health-care insurance and providing tuition waivers for graduate employees.

About 35 members of COGS gathered at a "grade-in" in the Union Thursday to show support for their negotiating committee while grading papers and assignments for their classes.

COGS Co-President David Colman declared the UI "on academic probation" for spring 1997.

"But we're going to give them a chance at extra credit this time," he said.

Colman said the UI has been unresponsive to COGS's proposal to improve health-care insurance for graduate student employees.

COGS is asking the UI to pay for 100 percent of the graduate employee's health-insurance costs and 85 percent of the costs to cover spouses and dependents. COGS also wants the UI to sponsor health-care insurance that offers more preventive care, including yearly check-ups and gynecological exams.

So far, the two groups have not come to an agreement on health-care insurance.

COGS is also hoping to win tuition waivers for graduate employees, but under Iowa law the UI is not required to consider the

request.

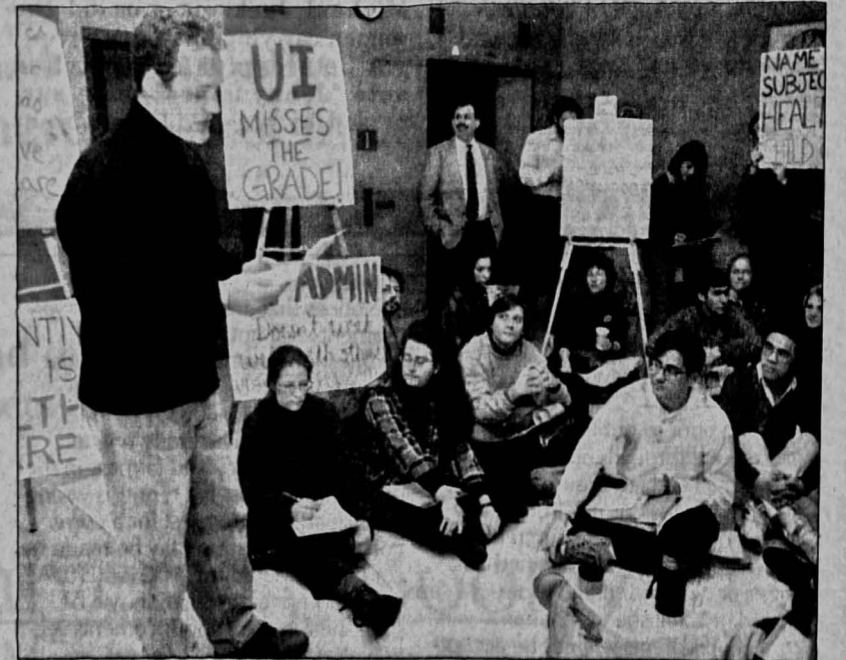
Colman said progress in the collective bargaining sessions between COGS and the UI has been slow, and he hopes the UI will pick up the pace. "Every time they stall, we'll hold an informational picket," Colman said.

Barbara Goldman, a Teaching Assistant in the Department of Theatre Arts, sat on the floor in the Union lobby with fellow TAs grading papers her students had written. Goldman said she doesn't think the UI is taking COGS seriously.

"I'm not sure the university understands the grassroots support for the union is as big as it is," she said.

UI graduate student John Scott

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Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan

David Colman, co-president of COGS, gives an introductory speech to supporters Thursday morning at a "grade-in" in the Union.

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See you next year

The Daily Iowan will resume publication Tuesday, Jan. 21. The business office will re-open Monday, Jan. 13. Have a nice break and a safe New Year.



READ, THEN RECYCLE

Year in Review

People

'Dr. Crane' analyzes real-life wedding

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kelsey Grammer, who plays a radio psychiatrist on NBC's "Frasier," has analyzed his upcoming wedding.

Grammer and his girlfriend of seven months, Camille Donatucci, have announced they're engaged and plan to wed next fall.

"I want to marry Camille not because I think she can make me happy, but because she already has," Grammer said in Thursday's USA Today.

Donatucci is a former model who is attending UCLA Film School and has a part in Woody Allen's movie "Deconstructing Harry." Grammer, who did a month of rehab for substance abuse following a car crash this fall, also portrayed his Dr. Frasier Crane character in TV's "Cheers." This will be his third marriage.

Bacall hopes new films will breathe life into career

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Lauren Bacall wants to keep her rejuvenated film career whistling right along.

"Suddenly I've finished three pictures, can you imagine?" she said in Thursday's editions of The New York Times. "But now I'm unemployed. I mean, I've had a lot of dry years. So these pictures will, I hope, bring attention to the fact that I am around, breathing, walking and talking at the same time."

Bacall plays the mother of Barbra Streisand in "The Mirror Has Two Faces," Jack Lemmon's wife in "My Fellow Americans" and a mystery woman in the French film, "Le Jour et La Nuit," scheduled for an early 1997 release.

Bacall, 72, began her career in 1944 in "To Have and Have Not" with future husband Humphrey Bogart.

Artist formerly known as Prince evades details of baby's health

NEW YORK (AP) — The artist formerly known as Prince confirmed Thursday his first child was born in October with some kind of problem, but he would not elaborate.

Appearing on NBC's "Today" with wife Mayte, the former Prince said, "All I can say is that I'd like to believe that we're both enlightened individuals that know that if you leave things in God's hands you'll find out everything, and you'll find out the answer to the plan. So anything that happens, we accept."

Pa. town vies to be Letterman's 'home office'

LATROBE, Pa. (AP) — Mister Rogers' neighborhood wants David Letterman's home office as its new tenant.

Residents are asking the CBS late-night host to choose this southwestern Pennsylvania town as the mythical "home office" he mentions when he reads his Top 10 list. That designation belongs to Wahoo, Neb., which wooed Letterman with frozen enchiladas and a golf-club membership.

Latrobe residents are putting together a package of goodies, including cases of locally brewed Rolling Rock beer and a toy trolley autographed by native Fred Rogers.



President Clinton waves to the crowd following a Phoenix. Clinton's re-election in November was campaign event at Arizona State University in part of a year full of emotional events.

A year of triumph, tragedy

Ted Anthony
Associated Press

Images, moments in time, etched upon our consciousness: A crowded jetliner scattering its tragic bits and pieces across a quiet shoreline. A president re-elected. Western hills and Southern churches ablaze. A bomb exploding in our midst as we play host to the world.

And ideas, more difficult to explain but equally important: welfare reform. Whitewater. Medicare. Festering disenchantment at the way our nation operates and with those who operate it.

For America, 1996 was one of those years that are increasingly common in complicated times: many images, many ideas, but no overriding theme.

It was a year of enduring but scattered violence at home and occasional American military assistance abroad. A simmering standoff by some people called "Freemen" ended peacefully in Montana while, a couple hundred miles away, the man authorities say was the Unabomber was led away from his lonely, desolate cabin.

Technology insinuated itself even more into our lives. We learned more about the Internet and grappled with defining and regulating it. Would it make us global or could we control it within our borders? Would it open up new horizons — or threaten our children with lurking molesters?

Perhaps most momentarily of all, we learned we might not be alone in the universe — even if our interplanetary companions are, apparently, so many long-dead Martian microbes.

We redefined — or refused to redefine — long-held ideals. The all-male Citadel fell, and in its place rose a co-ed Citadel. The idea of gay marriage died in Washington but lives on in Hawaii. The abortion debate raged on: RU-486 or against it?

We continued our rocky path from celebrity and TV worship to celebrity and TV obsession. A Kennedy was married, and many young women cursed the name Carolyn Bessette.

Another Kennedy's estate went up for auction, and people swarmed for pieces of the memory. Madonna bore child, and Michael Jackson married the woman carrying his.

A heterosexual man invited onto "Jenny Jones" to be surprised by a gay admirer went

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home, stewed, and killed his would-be suitor days later. O.J. Simpson, whose saga molded both 1994 and 1995, left his mark on 1996 with a civil trial as riveting, if not as media-exposed, as the criminal one.

We sent the Menendezes to prison and Polly Klaas' killer to death row. Theodore Kaczynski, who wanted to be alone, was dragged from his shack and became a household name. Most Americans lost count of the number of people we executed.

There was too much water and wind in the Carolinas, where a hurricane named Fran killed more than a dozen and caused more than \$1 billion in damage. Not enough water made life miserable in the Southwest, where drought dried crops and hopes and summoned Dust Bowl images into our minds once again.

Death visited in its usual capricious manner.

Just as we were getting over ValuJet Flight 592 falling out of the sky and into the swamp, extinguishing 109 lives, TWA Flight 800 to Paris exploded over Long Island, leaving 230 people dead and both confusion and terror behind. Was it a bomb? We don't know. But it might as well have been; another layer of security was peeled back.

Just days after that came the Olympic Park bomb, which took a life, wrecked another and made us wonder, for a moment, whether we should rethink the way we treat public spaces.

A 7-year-old girl named Jessica who so wanted to become the youngest pilot to cross the United States crashed and died in Wyoming. An honor-obsessed Navy leader went out into his yard and shot himself in the chest. Dr. Kevorkian made us keep asking the question: mercy or murder?

And Americans died abroad, too. A truck bomb killed 19 at a U.S. Air Force housing area in Saudi Arabia. Almost twice that number died when a military plane crashed into a Croatian mountain, killing Ron Brown, the nation's commerce secretary and friend of the president.

We wondered about our leaders, public and corporate. We were reminded some corporate barons still harbor deeply racist tendencies.

We talked on TV, in newspapers and on the street about antipathy for our president. We watched as

he videotaped testimony about a scandal that may be nothing more than a scandal.

We raised eyebrows as one of his top advisers, who fell from grace after tabloid revelations that he had a yearlong affair with a \$200-an-hour hooker, quit, got a book contract — and was rehabilitated in time for the New York Christmas-party circuit.

Many of us didn't really understand the new law that dismantled the 6-decade-old welfare system that has long guaranteed a federal safety net to needy people. We knew it was a big change, but few of us knew just how. We debated in our minds and on our TVs: Are we being kind enough to the less fortunate among us — or too soft on them?

We endured the election campaign, then kept the status quo, re-electing Clinton in a landslide and keeping a Republican Congress. We sent Bob Dole — and, figuratively, the World War II generation — home for retirement.

We zoomed past experiences like signs on a tedious interstate highway. Did they make an impact?

Will we remember these names in a year? Dick Morris. Jonathan Schmitz and Scott Amedure. Susan McDougal. Jeremy Boorda. Richard Jewell. Do we remember them now, so soon after their 15 minutes passed?

And, finally, what do Americans really want, besides a rather odd-looking toy named Elmo?

Perhaps Mike Franklin, a Massachusetts cab driver, got it right on New Year's Day 1996 in downtown Boston: "To be free and be happy, that's what it's all about, isn't it?"

But to be truly free and happy, Americans have questions that must be answered — and probably won't be for a long while.

Has our landscape become unmanageable? Are we safe within our borders? Who will protect us from errant air bags, from E. coli-tainted burgers, from hantavirus, from Ebola, from AIDS, from ourselves?

We look at Americans in Bosnia. Are we the world's police officers?

We look at Americans at home. Are we still the grand experiment in democracy our Constitution's framers believed? Or do our base instincts — our television talk-show ids — get the better of us too often?

We look at ourselves — incessantly inward — and often find few answers.

A year can't define us, of course. We define it. Its triumphs and failures, its hopes and doubts, are our own.

And if it lacks definition, themes, character — well, it is, really, little more than a mirror.

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ICPD lauded

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Justin B. Hampton, 26, Coralville was charged with assault causing injury, disorderly conduct and public intoxication in the 100 block of Iowa Avenue Dec. 18 at 6:34 p.m.
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Dobyns, Martinek named to Johnson County Board of Health

Kristin Bauer
The Daily Iowan

With two open positions on the Johnson County Board of Health, the Johnson County Board of Supervisors unanimously voted Thursday morning to appoint applicants Dr. Richard Dobyns and attorney Jim Martinek to the board.

Board member Bob Crane, creat-

ing the first open position, announced earlier he would not reapply for his position. Johnson County Board of Health member Cam Cambell withdrew his application for another term on the health board, creating the second open position. Cambell's term expires Dec. 31.

The board said Cambell will be greatly missed by Johnson County,

but wished him well.

"Cam said that he was not interested in reapplying after mediator Peter Pashler spoke last night," board member Sally Stutsman said. "He felt that it was no longer necessary for him to be on the board."

The Board of Health hired mediator Peter Pashler to help develop a plan for the board after complaints about director Graham Dameron

and his staff led to a pre-termination evaluation and dismissal notice.

The board initially voted Dameron out of the office on Oct. 16 with a 3-2 vote.

Board members Sharry Lanhart, Lorraine Stamus and Bob Crane voted for his termination and Cambell and Anita Sehr voting against it.

Dameron had no comment on how he thought the new members of the board would fit into the mediation process.

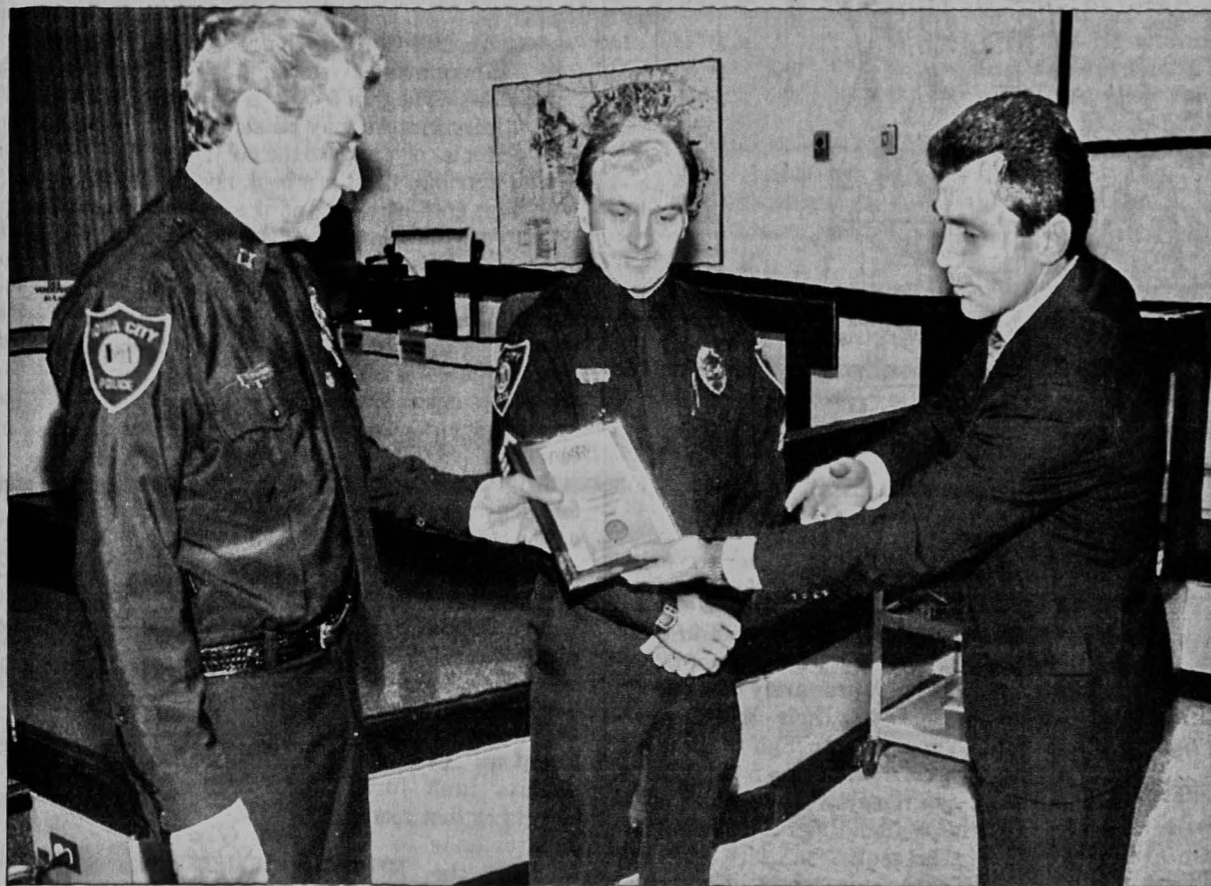
Still serving as the director of the health board, Dameron will remain on staff until the board has set governance guidelines as a procedure of the board resolution proposed by Pashler. Dameron's evaluation will be concluded once these guidelines

are passed.

Stutsman said Cambell was a great asset to the health board.

Board of Supervisors Chairperson Don Sehr said he feels bad for all of the criticism Cambell received.

"I think that Cam and other members of the board took a lot of point criticism," Sehr said. "I just took it's toll on him, on all of them."



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan

Douglas Woolf, director of public affairs for AAA in Iowa, presents a Community Traffic Safety Program award to Iowa City Police Department Capt. Patrick

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ty. He said crossing guards, safe driving and speeding regulations all played a role in preventing pedestrian deaths.

Douglas Woolf, director of public affairs for AAA in Iowa, said the ICPD received the plaque because the visibility of law enforcement in the community reminds pedestrians and drivers to be safe.

Forty-one other cities in Iowa

also received the AAA Community Traffic Safety Award, which has been in effect since the program began in 1939.

Woolf said there has been a decline overall in pedestrian fatalities in the nation.

Although pedestrian safety is an everyday effort, Harney said the ICPD's work to combat drunken driving is related to the decline in pedestrian fatalities.

NewsBriefs

Search continues for man who allegedly tried to abduct girl

An unidentified man in a pickup truck allegedly attempted to abduct a 12-year-old girl on her way home from school Wednesday afternoon.

The man was driving a small blue pickup truck and claimed to be a friend of the girl's father, who he said requested he give her a ride home. The girl refused and continued walking home, while the truck drove off.

The man was described as a white male, in his 40s, with short, straight brown hair. The incident occurred at 3:40 p.m. near the corner of Friendship Street and Third Avenue.

Sgt. Jim Steffen said the Iowa City Police Department is investigating the report and requests that anyone with information on the attempted abduction inform them immediately. He said the investigators only have a "sketchy description" of the man and don't have the license plate of the truck.

ICPD Lt. Matt Johnson said extra officers have been put on patrol in the area the incident occurred and are searching for vehicles that match the description of the pickup truck.

"We are working on the basis of information we have," Johnson said. "We are putting more officers in the area where children are traversing."

Although there are similar cir-

cumstances that occur every school year, Johnson said it is very rare for a stranger to actually approach a student.

Debra Wretman, principal of South East Junior High School, 2501 Bradford Drive, said the school will confirm the information released by the ICPD before alerting teachers, students and parents about the incident.

— Jennifer Cassell

luck," Krei said. "I discovered the suspects from information that we had."

Krei said the crime was apparently drug-related, although investigations continue.

First-degree robbery and aiding and abetting a first-degree robbery are Class B felonies and are punishable by up to 25 years in prison.

— Mike Waller

Police arrest Monticello man charged with aiding, abetting robbery

Iowa City police have arrested one man and issued a warrant for another following an armed robbery at an Iowa City residence late Sunday night.

Corbin A. Bergman, a 19-year-old man from Monticello, Iowa, was charged with aiding and abetting a robbery. Bergman allegedly led Shannon L. Carter, 26, and another unidentified man to the residence at 2917 Radcliffe Ave.

Carter and the third man allegedly demanded drugs before leaving with an undisclosed amount of cash. A warrant has been issued for Carter, charging him with first-degree robbery.

Detective Brian Krei of the Iowa City Police Department said although the suspects were unknown to the residents, Bergman and Carter were found by following up information from the scene.

"I hate to say it, but it was

Gov. Branstad's anti-crime plan calls for 'chemical castration' for child molesters

DES MOINES — Iowa judges should have the authority to order hormone treatments to control the sex drive of child molesters, Gov. Terry Branstad said Thursday as he announced his anti-crime plan for the 1997 Legislature.

Branstad called for enactment of a law similar to the California "chemical castration" statute, which requires use of the hormone treatments for repeat child molesters.

The California law, the first of its kind in the nation, takes effect Jan. 1. The state plans to use Depo-Provera, a women's birth-control drug that in men lowers testosterone levels. Judges can order weekly injections of the drug for first-time offenders before their parole. The drug will be mandatory before parole for repeat offenders.

— Associated Press

LEGAL MATTERS

POLICE

Justin B. Hampton, 26, Coralville, was charged with assault causing injury, disorderly conduct and public intoxication in the 100 block of Iowa Avenue on Dec. 18 at 6:34 p.m.

Compiled by Jennifer Cassell

COURTS

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OWI — Tiffany L. Steiners, Cedar Rapids, preliminary hearing set for Jan. 2 at 2 p.m.

Second-degree theft — Benjamin M.

McCauley, Oxford, Iowa, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 30 at 2 p.m.

Tampering with records — Benjamin M. McCauley, Oxford, Iowa, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 30 at 2 p.m.

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Aiding and abetting — Corbin A. Bergman, Monticello, Iowa, preliminary hearing set for Dec. 30 at 2 p.m.

Absence from custody — Vernon M. Frederick, 1131 Third Ave., preliminary hearing set for Dec. 30 at 2 p.m.

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CALENDAR


SATURDAY'S EVENT

Iowa City Public Library will offer basic World Wide World instruction in Meeting Room C of the library, 123 S. Linn St., at 9 a.m.

SUNDAY'S EVENT

Trinity Episcopal Church will present a Christmas festival of lessons and carols at the church, 320 E. College St., at 3:30 p.m.

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Viewpoints

Graduating into the unknown

Tonight I will make the official transition from graduate student to graduated student. My parents and friends will sit in a row at Hancher Auditorium as I walk across the stage in a velvet-striped black robe (which will hopefully be ironed by then) and a square cap with a tassel hanging off of one end. Some administrator will call my name, announce the degree I have earned and watch as my major adviser anoints me with a bright blue cloth, or "hood," designating me as one of the proud, the few, the elite, the unemployed, the exhausted, the finally finished, the Doctor of Philosophy.

It's great to be done: no more meetings with committee members, no more revisions of chapters, no more discussion sections to teach, no more papers to grade or to get graded on, no more worries about the prospect of being the perpetual all-but-dissertation student and no more endless horizon of work stretching out before me, vast and unyielding as the state of Iowa.

The only moment one can say one's work is truly finished is when the final deposit of the dissertation has been received and accepted by the graduate college. This final process, in which the graduate examiner/exterminator checks one's thesis for margin alignment and pagination, can often be more grueling than actually writing original scholarly ideas. Puzzling through chapter revisions is much easier than getting the page numbers in the table of contents to line up right, at least for me. Thus, the most important person in an ABD's (All But Dissertator's) life is not the thesis adviser, but graduate examiner Caren Cox. And Cox has not called me back since I deposited my tome, so, I hope I can safely assume my 231 acid-free, 25 percent rag content bond pages are acceptable. So I am DONE, finally, completely, utterly. And it feels good.

On the other hand, terminating my stint as a graduate student also involves loss. I can no longer spend a whole day reading Foucault and call it work. I will not be able to spend hours discussing my ideas with professors who can advise and encourage me. And I will not be able to pay student rates for tickets to plays, concerts or museums.

So, tonight I don the robe and look impressive. My loved ones laud my achievement. I feel important. Scholarly, even. But what happens when the last name is called, the last soon-to-be ex-student crosses the stage and the last degree granted? What happens next? Who am I then?

Transitions like this one are hard, even as they are exciting and long-anticipated, particularly in a culture that assesses our identity more by what we do than by who we are. So I fall into the abyss of a person with no mission, no job, no identity. There is no job awaiting me in the New Year, no benefits, sick leave or insurance policy. There is only a free fall until the next occupation-associated identity appears like a rope before me and I grab hold.

I want some time to think, to recuperate, to revel in the accomplishments of the doctorate before worrying about interviewing, research, tenure and new vast and relentless hoops through which a professor must jump.

But eschewing the hoops means embracing uncertainty. Uncertainty, while exciting, is also stressful. I know the uncertainty won't last very long, and soon, I'll have a job and a direction (at least, this is what I tell myself). But for now, I embrace the void, the space of not knowing what is next.

When I am finished walking across the stage at Hancher, and all my friends hug me and my mother takes a bunch of photos, I will be transformed. The ritual will be over and my transition begins. Change always involves loss, even when the changes (like changing from graduate student to doctor) are good ones.

Today I say goodbye to my life as a graduate student at the University of Iowa. It was hard, it was annoying, it was fascinating, it was trying, it was good. As I jump off the cliff of university student into the void of whatever is next, I remember this part of my life fondly. Even as I am scared of the new changes, I am excited.

All of us graduates are jumping off the edge of what we have known tonight into new lives and adventures. We must be brave. We must anticipate the best. For if we take this next step with utter confidence and abandon, surely we will fly.

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Quotable

"A lot of (Texas Tech fans) couldn't have gone to Hawaii. It's pretty hard to get a pickup truck over there from Lubbock."

Iowa football coach **Hayden Fry**, on the number of Texas Tech fans that will travel to watch the Red Raiders in the Alamo Bowl, as compared to the Aloha Bowl



Culture critics? Huh, huh.

"Beavis and Butt-Head Do America" comes out today, and the sad truths of the nation will be brought to theaters. The reasons the show is so successful lie in its ties to reality.

There really are people out there who live the lifestyle and think the thoughts of the two morons. Every town has a "Todd" that drops out of high school, drives a raggedy, sopped-up car and does nothing with his or her life. While many shows aim to inspire, "Beavis and Butt-Head" is left to the dirty task of exploring the lower forms of human lifestyle.

Although many of the episodes are not very realistic, their premise is entirely true. Each installment has a different theme that portrays an actual idiot stereotype in which Beavis and Butt-Head do their best to epitomize. For instance, the two buddies crave attention and friendship from people they look up to and will do just about anything to get it — including getting thrown in Todd's trunk while he goes off roading. Also, the two constantly want sex, but have no clue about how to get it. They subscribe to the

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method of the Spanish Fly rather than more traditional ways.

Throughout the show, the characters do some incredibly stupid things. However, these acts are ones that most everyone would want to do, but inhibitions, brains and the threat of deportation stops them.

Who wouldn't want to cruise around town in a steamroller and take out some bushes then plow through school when class is in session? Many people would like to hop in a giant tire and roll down a huge hill. The thought of injury and yacking on ourselves helps us not to.

However, this does not deter our infamous duo.

One thing that is never seen and rarely mentioned are the parents of this couple. Somehow, the parents are never home and the repercus-

sions of Beavis and Butt-Head's adventures are never logged. In the real world, there are plenty of parents who truly are rarely home and do not care what their children get into. It seems as though there is a high correlation between this situation and the activities of their offspring, which Beavis and Butt-Head represent.

The surprising aspect of a show that hinges on the exploits of Do-Nothing is that intelligent insights abound. Their comments on videos are often right on the money and the simplistic perspective they bring to every situation sheds light on overlooked normality's of life. In this respect, the show is meant for an intellectual audience who needs a different spin on life.

So when people say Beavis and Butt-Head assist in the degradation of society, it is not true at all. They merely take what is already out in the world and bring it to the forefront instead of letting it sit in the back of the classroom like the characters.

Craig Stevens is an editorial writer and a UI senior.

'Tis a Nobel prize, sometimes

Nobel Prizes are awarded this week in Sweden, and the Ig Nobel Prizes were awarded at Harvard University's Sanders Theater a few weeks ago. While we celebrate the Nobel winners, let us remember the Ig Nobels as a warning.

For chemistry, the Nobel Prize was awarded to Robert F. Curl Jr. and Richard E. Smalley of Rice University and Sir Harold W. Kroto of the University of Sussex, for their discovery of buckminsterfullerenes, also called buckyballs.

Buckyballs are balls of carbon that have the same geometrical shapes as a soccer ball. Although this may seem like an esoteric discovery, buckyballs and tubes with the same structure may be used to make new materials that are thousands of times stronger than steel.

If your car were made of this, it would be thousands of times lighter, and get really good gas mileage or run a long time on a battery.

The Ig Nobel for chemistry was awarded to George Goble of Purdue University, for using liquid oxygen and charcoal to light a barbecue in three seconds. His home page is at ghg.ecn.purdue.edu.

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ty and Douglas D. Osheroff of Stanford University for their discovery of and work with superfluid helium-3. When helium is cooled, it obeys the laws of quantum mechanics. The molecules stop behaving randomly and flow.

The Ig Nobel for physics went to Robert Matthews of Aston University, who published a paper in the *European Journal of Physics* that proved once and for all that toast does fall buttered-side down.

For medicine, the Nobel Prize was awarded to Peter C. Doherty of the University of Tennessee and Rolf M. Zinkernagel of the University of Zurich for their discovery of the Major Histocompatibility Complex (MHC) on cells, which is how your immune-system cells recognize one of your cells so they won't kill it. This is important in the future treatment of multiple sclerosis and rheumatoid arthritis and as scientists make new vaccines.

The Ig Nobel Prize for public health was awarded to Harald Moi of Oslo for his paper in the

respectable journal *Genitourinary Medicine* in 1993. Moi discovered the first known case of gonorrhea infection transmitted via an inflatable doll. Moi noted during his acceptance speech that "The biggest problem in this case was how to perform the mandatory partner notification and treatment."

The Nobel Prize for peace will be awarded in Norway to Carlos Filipe Ximenes Belo and José Ramos Horta who are working toward a just and peaceful solution in East Timor, a small country Indonesia invaded and oppressed.

The Ig Nobel Peace Prize went to Jacques Chirac, the president of France, who celebrated the 50th anniversary of Hiroshima by detonating nuclear bombs in the Pacific.

If there is a theme to this editorial, it is that the scope of science is diverse and, while there is wonderful, important research conducted, there is also silly science and pseudo-science out there. Be aware of these when you read about the latest statistic or scientific study. The fact you read might be more suited for an Ig Nobel than a Nobel Prize.

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

Best gift since the Jimmy Carter nutcracker

Poor Bill Clinton. His recent book, "Between Hokus and Hysteria," has failed to become a best seller. In fact, it is selling so poorly that distributors may be sending up to 350,000 copies of it back to the publisher.

How terrible. Clinton's book should sell because, well, he is entitled to it! And the proceeds go to charity! Can anything be done? Is there a way to remedy this national tragedy? Indeed, there is.

For those of you who are desperately doing last minute Christmas shopping, "Between Hokus and Hysteria" makes the perfect gift. First of all, it is inexpensive. Since it is not selling well, many bookstores are offering it for 25 percent off.

Second, it is a great gift for many people who are on your Christmas list.

Mom: Mom could always use a new table leveler or doorknob. The thin size of the book makes it ideal.

Dad: Dads usually get all sorts of useless junk for Christmas that sooner or later ends up in the garbage can. Thus, Clinton's book is the perfect gift for them.

The Sibling You Want to Get Even With: Did your brother or sister have a good laugh at your expense by getting you a Chia-Pet last Christmas? Now you can get even by giving them an even worse gift, "Between Hokus and Hysteria." They will have a difficult time ever topping that.

Gardener: This is the ideal gift for the gardener on your Christmas list. Having Clinton's book is as good as having a year's supply of fertilizer.

Insomniac: The perfect cure for insomnia. No explanation necessary.

Hobbyist: The hobbyist on your list will enjoy using the pages in this book for paper maché. He might even be able to use it to finish building that paper village.

Pet Enthusiast: The pet enthusiast can line the bottom of his or her hamster's cage with the pages from the book. Of course, this can also be done with newspaper and is considerably cheaper. But this is in keeping with liberal tradition of throwing lots of money at an ineffective program when there is a much cheaper and more sensible solution.

Students: Students can use Clinton's book as a style manual for their term papers. This is particularly useful for the student who is annoyed at his left-wing rhetoric teacher. You parents out there should consider your unfortunate son or daughter who has had to sit through long hours of socialist indoctrination disguised as an introductory English course. By using Clinton's book as a style manual, he or she can get even by writing excruciatingly dull term papers for their teacher. The teacher will have to spend many hours trudging through long and dense sentences based on Clinton's prose style. Here's a few examples:

1. "In this era of old and new problems, old and new threats, old and new alignment among and within nations, our goal is constant: to make sure the United States remains the greatest force for peace and prosperity on Earth."

2. "Through our patient diplomacy, our willingness to underwrite reasonable risk-taking, and the courage — despite assassin bullets and terrorist bombs — of Israeli, Palestinian and Arab leaders, we are closer today to peace in the Mideast than ever before."

3. "If we continue to follow the opportunity-responsibility-community strategy which has brought us so far, we will build an America that is leading the world to greater peace and freedom and prosperity, an America coming together on the strength of our marvelous diversity, an America where all our children, wherever they start in life, will have the chance live their dreams."

The grinding sound you hear is that of left-wing academics gnashing their teeth.

Yes, by buying Clinton's book for that someone special you can give a great gift, contribute to charity and help the president avoid a national calamity all at the same time! On the other hand, the proceeds will probably not go to charity, but will be funneled to Clinton's legal defense fund.

Oh well. Merry Clinton and a Happy New Year!

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To the DI staff: Two thoughts for the DI staff: I remember working at The Daily Iowan, above all, should be fun. You will be completely stressed out by your classes, but eventually you'll survive. Look back fondly upon the times you seemed to live at the newspaper.

If you're not having fun, then you're learning something else at the DI.

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What was your favorite story during the fall semester of 1996?



"We did a story on Monroe King I thought was good because it was a touching feature on a really cool icon of Iowa City."
Matt Snyder
DI Metro Editor



"The one about UISG cracking down on underage drinking. Like I've never seen one of them piss drunk."
David Schwartz
DI Editor



"I like the story about entertainment on the Internet in EightyHours. I wasn't aware that there were that many options available."
Nathan Groepper
DI Assistant Arts Editor



"The Macarena story, because I got to be the model for the graphic, but I will never do the dance again."
Sarah Lueck
DI Assistant Metro Editor



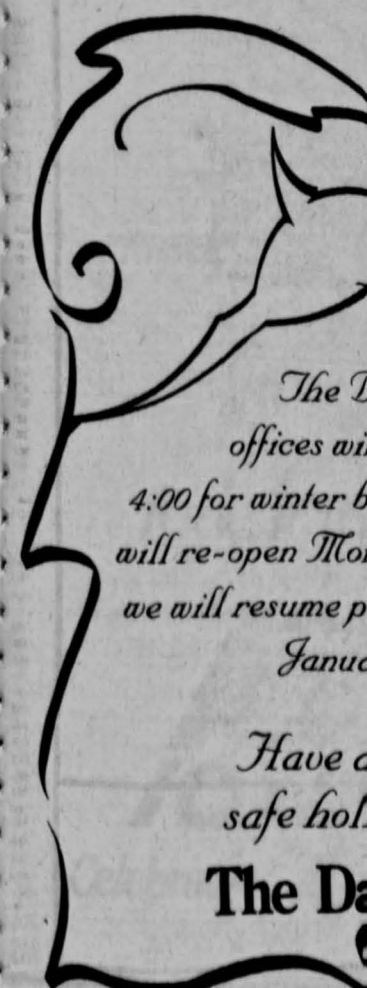
"The AP story about the old lady who got four months in prison for feeding someone else's expired parking meter. They need to keep people like that off the streets."
Stacey Harrison
DI Assistant Copy Chief



"The library masturbator story, and I am happy to say they never did catch Dave Schwartz."
Stephanie Wilbur
DI Viewpoints Editor



"The entire coverage of election '96. MADHOUSE!"
Evelyn Lauer
DI Managing Editor



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Have a safe holiday.

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Viewpoints

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it be reporting, copy editing, photography, layout or graphics.

Second, remember the DI is Iowa City's Morning Newspaper, not just the newspaper for UI students. Believe it or not, the UI faculty and staff and Iowa City residents read the DI, too. Even if a story doesn't apply directly to the student population, there's a few thousand people out there who may be interested in it.

To journalism majors (and pretty much all students, for that matter): While having a good GPA and a college degree are nice, experience is what is going to get you hired. Apply for internships. Send out mass-mailings of your résumé, cover letter and samples of your work. Working at the DI and at two internships not only taught me far more than the journalism school, but helped immensely in finding a job.

To the large number of students on campus who think the DI's Viewpoints Pages are either 1.) too liberal or 2.) too conservative: You'd be amazed how hard our Viewpoints Editors work to

get an equal balance on the Viewpoints Pages. They really don't come into work thinking, "I'm going to run all liberal columnists today just to piss off the Republicans on Campus."

To Bill Decker, director of Information Technology Services: It's amazing that a year or two after the onset of the Web revolution, there are still buildings on the UI campus where the only connection to the Internet is a 14.4 modem and a text-based Web browser.

To the UI administration and parking department: Why isn't there any affordable place for students to park on campus? Thousands of dollars were spent on moving around parking spaces next to the Main Library, with the net result being about the same number of spots. I say forget the idea of having a nice-looking campus and stick a huge (and I mean really huge) parking ramp out in front of the library.

To the people at Joe's Place: You could further enhance your standing as the best bar in town and "Official DI

Hangout" if you would put Pete's Wicked Ale on tap. And while we're at it, the batting cage and sports-bar-esque TVs just don't work.

Things I'll miss about Iowa City: Chili cheese dogs at Windy City Dogs. Wings at the Vine. A Surf and Turf Salad (minus the Surf) from Micky's. Looking around the newsroom and realizing at least four DI staffers are skipping the same journalism class. Having a schedule with no classes before 11:30 a.m. and none on Friday. Harassing Metro Editors about Latin dancing. Harassing Sports Editors. Pretending to be the DI staff meteorologist.

Schwartz harassing me every night for not getting the weather graphic done sooner. The Copy Desk Editor telling me I can't abbreviate words in graphics. Network Marathon (An inside joke. I apologize to those of you who don't understand).

To Julie Bill, Bill Casey, Bob Foley, Iris Frost, Brad Hahn, Joanne Higgins, Prasanti Kantamneni, Loren Keller, T. Scott Krenz, Chris James, Heidi Jess, Evelyn Lauer, Megan McCabe, Roxanna Pellin, Holly Reinhardt, Kim Rose, David Schwartz, Chris Snider, Matt Snyder, Mike Triplett, Tom Wanat, Mike Waller, Stephanie Wilbur and everybody else I've forgotten to include: You've been a great group of people to work with and I've learned a lot from all of you.



GUEST OPINION
Matthew Ericson

Matthew Ericson is the DI Graphics Editor and will move on to bigger and better journalism things in January.

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would you do if it were your child? How would you "move on"? How "comfortable" would you feel, knowing that same officer is still a "man with a gun over there"?

Why are the many privately outraged voices in this community so hesitant to speak out for and reach out to the Shaws? Is the ultimate nightmare of severing the flesh from the shoulder of a child we were powerless to protect so unthinkable we don't want it aired in public, lest its fallout blows away?

In this season where rituals of torchlight and luminaries light paths to believers, and the blinding illumination of Eric's still-lit studio, like an eternal flame of truth, lends brilliance to winter's darkness, let us all "light one candle" — in our windows, in our hearts — to show the Shaws we care and to answer for ourselves "Where have all the flowers gone?"

Richard Wright
Iowa City resident

Meisner knows nothing about gangs

To the Editor:
In his Dec. 10 column ("Solution to gang problems lies with parents"), Jim Meisner argues that yes, we've got trouble right here in Iowa City, yet presents not one scintilla of evidence to support his contention that our bucolic little town is being overrun by gangs. Instead, he dumps a load of irrelevant statistics, non sequiturs and specious claims all wobbling toward the conclusion that parents should pay more attention to their kids.

Meisner, like most people in this town convinced of gang activity, knows nothing about gangs. That teenagers like to hang out in groups in public places wasting time no more indicates gang activity than does the fact that old people like to hang out in groups in public places wasting time. In fact, hanging out in groups in public places seems to me to be a universally normal human activity.

Perhaps the issue here is not gangs so much as it is a matter of certain people maintaining control over the behavior of everybody else. Because it is not so much gangs that is at issue as it is minor vices and unsupervised activities. Thus, we must have police, school and government officials — and newspaper pundit wannabes — setting parents and children to keeping each other out of trouble. It's quite simple. If everyone is babysitting everyone else then no one will have the time, energy or opportunity to do anything naughty.

Others have suggested the local panic over gangs is generalized phobic

reaction to young people. I would argue that it is more likely a generalized fear of losing control. Iowa City likes to present itself as diverse and sophisticated. It is nothing of the sort. It's provincial, inbred and obsessed with its own respectability. How else can you explain the flap over something as inconsequential as the unsanctioned version of the "Hey" song?

Hence the fear of gangs. Respectable Iowa Citizens, priding themselves on their progressive image, cannot admit their dislike and fear of those who are not precisely themselves. So they engage in substitution. It's not unions, immigrants, black people, brown people, city people, working people, poor people that they fear. It's gangs. From Chicago, no less. Why not St. Louis? Minneapolis? Omaha? The Quad Cities? All these places that have a history of gangs. Why specifically Chicago? Is it because Chicago is code for all kinds of other things? Is it because raising the alarm about gangs swooping in from, say, Fargo, N.D., would be too silly for words?

I think Meisner has made it fairly obvious that the hysteria over gangs is better understood as an allegory than as a fact. In his case, it's not the repressed id, barbarian hordes, unwashed masses or a bald-faced attempt to increase the budget of the police department. It's the radical right destroying the sea-wall of government standing between us and the flood-tide of "swell"-saying, pool-playing, cigarette-smoking children.

Jacqueline Smetak
Iowa City resident

Discussion of gangs should not include racism

To the Editor:
On Dec. 10, I was shocked to find an article by Jim Meisner that I actually agreed with ("Solution to gang problems lies with parents"). However, in reading the article, I feel it's necessary to add several comments that would better serve in helping to stem the growth of gang activity in the Iowa City area.

I wholeheartedly agree with Meisner that parents do need to step up and take more responsibility for the raising of their children. That should be and always will be job No. 1. If a parent loses control of a child, then we as a society will ultimately feel the consequences of that.

However, when we are talking about gangs in our community, a disturbing trend I see is that when people in Iowa City start talking about youth and gangs, ugly accusations of racism come creeping into the picture. The

public needs to realize that race does not matter to those who are in gangs. To those who are recruiting youth here in Iowa City to be a new "gangster" in town, the only thing that matters is finding someone they can influence into committing a crime of some nature.

Look around, people! See the increase in graffiti? Or in the number of petty crimes committed? Just look at areas of town where many people are and it's almost a virtual guarantee that you could see some gang graffiti, and you'll see exactly what authorities are meaning when they say that places where youth congregate such as the BASSment could be places for gang recruitment.

Iowa City shouldn't be a place for gangs to begin to come in and fester in our community. It's time for the public, the police and parents of kids to step forward and let our youth know that gangs are not the answer; education is. If we succeed, then not only will our future be a little brighter, so will Iowa City's as a whole.

Todd Versteegh
UI senior

Gang column makes no sense

To the Editor:
I'm writing because I found Jim Meisner's column ("Solution to gang problems lies with parents," DI, Dec. 10) incomprehensible. Complete gobbledegook, confusing the issue beyond recognition.

Two-thirds into his column, he finally gets to the part about solutions and writes this: "The federal government performs functions state governments can't perform. The state government provides governmental services the City of Iowa City is unable to provide. The city does what parents won't or can't do. And parents are doing increasingly less."

Could Meisner please elaborate: What functions is he talking about and what do they have to do with gangs? What services is he talking about and what do they have to do with gangs? What precisely is the city doing that parents can't do and why can't the parents do it and, finally, what can be done about it?

Oh yeah, and what does this have to do with gangs? Also, Meisner suggests, cryptically, the "radical right" is to blame for "its misguided efforts to dismantle government." What does this mean? What does it have to do with gangs?

Honestly, if you're going to write about solutions, you could be a tad more specific.

Brendan Wolfe
UI graduate student

If you're a consumer, be a smart one — think of the animals

To the Editor:
As the holidays approach, consumers are frantic to purchase just the right gift for their loved ones. One thing to consider when buying holiday gifts is the impact they may have on the environment, the animals and the other people.

Each year, for example, thousands of animals are subjected to terrible suffering in product testing. Mice, rats, guinea pigs, rabbits, dogs, cats, primates and many other species are force fed household products from toilet-bowl cleaners and laundry detergent to personal hygiene products such as shaving cream and deodorant. Some animals have these products spread on the skin or in their eyes, resulting in open wounds and blindness (the Draize tests), while others must endure convulsions and death after being force fed toxic chemicals (the Lethal Dose 50).

These tests are not only cruel, but highly ineffective in that they do nothing to protect consumers from the hazards of inducing these chemicals (common sense can do that).

Scientists have often pointed out differences between human and animal reactions to drugs, hence the unreliability of animal tests.

Contrary to popular belief, the Food and Drug Administration does not require animals be used to test new products. Consequently, hundreds of companies have opted to not test on animals after consumer boycotts forced them to re-evaluate the use of animals in their labs.

More viable, less costly and more humane methods of testing products have long begun to replace the barbaric and cruel animal tests in many labs. Human skin cultures, computers and in-vitro studies have proven animal tests are passe.

This holiday season, show true compassion by purchasing "cruelty-free" and environmentally safe products.

For a free list of these products, contact the UI Animal Coalition at 351-4804 or Citizens for Animal Rights and the Environment at 337-8403.

Grace Trifaro
Member of Citizen's for Animal Rights and the Environment

Bartlett's basketball column proves him and DI editorial staff insane

To the Editor:
Sure, I find something mildly irksome in every issue of *The Daily Iowan*. Poor syntax, the occasional meandering, inadequately constructed rant posing as an editorial: "The Fairgrounds." But I let these things slide because of all the positives: How could I face the day without my page two O.J. update? I'm only human.

I certainly don't want to imply that the entire editorial staff is without merit. I find quite a few of the authors can more than adequately prepare a reasonable argument. Nothing up to this point has ever been so offensive to me that I've been forced to write a response — but now I feel I have no other alternative.

Good people of the editorial staff, I am a patient, open-minded individual, willing to listen and think about a great many things. But I simply won't stand for the deranged scribbling of an obviously disturbed lunatic who can't appreciate the finest sport man has ever devised.

What level of dementia, what improper mixture of chemicals in the brain, what terrifying repressed memory could cause James A. Bartlett to express such an astonishingly abhorrent opinion in such a public forum? And what could coerce *The Daily Iowan* to print what no sane man could call other than "filth"? Blackmail perhaps? Kidnapping? Threats of violence? Did I miss the coded cries for assistance in that issue?

I suppose I can do no more than pity this Bartlett character. He's the one missing out. The rest of us know basketball is the best mixture of athleticism, power, agility, speed and stamina. The best athletes in the world play basketball; the rest just envy them.

Sometimes when I'm watching a game (and any game will do: pro, college, women's or men's... even a Clipper/Grizzlies match up), I start blissfully weeping. I pick up the phone and I randomly place a call to Canada. When someone answers, I say, "Hey, I just wanted to say thanks... for everything. I... I love this game."

And they know what I mean. A blessing upon Canadian soil for having given birth to Dr. Naismith, inventor of the most marvelous of athletic endeavors. And share upon anyone who would dare criticize it.

Matthew Simmons
UI senior

The Daily Iowan offices will close today at 4:00 for winter break. Our main office will re-open Monday, January 6th and we will resume publishing on Tuesday, January 21, 1997.

Have a happy and safe holiday season!

The Daily Iowan

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LAWYER

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political science from Parsons College in Fairfield, Iowa, and spent three years as a Latin teacher in order to earn money for school. She enrolled in the UI School of Law in the summer of 1933 as the only woman in a freshman class of 100. She spent several years teaching in the winter and attending classes during the summer before achieving her degree and joining the now defunct Des Moines firm Putnam, Putnam, Fillmore and Putnam.

It was there that she got her first taste of significant legal work.

"The put me to work immediately preparing cases for the Iowa state Supreme Court," she said. "I enjoyed that tremendously. I had never done anything like that before."

Eventually she was allowed to argue a case herself, although the opportunity arose by default.

"It happened when this case came up for oral argument, all the men were going to be elsewhere in the state," she said.

"(The elder Putnam) said to his son, 'You hired this woman, she's been preparing the cases, let her argue it.'"

Schwilck said she endured one memorable instance of gender bias while working on that case.

She said the phone in her office rang, but when she answered there was silence. This was repeated sev-

eral times before the caller finally spoke.

"Again I said, 'hello,' and he said, 'I don't want to talk to no fool woman. I want to talk to the lawyer arguing this case in the Supreme Court,'" she said.

"I told him that I was the lawyer and he fell all over himself. He didn't even know to apologize he was so flustered."

Schwilck worked for a number of law firms in Des Moines before accepting a position as an attorney for the U.S. Department of the Interior in 1943.

She said she began litigating cases immediately upon her arrival.

She also held an important position in settling land disputes between the government and railroad companies stemming from the Transportation Act of 1940. Schwilck wrote the decisions in the land cases and then passed them on to be signed by the Secretary of the Interior.

She said she was awarded a great personal victory when one of her decisions was upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court.

"I told my supervisor, 'I'll never be any more right than I am right now when the Supreme Court lays out my decision,'" she said.

Schwilck left the Department of the Interior in 1964 to embark on what turned out to be 12 years of traveling around the

globe. She spent time living in Seattle, New Orleans, Moscow and London, among other locations.

"I would just choose where I wanted to go and I kept that up for 12 years," she said.

She said it was in Harrisburg, Pa., a town she did not like, that she was inspired by a conversation with an acquaintance to move to Baltimore, where she now lives. She used her experience teaching English in Chile to conduct similar lessons at the YWCA, and she later became involved in citizenship classes.

Schwilck said she is still active in volunteering in her community.

William Hines, dean of the UI School of Law, said he is glad the UI is offering Schwilck this opportunity to take part in the graduation.

"We're very pleased to be able to recognize one of our graduates who's been part of our community for so long," he said.

"She has been a loyal supporter and has contributed to the school in a number of ways."

Schwilck said she is looking forward to finally walking across the stage.

"I had always imagined walking across the stage with that robe on," she said.

HOSTAGE

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on their status were incomplete.

The rebels threatened to kill the hostages one by one Wednesday, issuing a statement demanding the release of comrades jailed in Peru. But on Thursday, the kidnappers were silent on their terms.

So was President Alberto Fujimori, who had not been seen in public since the Tuesday evening raid. Nor has any member of his government made an appearance to comment on the crisis.

Fujimori faced conflicting pressures from international leaders on ending the standoff. The United States advised against any concessions to terrorists, while Japan cautioned against any risky attempt to rescue the hostages — who include 17 Japanese diplomats and more than 40 Japanese businesspersons.

"We are thinking first and foremost of the hostages' safety," Foreign Minister Yukihiko Ikeda said before leaving Tokyo for Lima.

The U.S. Embassy said four of the remaining American captives worked for the U.S. Agency for International Development.

The wife of hostage Javier Diez Canseco, a Peruvian congressman, said her husband had called her three times.

"Calls are being permitted, but very short ones," Liliana Panizo said. "The treatment, under the circumstances, is neither aggressive nor violent."

The only officials meeting with

the rebels Thursday were four diplomats freed the day before.

"We're sort of like hostages on parole," said Ambassador Anthony Vincent of Canada, who returned to the embassy residence Thursday to talk with rebel leader Emilio Huertas.

Vincent refused to discuss details of the diplomats' mediation at a news conference, saying only that they were working for the "well-being and safety of the hostages."

A Swiss Red Cross official, Michel Minig, has been designated as a mediator, Vincent said.

Asked if he thought the standoff could be resolved peacefully, Vincent said: "I'm sorry. I can't get into that."

Among local politicians, both

opponents and supporters of Fujimori cautioned against concessions to the rebels. "I don't believe the government should give in to terrorist blackmail," opposition congressman Fernando Olivera said.

Peruvian television asked residents to fly the Peruvian flags at their homes to show solidarity against the hostage-taking, and many complied.

Nearly all embassies affected by the drama had set up crisis centers by Thursday.

There was still confusion on how the rebels were able to so quickly enter the compound and round up the dignitaries, who had been celebrating Japanese Emperor Akihito's birthday under a tent on the lawn.

Boeing plans to increase plane production

Associated Press

SEATTLE — The Boeing Co. plans to nearly double the number of planes rolling off its assembly lines next year to a record 40 aircraft per month, the company said Thursday.

Boeing now produces 22.5 aircraft a month, six more than a year

ago. At its peak in 1992, it produced 39.5 planes a month.

The airline industry's economic recovery has resulted in a strong demand for new planes, though at a more modest pace than in past upward cycles, said Richard Albrecht, an executive vice president at Boeing.

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Jeannine Aversa
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Early next year, most TV from "The Mighty Morp Rangers" to "Oprah" — on-screen tags alerting sexual and violent content.

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And already, the aged ratings approach is under fire from critics who want more information about the type and type of violence in a given show.

President Clinton applauded the rating meeting with industry but stopped short of an endorsement. He said he deserves a chance to test industry officials what this is a huge step over what we have now nothing," Clinton said.

"I'd like to be able to make it better," Clinton said. "I'd like to see the TV industry groups, the advocates deserve to be heard and heard. But we are now do think ought to be done."

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CHRISTMAS

Stores in rush to sale season

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Looking for big bargains during the final weekend of the Christmas shopping season. Store marking down the way they year ago.

With sales apparent expectations so far, many nation's store owners are people will buy enthusiastically the last days before Christmas.

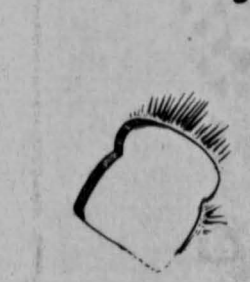
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Last year, sales were that stores slashed prices in the week before Christmas clear out their stock. The brighter this season the healthy economy, and many are waiting until after Christmas to hold big sales.

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Nation

TV to be given ratings system

Jeannine Aversa
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Beginning early next year, most TV shows — from "The Mighty Morphin Power Rangers" to "Oprah" — will carry on-screen tags alerting parents to sexual and violent content.

The result of years of federal government jawboning and veiled threats, the voluntary system looks much like the familiar ratings that have been used on movies for 28 years.

And already, the aged-based TV ratings approach is under fire from critics who want more specific information about the amount and type of sex, violence and language in a given show.

President Clinton Thursday applauded the rating plan after meeting with industry officials, but stopped short of an outright endorsement. He said parents deserve a chance to test it and tell industry officials what they think.

"This is a huge step forward over what we have now, which is nothing," Clinton said. "We might be able to make it better. The parents' groups, the advocacy groups deserve to be heard and considered. But we are now doing what I think ought to be done."

Entertainment shows aired on broadcast, cable and public TV could be rated as early as January or February, using a voluntary system the TV industry unveiled Thursday.

The six-tier, age-based system is similar to the one used for movies. It ranges from "TV-G," designating material suitable for all ages, to "TV-M," for mature audiences only. Children's shows will be labeled, using a "TV-Y" as suitable for all youngsters and "TV-Y-7" as appropriate for children 7 and older.

At the beginning of each show, an on-screen ratings symbol will appear in the upper left-hand corner of the TV screen for 15 seconds. For shows longer than one hour, the symbol will reappear.

The symbols also will appear on program promotions that are 30 seconds or longer in length, as well as in TV listings in newspapers and magazines.

Child advocacy groups and other critics complain the industry's approach is too vague and will be of little use to parents. They want specific warnings for violence, sex and language and the intensity of each in every show.

Clinton made TV ratings a centerpiece of his re-election campaign, citing his work on securing a ratings pledge from the TV industry in February as a major accomplishment in his first term.

Unlike movies, which are rated by an independent board including parents, TV shows will be rated by producers, broadcast networks, cable channels, syndicators and others that originate programs.

Under the TV industry's plan, the only shows that won't be rated

are news and sports. The industry said news-magazine programs that air in the evening would not be rated. Under that definition, programs like "60 Minutes" or "20/20" would be exempt.

In theory, programs such as "Hard Copy" and "Inside Edition," which in some markets air in the evenings, also could be exempt. But the TV industry executives say that's unlikely because TV stations and cable networks have the power to rate shows that come to them without a rating.

The industry's ratings system is subject to Federal Communications Commission approval. If the FCC finds it unsuitable, it can move to appoint an independent advisory board that would create a new ratings system. However, the government cannot require its use.

The TV industry is working to get guidelines printed in newspaper and magazine TV listings at least several times a week. The industry also will print and distribute several million ratings brochures.

The TV ratings could be appealed to a 19-member appeals board that would consist entirely of industry representatives.

Eventually, the ratings system will work with a V-chip to be installed in new TV sets in 1998. Using a remote-control device, people will be able to block individual shows or categories of shows based on their ratings.

Study: Teen drug use on the rise

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Illicit drug use by American teen-agers rose again in 1996, with marijuana use accounting for much of the overall increase, according to a survey of 50,000 students done for the federal government.

Attorney General Janet Reno said Thursday the findings point to the importance of developing education and prevention programs that fully inform youngsters of the dangers of marijuana.

The increase in the proportion of students saying they had used any illicit drug in the previous year continued a steady growth that began in the early 1990s.

Among eighth graders, the proportion using any illicit drug in the previous year has more than doubled since 1991 — from 11 percent to 24 percent. Among 10th graders, it has risen from 20 percent to 38 percent. And for 12 graders it has risen from 27 percent to 40 percent.

Marijuana use has moved up sharply. This year, 18 percent of eighth graders said they had used marijuana in the previous year, compared to just 6 percent in 1991. Thirty-four percent of 10th graders said they had used it in the previous year, compared to 15 percent in 1991.

And 36 percent of high-school seniors said they had used it in the previous year compared to 22 percent in 1992.

Daily marijuana use also is up: nearly 5 percent of high-school seniors surveyed said they used marijuana every day, compared to 2 percent in 1992.

Those levels of marijuana use are still below peaks reached in the late 1970s, the survey's researchers noted.

In 1978, 50 percent of high-school seniors said they had used marijuana in the previous year vs. Thursday's 36 percent.

However, marijuana use has moved up sharply since the early 1990s, the researchers noted.

A number of other drugs have also continued longer-term increases into 1996, the report found, although in general their increases have been much more gradual.

These include LSD, cocaine, tranquilizers and amphetamine stimulants.

While the prevalence rates for heroin remain quite low in 1996 compared to other drugs, they are nevertheless two to two and a half times higher than they were a few years ago.

The study found annual usage rates of heroin to be 1.6 percent of eighth graders, 1.2 percent of 10th graders and 1 percent of seniors.

The survey covered 50,000 students in 424 public and private secondary schools.

The Monitoring the Future Study is supported under a series of research grants from the National Institute on Drug Abuse and is carried out at the University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research.

CHRISTMAS

Stores in no rush to start sale season

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Don't bother looking for big bargains during the final weekend of the Christmas shopping season. Stores aren't marking down the way they did a year ago.

With sales apparently near expectations so far, many of the nation's store owners are optimistic people will buy enthusiastically in the last days before Christmas.

"Any sales events out there were planned ahead of time and aren't desperate markdowns," said Jeff Edelman, a retail analyst at Deutsche Morgan Grenfell.

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"We will do some markdowns, but not a lot," said Beverly Bulter, spokesperson for The Gap.

Many people still have plenty of shopping left to do.

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Nation

Gingrich accused of giving false information to investigators

Larry Margasak
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House Speaker Newt Gingrich gave false information to the House ethics committee, but it was due to an error by Gingrich's former attorney, a congressman said Thursday.

"There's no argument that Newt signed an erroneous statement," said Rep. John Linder, R-Ga., one of the speaker's confidants in the House. "The question the committee has to decide is: Did he willfully

mislead the committee?"

Linder, who said he spoke with Gingrich last weekend, commented in an interview a day after Gingrich's former attorney said he dropped the speaker as a client in the ethics case.

"We advised Mr. Gingrich on Saturday, Dec. 14 that we could no longer represent him before the ethics committee," attorney Jan Baran told the AP Wednesday.

Linder said Baran "provided documents to the committee that

Newt signed that conflict with statements Newt made to the committee earlier."

Without specifying what was misleading, he said Baran "is now saying Newt should have caught" the errors. "He's the attorney. Newt was paying him not to make errors."

Baran could not immediately be reached for comment on Linder's statement.

Congressional sources, speaking only on condition of anonymity,

said Gingrich has hired legal malpractice attorney Randy Evans of Atlanta to represent him. Evans is a longtime political supporter of Gingrich.

Baran ended his representation of Gingrich one day after the House ethics committee's investigative subcommittee ended an intensive week of closed-door meetings. The panel of two Republicans and two Democrats is investigating tax implications of a college course taught by Gingrich and the accuracy of the speaker's statements to investigators.

The committee expanded its investigation in September to include whether Gingrich submitted full and accurate information to the committee.

Baran told the AP any statements he submitted to the panel were approved in advance by the speaker.

"I wish to make clear that my firm did not submit any material information to the ethics committee without Mr. Gingrich's prior review and approval," Baran said in an interview. "I strongly believe that is the committee's view as well."

After representing Gingrich for two years in the case, Baran would only say of his longtime client: "I wish him well."

Gingrich spokesperson Tom Blankley declined to comment on the development. Evans, the attorney, did not return a telephone message left at his office.

FAA

ValuJet forced to cancel 17 flights

Chelsea Carter
Associated Press

ATLANTA — ValuJet scrambled to find seats on other airlines for 800 passengers left stranded Thursday because it sold them tickets on flights not yet approved by federal regulators.

The 800 passengers had been booked on 17 flights scheduled between Atlanta and three other cities: West Palm Beach and Fort Myers, Fla., and Dallas-Fort Worth.

ValuJet announced plans Nov. 25 to expand its service to those cities, though it did not have approval from the Federal Aviation Administration to add the five planes it would need to do so.

Once it became clear the FAA approval would not come in time, ValuJet sought to use charter aircraft for its ticket holders. But the FAA did not approve that plan in time either.

"This was a huge surprise and

AUTO SAFETY

Automakers push for new air bags

Catherine O'Brien
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The auto industry told lawmakers Thursday the government was moving too slowly in allowing them to put less forceful air bags in cars.

"We'd like (government officials) to move on an expedited, emergency basis to bring (less forceful) air bags into the marketplace quickly," Andrew Card, president of the American Automobile Manufacturers Association, told a House Appropriations subcommittee hearing.

Jim Hall, head of the National Transportation Safety Board, agreed government regulators should "work as expeditiously as possible to 'depower' air bags to reduce the risk they pose."

Air bags have saved more than 1,600 lives, according to government estimates.

But deploying air bags also have killed 32 children and infants and 20 adults — mostly smaller women — in low-speed accidents they otherwise would have survived.

Rep. Frank Wolf, R-Va., chairperson of the subcommittee that sets spending for the federal regulating agency, said it was important for the government and manufacturers to "come together quickly" on ways to prevent deaths.

He suggested the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) meet with automakers, air bag suppliers and others the first week of January.

"Every month there's a delay, there's another 1 million" vehicles on the road with air bags, Wolf said. About 56 million vehicles have at least one air bag, and the number of vehicles with air bags is growing rapidly.

The NHTSA's administrator, Dr. Ricardo Martinez, said agency officials "want to move clearly but not recklessly on that matter."

The agency has already signaled it will propose allowing automakers to install less forceful air bags soon. Card wants the agency to speed up the process by issuing an emergency ruling.

Card said the "drop-dead" date for automakers was mid-February. "Any later than that and you have to question the ability of the industry" to have less forceful air bags in the 1998 models, he said.

The debate has been over how to change government testing requirements to allow for less powerful bags and whether there is a tradeoff in saving adult lives.

Martinez told lawmakers less powerful air bags would mean "less benefit" for adults who do not wear their seat belts.

In many cases, he said, those adults were young teen-age drivers.

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night before, expecting to catch a flight to Dallas to pick up his children for a Christmas visit.

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Federal regulators said thousands of passengers could be stranded over the holidays because ValuJet has sold about 15,000 tickets for flights to the three cities through Jan. 6.

FAA spokesperson Eliot Brenner said his agency must determine that any charter arrangements meet safety standards. He would not predict how long approval might take.

ValuJet had served all three cities before it was grounded following the crash in the Everglades May 11 that killed all 110 people aboard.

shock to us. We submitted those plans 45 days ago, on Nov. 1," ValuJet spokesperson Marcia Scott said.

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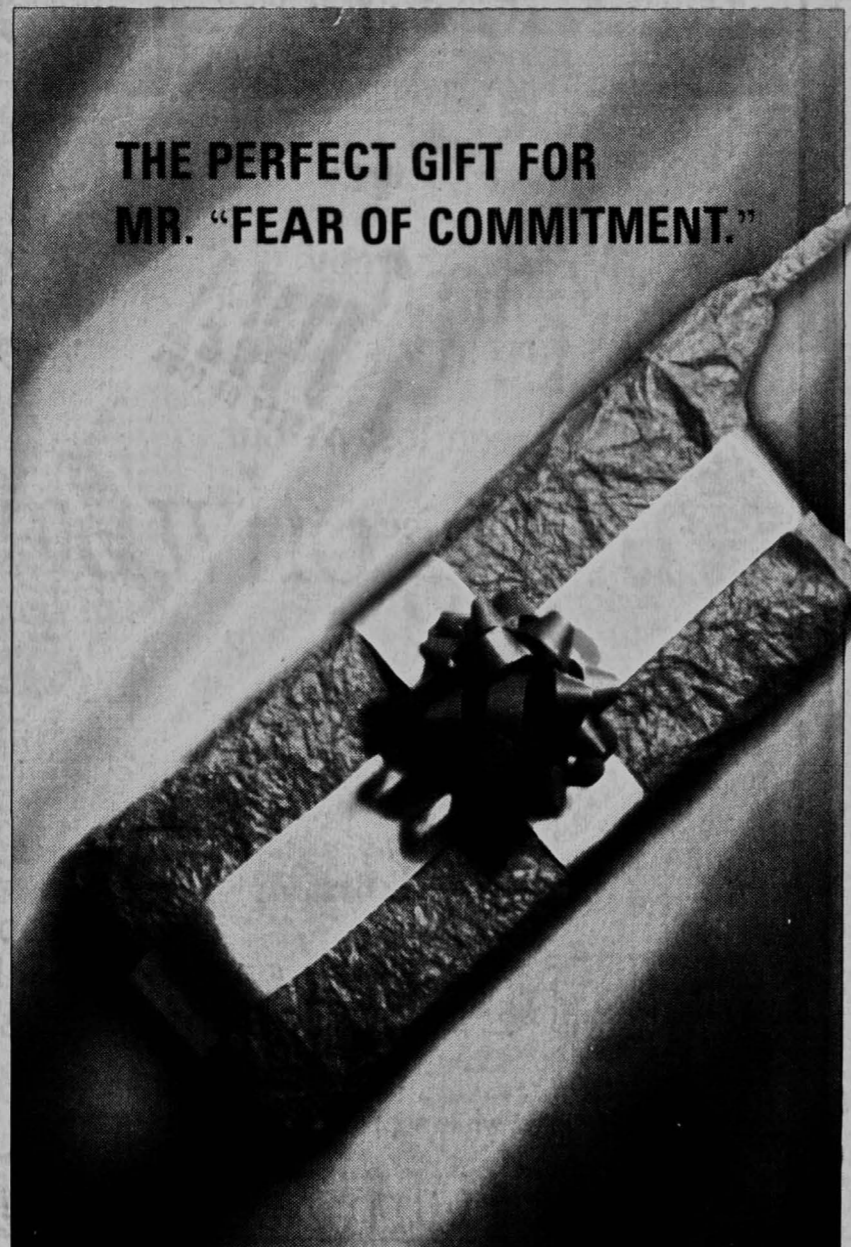


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Doug Mellgren
Associated Press

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The six coffins of the Red Cross workers massacred in the hospital of Novge Atagi, Chechnya, are shown in front of the plane MD 82 at their arrival at Geneva Airport, in Switzerland, early Thursday.

shots." Bredland said the massacre, at 4 a.m. Tuesday, only lasted two or three minutes. He and others believe they survived because their doors were locked and the killers picked easier prey.

"I woke up when someone rattled my door. I immediately thought we were being kidnapped, a risk I had been psychologically prepared for," Bredland said. Six Red Cross workers have been kidnapped in Chechnya this year.

Afterward, he and colleagues went from room to room, finding

five of their friends dead and the sixth dying. The motive and the identity of the killers remains unknown in these murders as well as in a separate slaying Thursday in Chechnya of six Russian civilians.

The head of the separatist republic and Russian President Boris Yeltsin lamented the incident, and suggested it was an effort to sabotage a peace agreement that has held since August, after almost two years of fighting.

The international Red Cross designated Friday a day of mourning

for the victims and planned a religious memorial at St. Pierre cathedral in Geneva.

The Red Cross has suspended operations in Chechnya and evacuated its staff. The United Nations also suspended refugee operations in Chechnya.

Bredland had no idea who was responsible for the killings.

"No one heard them talk. The whole thing happened in near silence," the doctor said.

He said the full impact of the tragedy hasn't really hit him yet, but it will.

Polish get to 'Sesame Street'

Andrzej Stylinski
Associated Press

WARSAW, Poland — Daddy, look what's on! It's Bert and Ernie — and Lech Walesa?

"Ulica Sezankowa," the Polish-language version of the U.S. educational program "Sesame Street," has made its debut on state television.

The Muppets remain the main attraction. But now they speak Polish, have Polish names and interact with actors playing Polish characters, including a grandfather whose bushy mustache makes him look a lot like Poland's anti-communist hero and former president, Lech Walesa.

Actor Andrzej Buszewicz was chosen for the role by children who were shown a group of photographs and picked his face as the most grandfatherly.

"It turned out that (the Walesa look-alike) was the average grandfather the children selected," said Andrzej Kostenko, a documentary film director, who shot the 52-

episode series.

The series had its debut in October, just after a version appeared in Russia in the Russian language.

Before that, Polish children had never known the American version of "Sesame Street," with a man doing a voice-over and reading all the parts in Polish.

Now, it's all Polish, with the dubbed dialogue to the Polish family that lives on the make-believe "Sezankowa" Street.

There are even two original Polish Muppets, designed in the United States by Jim Henson Productions based on thousands of Polish children's sketches.

"I like the American method, consisting in very precise consultations with children about how they imagine someone or something," Kostenko said.

The prime time Sunday afternoon series is the result of 15 months of effort by Polish producers, educators, writers and actors working with the Children's Television Workshop crew in New York.

Investigators

Without Mr. Gingrich's prior review and approval, Baran would interview. "I strongly believe this is the committee's view."

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Mobutu meets opposition, tries to reinforce government

Tina Susman
Associated Press

KINSHASA, Zaire — Zaire's president took the first step Thursday toward forming a new government to salvage his warring nation, and his new army chief vowed to retake territory lost to rebels.

Mobutu Sese Seko, who returned Tuesday from four months in Europe for cancer treatment, was clearly eager to try to restore some dignity to his country and its armed forces, who have been run

out of three key cities in eastern Zaire since October.

"We must get rid of our shame," the ailing leader grumbled during talks with opposition representatives in his elegant residence overlooking the Zaire River.

On Wednesday, he named hard-line Gen. Marc Mahele Lieko Bokungu as the new army leader. Mahele, described as a "veritable Rambo" in the Kinshasa newspaper *Le Soft*, is seen as the seasoned career soldier needed to restore discipline and morale to the humiliated army.

The mission of the army is the defense of the territorial integrity of the nation, and the protection of its people," Mahele said after meeting with Mobutu in the president's marble-floored salon. "I assure you, we will make every effort with God's help and the cooperation of the people to accomplish this."

Mobutu posed for photographers while sitting in a white, throne-like chair, his trademark leopard-skin

hat perched on his head. Afterward, he strolled slowly around the grounds, arm-in-arm with his wife.

Mobutu talked with opposition representatives who have urged him to dump Prime Minister Leon Kengo wa Dondo, and afterward government representatives said Mobutu had asked them to work with him in forming a "crisis government" within 48 hours.

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Freighter log book features absent page

Roxana Hegeman
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Someone cut a page from the engine log book on the huge freighter that plowed into a crowded riverside mall and injured 116 people, the Coast Guard said Thursday.

The missing page from the handwritten log covered the two days before the accident and might have recorded problems with an engine pump that failed Saturday, leaving the ship almost powerless to avoid the riverbank.

None of the other engine records from last Friday, when the Bright Field was moored upriver from New Orleans, indicate anything was going on that day, Coast Guard Cmdr. Ken Parris said.

Word that the page had been cut out came Thursday during a joint Coast Guard and National Transportation Safety Board inquiry into the cause of Saturday's accident.

Lost business and property damage from the crash could total well over \$500 million, said attorney Daniel Becnel, who has filed a class action lawsuit on behalf of the mall business owners.

James Roussel, an attorney for the ship's owners, filed suit Thursday to have all claims consolidated according to maritime law, which would limit liability to the value of the ship and its cargo — about \$16 million — if the ship is found to be seaworthy and the crew is absolved of negligence.

The 763-foot Bright Field, loaded with 56,000 tons of corn, lost power and crashed into the Riverwalk mall, injuring 116 people and destroying more than a dozen shops and a small part of the Hilton Hotel.

Officials at the hearing had been using photocopies of the log provided by the company until Bob Barnett, an attorney for the state's river pilot agency, insisted on seeing the original and discovered the missing page Wednesday.

Parris said the missing page was for last Thursday and Friday in the "engine movement book," where the ship's engineer on duty customarily records any notable ship activity.

It was not known when the page was removed. Parris said he personally looked at the log aboard ship after the crash and did not notice it missing.

After the accident, the attorneys for the ship owners took the log and kept it until Tuesday. When the hearings began it was turned over to the Coast Guard, which didn't notice the missing page.

"If Bob Barnett hadn't demanded the original, we would never have known," Becnel said.

STUDENTS

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semester.
UI junior and physical anthropology major Adam Mizelle, an Iowa City resident, said he plans on getting a head start on his spring semester classes.

"Over break I'm going to work a bit and start getting ahead on next semester's classes by buying my books on Jan. 13th and getting a jump on my reading," Mizelle said. "I also plan on doing some outside reading of articles in my major."

While most students staying in Iowa City are here by choice, UI senior Kandy Thorsen is stuck in Iowa City because her family is more than 1,000 miles away in Puerto Rico.

"I'm going to visit my family in Puerto Rico for a week, but then I will be back in Iowa City for the rest of the break because I pay rent here and need to work," Thorsen said.

UI senior Mark Jones has spent many breaks in Iowa City. He said being in Iowa City without all of the students is much nicer. Jones said he stays in Iowa City during breaks to work at The Airliner, 22 S. Clinton St., and because he doesn't feel like spending a lot of time at home.

Iowa City native Eman Shirazi said Iowa City is dead during winter break and unless one knows a lot of people, it can be really boring.

However, UI sophomore Joey Secory said he is looking forward to being in Iowa City when there are fewer people in town.

"I'm thinking this will be a good time to meet new people," Secory said. "The bars will be sweet because there will be less people."

COGS

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said he attended the COGS rally in an attempt to prompt the UI administration into signing for higher wages for graduate employees.

"We're trying to put pressure on the university to bargain in good faith," Scott said. "It seems they've been stonewalling us."

Scott said the UI doesn't understand the amount of work TAs are required to complete is unreasonable for the wages they receive.

"We're not paid nearly enough for what we do," Scott said.

Lara Trubowitz, a graduate student and TA in English, said she doesn't feel respected or under-

stood by the UI administration.

"I think there has been little effort on the part of the administration to know what conditions we work under," Trubowitz said.

One of the working condition improvements COGS is trying to win is a limit on class sizes. COGS negotiating team member Jolene Stritecky said some TAs are responsible for too many students in their classes, especially in the departments of sociology and economics.

TA Doug Hertzler, who is responsible for the 105 students and four discussion sections for an anthropology class, said he works at least 25 hours a week, but is paid for only 20.

Hertzler said students lose out because he is burdened with so much responsibility and the feedback he can give students on papers and assignments is less than he would like.

"The amount of comments we can write on a paper is limited because we have so many to grade," he said. "We're simply overloaded. We don't have time."

Hetzler said he hopes COGS can negotiate a contract that ensures graduate students only will have to work for the number of hours for which they are appointed.

The UI negotiating committee members could not be reached for comment while they were in a closed session.

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attending. Bush said the conference was a success.

"People were very motivated by the time they left," Bush said.

ARH donated time by serving food at the Salvation Army as another motivational tool this semester, Doellinger said.

"We try to get different people to go every Sunday from different floors," Doellinger said. "It's very rewarding for everyone involved."

ARH Floor Government Director and UI sophomore Eric Nemmers said in the past, ARH implemented many different kinds of social programs, but has not worked in community service to the same extent.

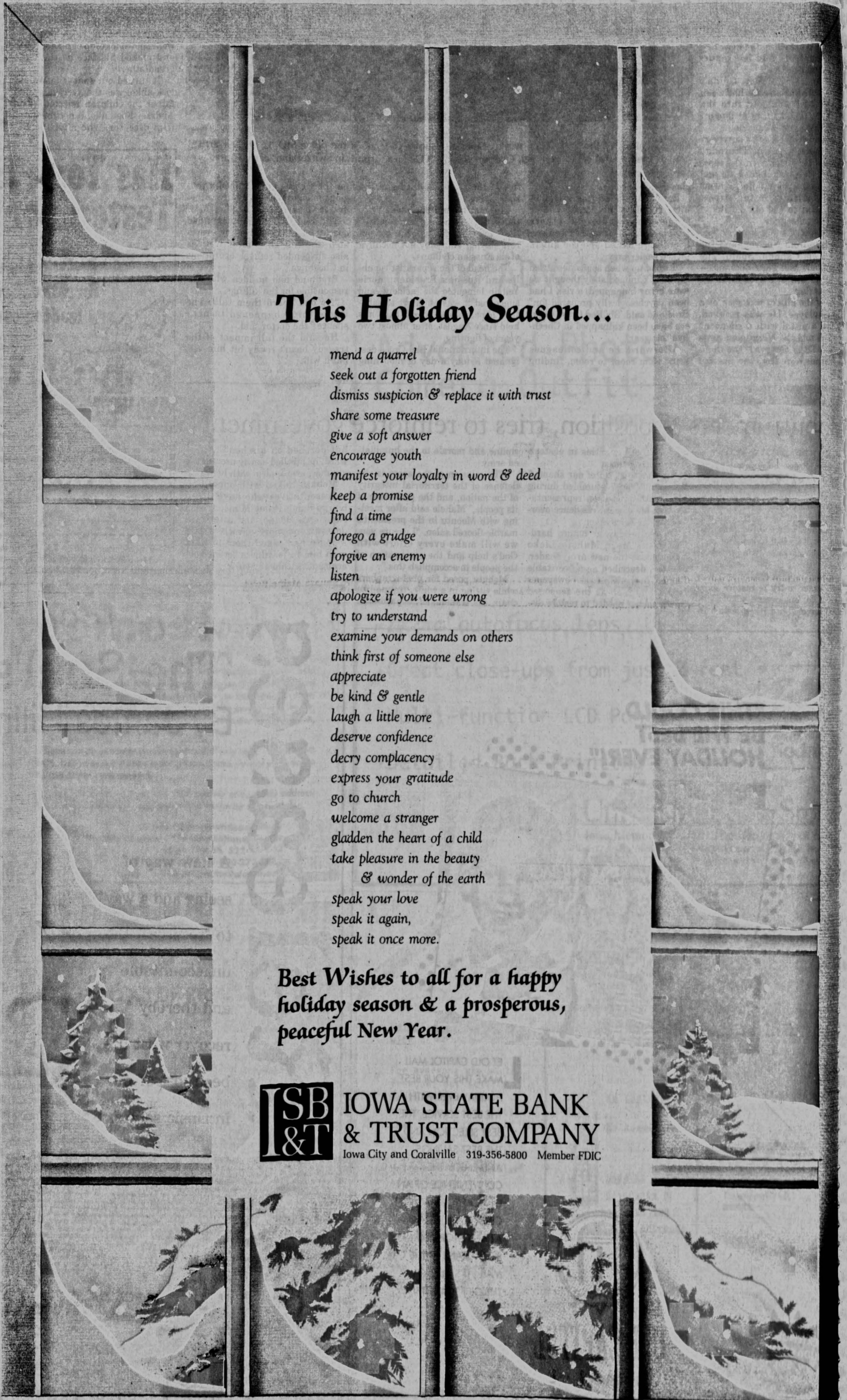
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The community is not the only entity to benefit from these services, Nemmers said.



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BASEBALL

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

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Shammgod, 20, of North Attleboro, Mass., was charged with driving to escape for an accident at the Elm Square mall in North Attleboro. The warrant was issued after he missed a hearing day in Attleboro District Court. A woman in the clerk's office said she had the warrant.

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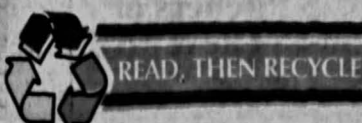
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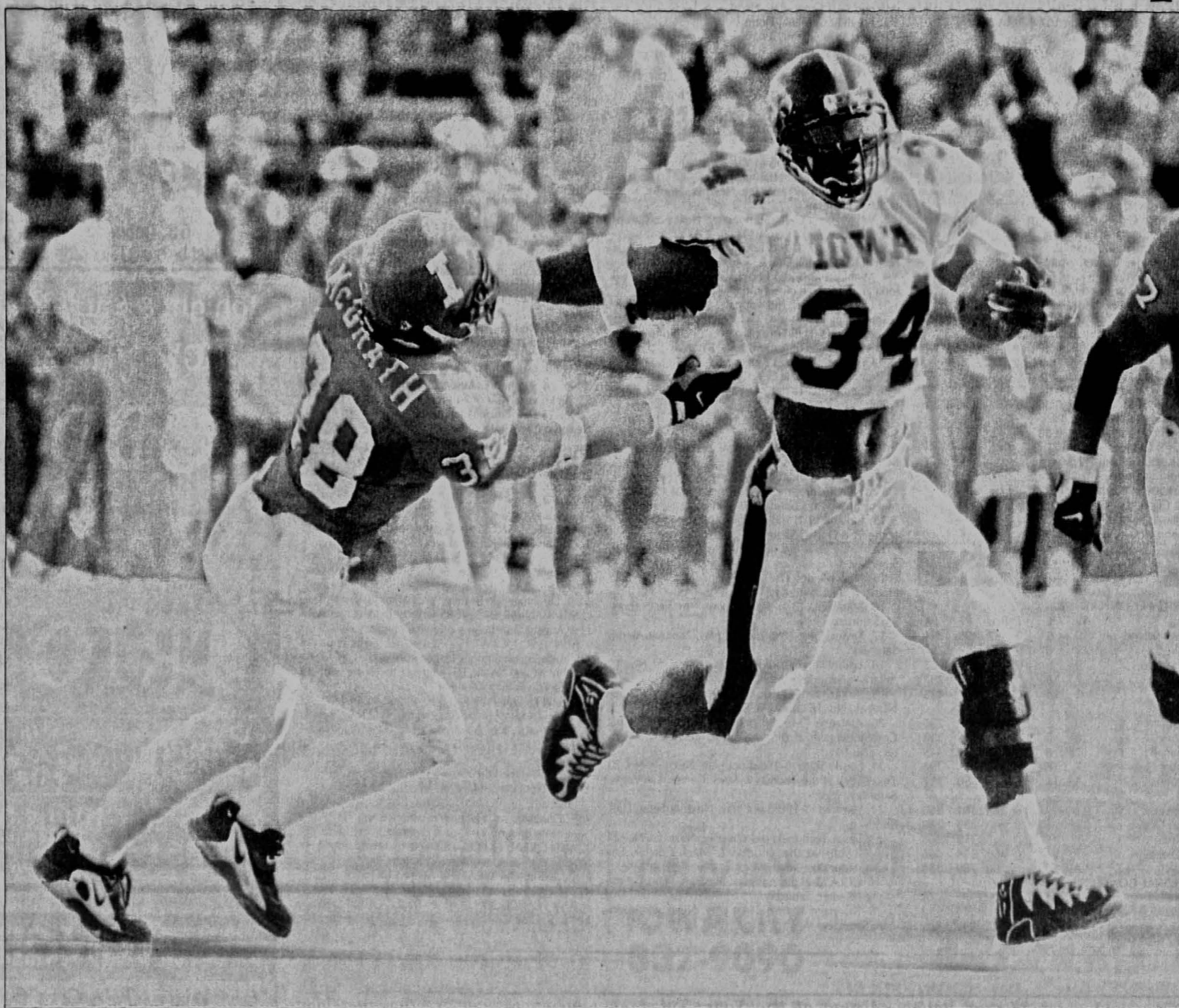
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Texas Two-Step



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan

Iowa fullback and Texas native Rodney Filer (34) shakes off an Indiana defender earlier this season. Filer and 16 other Hawkeyes hail from Texas, where Iowa will face Texas Tech Dec. 29, in the Builders Square Alamo Bowl.

Hawkeyes hope second trip is the charm

Chris Snider
 The Daily Iowan

The Iowa football team hopes that when it comes to trips to the Alamo Bowl, the second time is the charm.

After a disappointing 37-3 loss to California three years ago in the inaugural Alamo Bowl, the No. 21 Hawkeyes head back to San Antonio this year in hopes of a better showing.

Iowa will battle No. 30 Texas Tech Sunday, December 29, at the Alamodome in San Antonio, Texas. Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. for the game, which will be broadcast to a national audience by ESPN.

Iowa enters the game with an 8-3 record. The Hawkeyes have finished with nine or more wins only five times in the past 40 years.

Texas Tech is 7-4, having suffered losses to Kansas State, Georgia, Nebraska and Texas.

"They had some real fine ball-games where they came out on the short end," Iowa coach Hayden Fry said of the Red Raiders. "They're a very worthy opponent. Spike Dikes is one of the most colorful coaches in college football. I think it has the earmarks of being a real fine football game."

Texas Tech is led by junior tailback Byron Hanspard, who finished the season No. 2 in the nation with 2,084 yards rushing to Iowa State's Troy Davis.

The Hawkeyes have had success against some of the nations top running backs this season, having faced seven runners that rank among the top 20 in the nation.

Of those seven, only Northwestern's Darnell Autry ran for better than his average against the Hawkeyes.

But Hanspard isn't the only weapon Texas Tech will bring east to San Antonio. Red Raider quarterback Zebbie Lethridge threw for over 1,600 yards on the season.

"In having a 2,000-yard rusher, they surprisingly threw the ball

Recognizing the top Hawkeyes of 1996

Earlier this week, the Iowa football team announced its annual player awards. Four players shared the team MVP award, three shared Special Teams Player of the Year and four others shared the Coaches Appreciation Award.

Way to take a stand. Though I'll admit this season was a true team effort, I feel there were a number of individual efforts that deserve to be honored. So, without further ado, here's my version of the 1996 Hawkeye Football Awards. Notice, there are

absolutely no four-way ties:

Offensive player of the Year: A lot of players had big games, but nobody contributed to the Iowa offense as much as Tim Dwight. Be it a big reception or an amazing punt return, Dwight



was consistently the catalyst that fired up Iowa's offense when it was struggling. Dwight made sure no game was over before the clock ran out, and when the Hawkeyes weren't playing trailer, Dwight played backbreaker.

Defensive player of the Year: Being a native Iowan, I grew up learning former Hawkeye Chuck Long was a legend. But since his graduation, the Hawkeyes have arguably been without a superstar (sorry Nick Bell). That drought will end in the next two years, though, because of sopho-

more defensive lineman Jared DeVries. DeVries, who had an outstanding freshman season, showed glimpses of greatness this year. He set the tone for every game and was easily the most consistent defender in Iowa's lineup. Mark my words, this year DeVries is Iowa's defensive MVP, but in two years he will be the Big Ten defensive MVP and a first-team all-American.

Coach of the Year: Hayden Fry.
Play of the Year: If their were

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IOWA STATE TAILBACK

Davis forgoes senior season

Associated Press

AMES, Iowa — Pro football is beckoning, and Iowa State's Troy Davis is heeding the call.

Davis, the first major-college player to rush for 2,000 yards twice, announced Thursday he would skip his senior year to make himself available for the 1997 National Football League draft.

The junior from Miami, second in the Heisman Trophy voting this season and a two-time All-American, said he has been thinking about his future since the end of the season. He made up his mind

after conferring with his family and coach Dan McCartney.

"It was a very difficult decision, but I feel it is in the best interest of my family," Davis said in a statement released by the university.

"The great relationship I have with coach McCartney made this a tougher decision. He is turning around the Iowa State football program and I will miss being a part of that turnaround."

Davis' father, William Webster, said the decision was made in the middle of the season.

"We had talked about it when he had gained about 1,500-1,600

yards and he decided that pro might be his best move," Webster said in a telephone interview from Miami.

Davis led the nation in rushing the past two years, gaining 2,185 yards this season and 2,010 last year, when he became the first sophomore to reach 2,000.

The 5-foot-8, 190-pounder, who's expected to be a high draft pick, is Iowa State's career leader in rushing (4,382) and all-purpose yardage (5,177) and his 20 100-yard games also are a school record. He holds

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Associated Press

Iowa State running back Troy Davis rushes for 378 yards against Missouri, Sept. 28.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Hawkeyes look to rebound at Drake

Andy Hamilton
 The Daily Iowan

When the Iowa women's basketball team travels to Des Moines to take on Drake Saturday night, the Hawkeyes will have much more at stake than expected before the season started.

That's when Iowa was in just about everyone's preseason Top 10. But after losing three games before Christmas, the task at Drake becomes a gut check for the Hawkeyes.

A win would get the Hawkeyes turned around after a two-game losing skid. It would also give them some momentum heading into the Big Ten opener at Minnesota on December 28th.

For Drake, a victory over No. 21 Iowa would be a big boost in coach Lisa Bluder's quest to give her program some national recognition.

Iowa coach Angie Lee sees that prestige right around the corner for Drake, but she hopes it doesn't come at the expense of her squad.

"I think (Bluder's) close," Lee said. "As a matter of fact, I think she's more than close. Now she is getting the talent that is going to be able to take her to the next level."

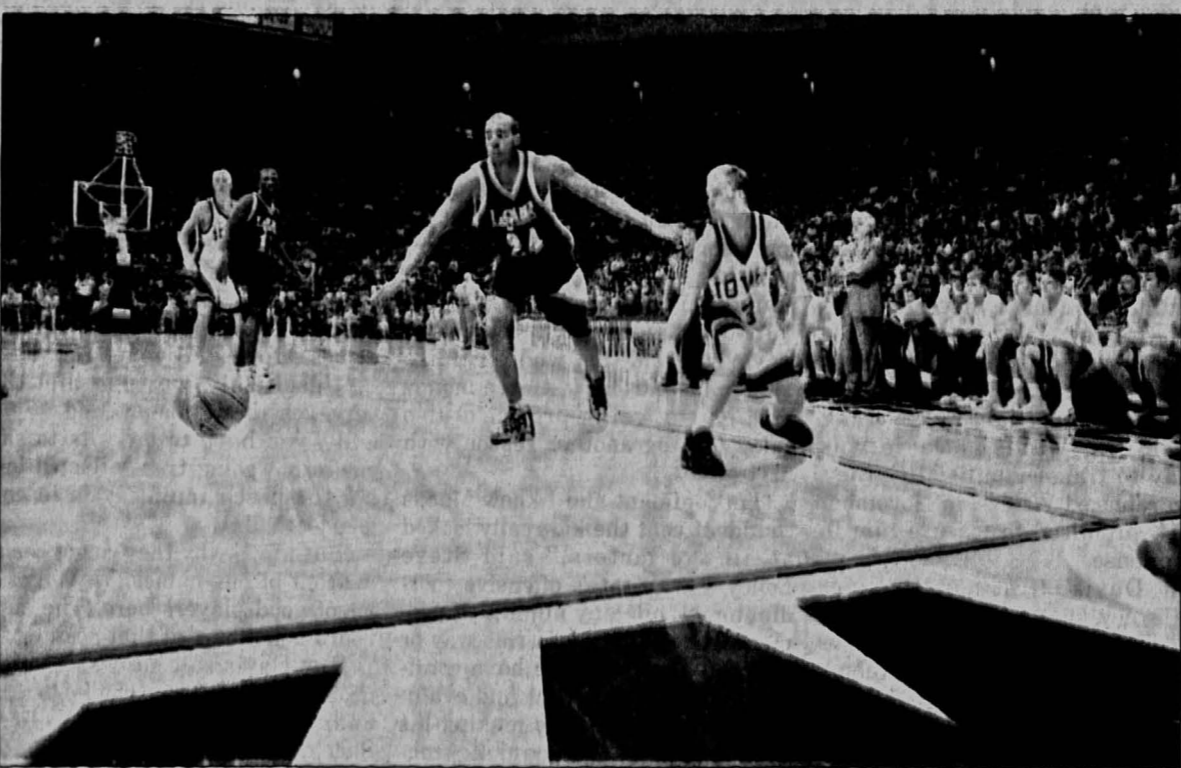
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Hawkeye Hoopla

With Jess Settles back in the lineup this week, the Iowa men's basketball team is finally able to field a full, healthy squad. Just in time, too, since the Big Ten conference season opener is less than two weeks away.

Settles may or may not be in the starting lineup Saturday, but will see significant minutes when the Hawkeyes begin their final stretch of preseason preparation, hosting perennial power Missouri. Tip-off is scheduled for 8:35 p.m. and the game will be televised by ESPN.

Photo by Brian Ray/The Daily Iowan



Sports

OLYMPIC BASKETBALL

Women look forward to 2000

Larry Siddons
Associated Press

Somewhere Down Under, Tara VanDerveer knows, there's a teenage girl working on a cross-over dribble and jump shot that's arcing straight at a gold medal.

This is no time for women's basketball in the United States to sit on its laurels, VanDerveer said.

The coach who led the U.S. women's team to the Olympic championship this summer and has since seen most of her squad sign with two new pro leagues said the time is right to start getting ready for the 2000 Sydney Games, and some mighty changes must be made.

"I guarantee, Australia is working on it now," VanDerveer said Thursday. "We can't be complacent. We have to be serious. We can't rest on our Atlanta glory."

The U.S. women's basketball squad was honored as the team of the year by the U.S. Olympic Committee, edging the gold-medal U.S. women's gymnastics team by a single point, 309-308, in balloting by USOC officials, athletes and reporters.

Two other gold-medal U.S. women's teams, softball and soccer, were third and fourth, with the men's swimming 400-meter medley relay team fifth.

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Tara VanDerveer, Olympic women's basketball coach on what needs to be done to prepare the U.S. team for the 2000 Games in Sydney, Australia

Last August, the United States beat Brazil 111-87 to win the Olympic title, the ultimate payoff of a revolutionary program.

USA Basketball decided in 1994 that to reclaim the women's Olympic title on its home court it had to do more than pick a bunch of players from colleges and overseas leagues just before the games.

It offered \$50,000 a player from a \$3 million budget to establish a national women's team, and let it play together across 52 games and 102,000 miles. The new system worked, but VanDerveer and some of her players said things have to change just as radically before Sydney.

"Hopefully, we could take the team from the 1998 world championships and use that as the core of the Olympic team," said Lisa Leslie, the team's leading scorer with a 19.5-point average. "We could train together each summer, and maybe get together a few months before the games. We wouldn't need a year."

One thing that would make such a change possible is the establishment of two women's pro leagues in the United States — the American Basketball League, playing now, and the Women's NBA, which starts next year.

"I don't think we'd need to train together as long, especially with the WBL and the WNBA," VanDerveer said.

She said the process could evolve into something like the men's Dream Team, where a virtual NBA all-star team is picked to play for the United States in world championships and the Olympics.

And after taking a sabbatical from her job as women's coach at Stanford to direct the Olympic team, VanDerveer said it was time to change the way a coach was picked, too.

"It has to be a full-time job," she said. "We're asking the players to do it and it's unfair for the coach not to do it."



Associated Press

St. Louis Blues head coach Mike Keenan watches his players take the ice for a game against the New York Rangers Jan. 14, 1996.

NHL
Keenan fired as Blues coach

R.B. Fallstrom
Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Mike Keenan, who alienated fans by trading St. Louis Blues favorites and feuded with Brett Hull, was fired as coach and general manager on Thursday.

Jack Quinn, team president since 1986, also was dismissed, although he was offered a consultant position with the team. He said he'd decide by early next week.

"We felt it was important that we right this ship as quickly as possible," Blues chairman Jerry Ritter said at a news conference. "It's time we make a change."

The Blues, hurting at the gate and with a record below .500, appointed assistant Jimmy Roberts interim head coach and Ron Caron interim general manager. Caron had been the GM from 1983-94 before becoming executive vice president when Keenan arrived.

Mark Sauer, who previously was CEO of baseball's St. Louis Cardinals and Pittsburgh Pirates, was hired as team president. Sauer was with the Pirates from 1991 to last August, when he resigned, but has no hockey background.

Several broadcast reports said Jacques Demers, who coached the

Blues from 1983-86, would return as coach, but Ritter said the search had not yet begun. Caron said he hoped to name a coach by the end of next week.

"Jacques is a candidate," Caron said. "He's been successful. We just have to kick it around."

Keenan has a career record of 470-318-99, but this is the fourth time he has left an NHL team on less than amicable terms. He bolted the New York Rangers for the Blues a month after leading the Rangers to a Stanley Cup in 1994 over a dispute regarding bonus pay, was fired after four seasons with Chicago in 1992 and dismissed after four seasons with Philadelphia in 1988.

Last season was something of a spectacular failure for Keenan, who traded three prospects and a

first-round draft pick to get Wayne Gretzky in February. Gretzky lasted only a few months with the team, signing with the Rangers this summer.

Judging from the Keenan experience, Ritter said it was likely the team would now hire a separate GM and coach.

The Blues have been floundering in the third season of Keenan's regime, a season marked by clashes with Hull. The coach and the star right wing haven't seen eye-to-eye almost since Keenan came to town in July 1994, and the dispute has clearly hurt the club.

But Ritter, who met with Hull after giving the news to Keenan, said the Keenan-Hull spat was less a factor than the Blues' slump at home coupled with plummeting attendance.

TENNIS

Seles suit over stabbing incident dismissed

Associated Press

HAMBURG, Germany — Monica Seles' \$15.7 million lawsuit against German tennis authorities over her 1993 stabbing was dismissed Thursday.

Seles, who sought damages for lost income, blamed the German Tennis Federation for lack of security.

Judge Peter Schade tossed out the civil suit and also ordered the tennis star to pay the costs of the court proceedings.

"This is, obviously, another disappointment stemming from the terrible attack on me in 1993," Seles said in a statement released by her representative in Los Angeles.

She said she couldn't comment on specifics of the decision because

the court's opinion will not be released for several weeks.

"We will wait for the written verdict and then decide whether to appeal," said Wilhelm Danelzik, Seles' lawyer.

Seles, ranked No. 1 in the world at the time of the attack, was sidelined for 27 months after being stabbed in the back during a break in a match at Hamburg on April 30, 1993.

Guenter Parche, a fan of German star Steffi Graf, was convicted and received a two-year suspended sentence.

Danelzik argued that the federation, as the tournament organizer, did not provide basic security, and no action was taken to stop Parche.

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Sports

Midlands offer best preseason tune-up

James Kramer
The Daily Iowan

Under different circumstances, Iowa wrestling coach Dan Gable might not consider the Midlands Championships as crucial as he does this season.

The Midlands, which takes place December 28-29 in Evanston, Ill., are very important for the Hawkeyes, as far as Gable is concerned. There are basically two reasons for his line of thought.

First of all, the Midlands represents the only major tournament in which Iowa will compete this season before the Big Ten and NCAA Championships. The Hawkeyes have had five dual meets.

"The big thing is that it's the only tournament we're going into," Gable said. "I've sent some guys to some smaller tournaments, but I think we've got to suck it up a little bit for this."

"It's extra important this year because of the amount of competition that we haven't had."

Iowa's non-varsity wrestlers have competed in the Northern Open in Madison, Wis. and the Northern Iowa Open in Cedar Falls.

The second reason for Gable's concern deals with the performances some of his wrestlers turned in against Iowa State last weekend. The No. 1-ranked Hawkeyes struggled at the larger weight classes, losing three of the last four to the Cyclones.

Gable's team does not have official practices before the Midlands, as the head coach gave his team two weeks off. The decision was made before the Iowa State dual, and Gable has had second thoughts.

"Had I known they were going to wrestle not as well as I'd like them to, I probably would have kept them most of this week," Gable said.

The Hawkeyes still had unofficial workouts this week, as wrestlers worked around their final-exam schedules. Gable said he usually gives his team a "mini-

sum of 10 days" off before Midlands.

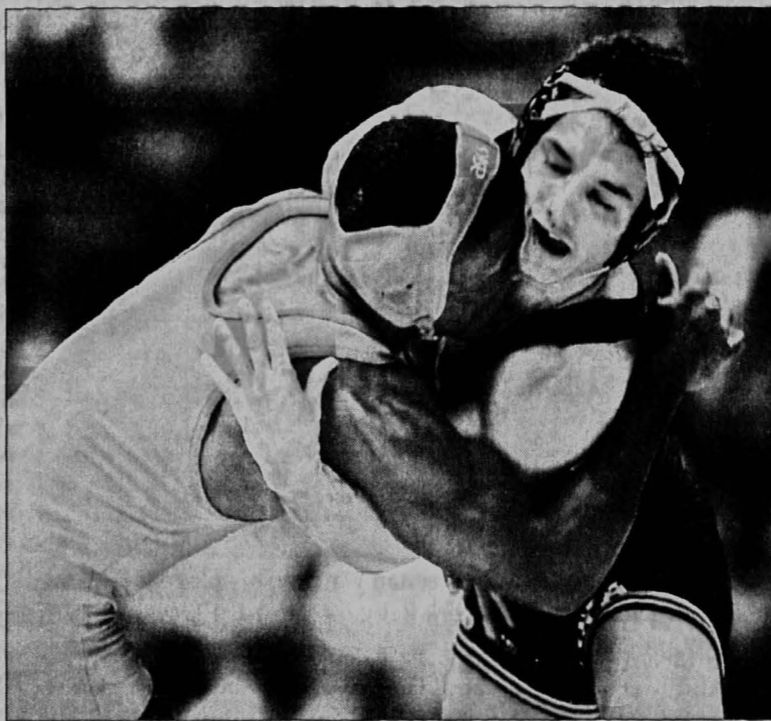
This year's Midlands is unique from previous years in that it features team scoring. Because of the change, teams are not allowed to bring their redshirts.

The new system does present a challenge for Iowa (5-0 in dual meets), as its wrestlers must concentrate on team points as well as their individual results.

"They need to be aware that it's not just some tournament that we go in with an individual point of view," Gable said. "We don't want to give anybody a chance to think they can take the title."

Gable, 48, said he will not undergo surgery on his ailing hip before Midlands. His thoughts have varied over the last few weeks. One doctor told the 1972 Olympic gold medal winner that the procedure could keep him off the sidelines for three months or more.

"I don't know what I'm going to do yet," Gable said. "I'm kind of back and forth. It depends on who I talk to."



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan
Iowa senior Mike Mena grapples with his Iowa State opponent last Saturday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

IOWA GYMNASTICS

Hawkeyes travel east after holidays

Chris James
The Daily Iowan

Extended traveling will become a part of the Christmas itinerary for the Iowa men's gymnastics team.

The Hawkeyes will travel to West Point, N.Y. on January 10-11 and then head for Chicago on January 18. Iowa will be competing in the West Point Open and Windy City Invitational, respectively.

Senior Mike Townsend said he's looking forward to getting the competitive season under way.

"We had a solid performance last year at the Windy City Invitational. Traditionally, the teams up there have been really good. It'll be a solid early season test," Townsend said.

Iowa participated in last season's Windy City Invitational, finishing second to their arch rival Ohio State. Senior Tyler Vogt won the vault title while junior Chris Camiscioli finished third on the rings. Injuries kept junior Travis Rosen, an NCAA finalist last season on the vault, was out of action due to a knee injury.

Hawkeye coach Tom Dunn said even though his team finished second last year, Iowa has traditionally been strong in this annual event.

"We usually have a pretty strong outing in Chicago," Dunn said. "Most of the top teams in the Big Ten and the Midwest are there. It's always a competitive weekend."

The Hawkeyes will also cross Army's path for a second time in less than nine months. Last spring the Hawkeyes finished second ahead of the Cadets in a triangular meet in California.

PRO PICKS

Motivated Panthers knock off Pittsburgh

Dave Goldberg
Associated Press

When the NFL schedule came out last spring, the final-week game between Pittsburgh and Carolina looked like a playoff warmup for the Steelers against a second-year expansion team.

Instead, it's a matchup of two teams headed for the playoffs, with the Panthers looking like an NFL power.

Pittsburgh goes into Carolina on Sunday with the NFC Central title clinched. Carolina can win the NFC West with a victory. If New England loses Saturday to the Giants, the Steelers can still get a first-round bye, but that's unlikely so Pittsburgh should know its playoff situation by gametime.

So assume Carolina is more motivated — the line nearly doubled from three points to 5½ (Carolina's the favorite) early in the week.

Remember that Carolina is 7-0 at home. And remember the defensive systems are nearly identical — Dom Capers was Bill Cowher's defensive coordinator before taking the Panthers' head job. So each team's offense has seen a lot of the other guy's defense.

Finally, assume the Patriots will beat the Giants.

PANTHERS, 23-15

New England (minus 9) at New York Giants (Saturday)

Let's get Bill Parcells' first game against his old team out of the way quickly.

Actually, it's a wash — there are three Parcells Giants left in New York (Brian Williams, Howard Cross and Rodney Hampton) and three in New England (William Roberts, Dave Meggett and Bob Kratch).

PATRIOTS, 27-10

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BILLS, 14-10

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Christine Hanley
Associated Press

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. — A lawyer was charged today with attempted extortion in an alleged effort to blackmail former UMass basketball star Marcus Camby.

Wesley Spears surrendered to police this morning on charges of first-degree attempted larceny by extortion and promoting prostitution, prosecutors said.

Camby, drafted in June by the Toronto Raptors of the NBA, had accused Spears of using blackmail to try to get him to hire Spears as his agent.

Exact details on the charges were not immediately available. Hartford prosecutor James Thomas said he expected the warrant to remain sealed. Neither Spears nor his attorney would comment as they left police headquarters. He is to be arraigned Jan. 6.

In a June confession to his hometown newspaper, *The Hartford Courant*, Camby admitted accepting jewelry worth \$5,300 from Spears. But he said the jewelry

SWIMMING ROUNDUP

Hawkeye tankers head to warmer winter climates

Although the Iowa women's swimming team won't have another official competition until mid-January, it will be anything but inactive during the winter holiday.

"The winter conditioning is a key element that will make the difference between what we're doing now and what we're going to be able to do at the Big Ten meet," Iowa coach Mary Bolich said. "It is a vital part of our training."

Bolich said the team members will be allowed to go home for 10 days after finals are over, and then will train for a few days in Iowa City before heading to Hawaii.

"Even though team members are going home for 10 days, I'm giving

them really specific things to do at home," Bolich said. "It takes a lot of serious commitment on their part and if they don't fulfill it you can see it in a heartbeat."

"However I don't anticipate any problems. Everyone is excited, motivated, and committed to doing what needs to be done in order to get better."

Freshman standout Ileana Buciu is one team member who won't be able to spend any time at home over the break. Buciu, who hails from Romania, will instead travel home with fellow teammate Stephanie Homewood to continue workouts.

"We'll probably work out with a high school team," Buciu said.

"Coach Bolich doesn't want us practicing on our own."

Although the trip to Hawaii will be a nice get-away from the harsh Midwestern winter, Buciu knows that it will be more than fun in the sun to the team.

"We're all awfully excited about going to Hawaii," Buciu said. "It will be nice to be somewhere warm, but we know that the practices will be very hard. We plan on practicing long and short course meters while we are there. That will be difficult since we are used to practicing and competing in yards."

Buciu and four other teammates have competed in meters once

already this fall when they participated in the U.S. Open in San Antonio on Dec. 5.

—Becky Gruhn

Men's Swimming

Sun, surf, swimming. That's what the Christmas break holds for the Iowa Men's Swimming team.

Starting December 29, the Hawkeyes will be in the warm climate of Palm Beach for their Florida training trip.

It won't be all fun, though. Both coach Glenn Patton and his swimmers said the trip will be a lot of hard work.

In fact, at the last meet against

Iowa State, swimmer Tim Schnulle referred to the trip when he said, "This may be the last time we feel good in the water for a while."

When the Hawkeyes return after the two week trip, they will face Nebraska in their first meet of 1997.

The Cornhuskers are not strangers to the Fieldhouse pool. At the last minute, they sent a small squad of underclassmen to the Iowa Invitational to help replace the teams that backed out due to finals.

The dual with Nebraska is on January 17 and starts at 7 p.m. in the Fieldhouse pool.

—Toby Wirt

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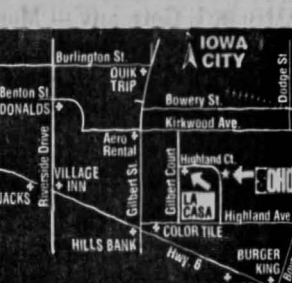
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Motivated Panthers knock off Pittsburgh

Dave Goldberg
Associated Press

When the NFL schedule came out last spring, the final-week game between Pittsburgh and Carolina looked like a playoff warmup for the Steelers against a second-year expansion team.

Instead, it's a matchup of two teams headed for the playoffs, with the Panthers looking like an NFL power.

Pittsburgh goes into Carolina on Sunday with the NFC Central title clinched. Carolina can win the NFC West with a victory. If New England loses Saturday to the Giants, the Steelers can still get a first-round bye, but that's unlikely, so Pittsburgh should know its playoff situation by gametime.

So assume Carolina is more motivated — the line nearly doubled from three points to 5½ (Carolina's the favorite) early in the week.

Remember that Carolina is 7-0 at home. And remember the defensive systems are nearly identical — Dom Capers was Bill Cowher's defensive coordinator before taking the Panthers' head job. So each team's offense has seen a lot of the other guy's defense.

Finally, assume the Patriots will beat the Giants.
PANTHERS, 23-15

New England (minus 9) at New York Giants (Saturday)
Let's get Bill Parcells' first game against his old team out of the way quickly.

Actually, it's a wash — there are three Parcells Giants left in New York (Brian Williams, Howard Cross and Rodney Hampton) and three in New England (William Roberts, Dave Meggett and Bob Krach).
PATRIOTS, 27-10

Kansas City (plus 5) at Buffalo
The winner is in the playoffs, the loser is probably out.

Take the fading team that's playing at home.
BILLS, 14-10

Indianapolis (minus 1) at Cincinnati
The Colts need to win to make



Pittsburgh's Kordell Stewart, left, consoles quarterback Mike Tomczak as trainers work on his ankle Dec. 15.

the playoffs. The Bengals would like to get to .500.
BENGALS, 24-23

Atlanta (plus 9) at Jacksonville
The Jaguars need to win to make the playoffs. No problem against a team where fisticuffs can break out at any time between the quarterback and offensive line.
JAGUARS, 34-9

Minnesota (plus 11) at Green Bay
The only way the Packers lose home field is to lose by 19.
PACKERS, 19-0

Detroit (plus 12) at San Francisco (Monday night)
The problem here is that the 49ers will know by gametime whether they need to win or not. It probably doesn't matter.
49ERS, 27-13

Dallas (off) at Washington
"This is our bye week," says Barry Switzer.
REDSKINS, 19-6

Denver (minus 1 1/2) at San Diego
Mike Shanahan is treating this like Switzer — an exhibition.
CHARGERS 23-20

Arizona (plus 5) at Philadelphia
At this point, the Cardinals are better than the Eagles.
CARDINALS, 24-20

Seattle (plus 4) at Oakland
The Raiders need just eight penalties to break their own NFL record.
SEAHAWKS, 20-17

Chicago (plus 2 1/2) at Tampa Bay



Groundskeepers paint the Washington Redskins logo in the endzone at RFK Stadium as they set up for the team's last football game at the stadium Sunday.

The Bucs have their 13th 10-loss season in 14 years, but they can get a plus-500 second half.
BUCS, 17-13

New Orleans (plus 5) at St. Louis (Saturday)
The Rams can make this a clean sweep of the NFC West's rare echelon. They might also save Rich Brooks.
RAMS 24-16

Miami (minus 3) at New York Jets
Now that the Jets have clinched the top draft pick, they can go all out.
JETS, 21-20

Houston (plus 3) at Baltimore
If the Ravens could play their entire schedule at home ...
RAVENS, 31-27

ALL-WEATHER QUARTERBACK

Favre thrives in winter temps

Arnold Stapleton
Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Brett Favre swears he hates the Wisconsin winters, yet he's perfect when the temperatures plummet. The forecast for Sunday when the Minnesota Vikings come calling? Snow, wind-chill below zero.

In other words, perfect. Vikings coach Dennis Green tried to prepare his players for their trip to Green Bay by throwing open the doors on their indoor practice facility this week after trying unsuccessfully to clear a space on their outdoor fields.

The Packers didn't dare practice on their frigid field.

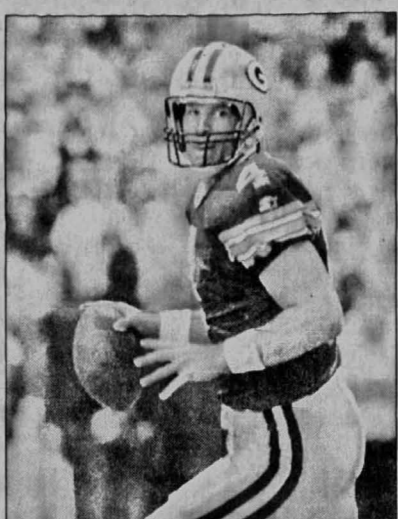
"I heard where Dennis Green is taking them out for one day this week. I'd be begging him not to," Favre said. "You can't get anything accomplished in it. You just go out there Sunday and you say 'Man, it's cold!'"

"Mentally, you can say you can be prepared for it, but really you can't," added Favre, who is 16-0 at home when game-time temperature is 35 or below.

Favre said he's stumped over his remarkable record in cold conditions, and he insists he has no secrets to share.

"How often do you stay out there for three hours? I don't think any of us are going to go out in the yard for three hours tonight and mess around with Christmas lights," Favre said. "I don't assume you know that would be the smart thing to do, but we'll have to do it Sunday."

Coach Mike Holmgren said opponents can't help but be bothered by the cold, and he recalled two bitterly cold games, one against the Rams in



Brett Favre rolls out looking for a receiver during the NFC Championship game against the Dallas Cowboys Sunday, Jan. 14.

1992 and one against the Raiders in 1993.

"Heck, the Rams' starting running back (David Lang) was trying to get his foot de-iced and his shoe caught on fire and he missed two quarters," Holmgren said.

That certainly affected him.

Favre said the blasts of Arctic air tend to intimidate opponents.

"It's not fun for either side, but mentally we might have a little bit of an advantage because we live in it. We call it our home. It's our turf. It's our frozen tundra, all those things you want to talk about," he said.

The NFC Central champions (12-3), who have won 25 of their last 26 games at Lambeau, would have to lose to the Vikings (9-6) by 19 points on Sunday to lose home-field advantage in the NFC playoffs — provided Carolina wins against Pittsburgh.

That's where the weather could make all the difference, said Favre, who, despite his disdain for the snow, would like nothing more than to have another "Ice Bowl" next month.

"I know Dallas and San Francisco, and those teams are going, 'Gosh, we may have to go up there and play them.' And that's good. We want them thinking about that," Favre said.

Minnesota linebacker Jeff Brady, who played in Green Bay in 1992, said the Vikings, despite playing in the climate-controlled Metrodome, are no strangers to the cold.

"We're walking in and out of the Arctic tundra ourselves," he said. "It's just going to be a survival test out there."

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Lawyer surrenders to police

Christine Hanley
Associated Press

WEST HARTFORD, Conn. — A lawyer was charged today with attempted extortion in an alleged effort to blackmail former UMass basketball star Marcus Camby.

Wesley Spears surrendered to police this morning on charges of first-degree attempted larceny by extortion and promoting prostitution, prosecutors said.

Camby, drafted in June by the Toronto Raptors of the NBA, had accused Spears of using blackmail to try to get him to hire Spears as his agent.

Exact details on the charges were not immediately available. Hartford prosecutor James Thomas said he expected the warrant to remain sealed. Neither Spears nor his attorney would comment as they left police headquarters. He is to be arraigned Jan. 6.

In a June confession to his hometown newspaper, *The Hartford Courant*, Camby admitted accepting jewelry worth \$5,300 from Spears. But he said the jewelry

was given to him by two friends, who only later told him that Spears had paid for it.

Camby also has said he took "a couple thousand" dollars before his junior season from another agent who denies the allegations. If true, the violation of NCAA rules could lead to UMass losing postseason revenue.

After the story broke, Camby accused Spears of blackmail, saying the lawyer threatened to go public about the improper gifts if Camby signed with another agent.

Prosecutors began an investigation after Camby lodged a complaint accusing Spears of trying to blackmail the 6-foot-11 center into hiring him as an agent.

Camby, who decided to forgo his senior year at UMass to enter the NBA, eventually signed ProServe to represent him.

Spears has repeatedly denied the allegations. "Assuming an arrest occurs, it wouldn't surprise me. I expected it," Camby's agent, James Bryant, said from his Oklahoma office Wednesday. "I think clearly that

wrong things were done, and they were inappropriate."

Last May, Camby's mother, Janice Camby, received legal papers that that Bryant described as a fake lawsuit used in an attempt by Spears to attract Camby as a client.

When the papers were delivered, Bryant said, Camby's mother was told that if her son refused to cooperate, Spears would go public about the gifts.

Spears' attorney, Hubert Santos, has said that the papers contained a draft complaint written at the behest of Spears and that Camby's mother was not home when the delivery was made.

The NCAA has been conducting its own investigation.

If Camby did accept money from an agent before his junior year, he technically would have been ineligible to play last season. The NCAA could possibly force UMass to forfeit all of the games he played in his junior year, when the team had a 35-2 record and made the Final Four for the first time in school history.

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Sports

NBA ROUNDUP

Bulls withstand Hornets rally

Associated Press
 CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Michael Jordan scored 35 points and Scottie Pippen and Steve Kerr helped the Chicago Bulls turn back a Charlotte rally for a 93-72 victory over the Hornets on Thursday night.
 Pippen and Kerr scored five points each in a 14-2 fourth-quarter run that sent the Bulls to their fifth consecutive victory and their 12th in 14 road games this season.
 Pippen had 19 points and Kerr added seven of his 10 in the fourth quarter to augment Jordan's 14th 30-point game of the year, including his third in the last four.



Associated Press

Bulls forward Dennis Rodman ends up on top of Charlotte center Wade Divac Thursday. Both players were called for a foul on the play.

After each team missed from the field, Stoudamire stole an offensive rebound from Baker and passed to Rogers, who drew a foul and hit the first of two free throws for a 93-90 lead with 11 seconds left.

Jazz 94, Heat 87, OT
 MIAMI — Karl Malone scored 35 points and grabbed his 10,000th career rebound Thursday night to help the Utah Jazz beat the Miami Heat 94-87 in overtime.

Utah rallied from a nine-point deficit in the last 3 1/2 minutes of regulation, and Miami scored only two baskets over the final seven minutes, including overtime.

Malone reached 10,000 rebounds by grabbing his 16th of the night with five seconds left. He's the 23rd player to reach the milestone, and the fifth still active in the NBA.

Miami led 78-69 with 3 1/2 minutes left in regulation and 82-76 with two minutes to go. But Mal-

one scored seven points in the final three minutes, including a 10-footer with 18.9 seconds left to give Utah an 83-82 lead.

Spurs 115, Rockets 101
 HOUSTON — Charles Barkley poked a referee in the nose and drew blood as he was being ejected from the Houston Rockets' second straight puzzling loss.

Barkley and Clyde Drexler were both ejected with 5:47 remaining for drawing their second technical fouls while arguing a call under Houston's basket. Barkley pointed at referee Jack Nies, and his fingertail caused a cut on Nies' nose.

In the meeting of the teams with the NBA's best and worst records, Dominique Wilkins scored 24 and David Robinson added 20 for the Spurs.

The Rockets, who lost at Vancouver on Tuesday night, dropped their second in a row for the first time this season.

Raptors 96, Bucks 93
 TORONTO — Damon Stoudamire had 19 points, 12 assists and a key steal in the final minute Thursday night to lead the Toronto Raptors past the Milwaukee Bucks 96-93.

Doug Christie added 17 points and another important steal in the final 60 seconds and Carlos Rogers and Zan Tabak contributed 16 points each off the bench.

Vin Baker had 21 points and 11 rebounds for the Bucks, whose three-game road winning streak came to an end.

With Toronto leading 92-90, Stoudamire missed a 15-footer. The Bucks rebounded, but Christie stole the ball back with 55 seconds left.

NHL ROUNDUP

Senators end losing streak, 5-2

Associated Press
 KANATA, Ontario — Alexei Yashin capped a four-goal burst in a 10-minute span of the second period, and the Ottawa Senators beat the Florida Panthers 5-2 Thursday night to end of a six-game home losing streak.

Florida, in first place in the Atlantic Division, scored on its first shot of the game, by Radek Dvorak at 1:52.

But Ottawa, in last place in the Northeast, rallied in the second period. After a goal by Bruce Gardner, Daniel Alfredsson scored on a power play.

Dave Hannan followed with a short-handed breakaway and Yashin added his 13th goal.

Flyers 5, Islanders 0
 PHILADELPHIA — Newly acquired Paul Coffey paid immediate dividends for Philadelphia, getting three assists in his first game as the Flyers extended their undefeated streak to nine games Thursday night with a 5-0 shutout of the New York Islanders.

The shutout was Philadelphia's third in a row as the team established a franchise record for the longest time without allowing a goal — 202 minutes, 30 seconds.

Garth Snow, who made 24 saves, recorded his second shutout in six days. His 4-0 win Saturday over Hartford was his first NHL shutout. The Islanders hit the post twice, but couldn't beat Snow.

Bruins 3, Lightning 0
 BOSTON — Bill Ranford recorded his 14th career shutout Thursday night and the Boston Bruins won for the first time in six home games, 3-0 over the Tampa Bay Lightning.

Ranford stopped 34 shots in his second shutout this season. Boston had been 0-4-1 in its last five home games.

Troy Mallette scored a goal and added an assist. His third goal of

the season came on a rebound at 3:54 of the second period and made it 1-0.

Sheldon Kennedy snapped a pass from Brett Harkins past Lightning goalie Rick Tabaracci at 7:30 of the second period.

Penguins 4, Blues 0
 ST. LOUIS — Mario Lemieux made it a miserable night for the St. Louis Blues' new regime, scoring three goals in the Pittsburgh Penguins' victory.

The Blues fired general manager-coach Mike Keenan and team president Jack Quinn earlier in the day. The moves had no initial effect as the Blues, under interim coach Jimmy Roberts, lost their fourth straight overall and franchise-record sixth in a row at home. At the Kiel Center, the Blues have been outscored 12-0 in the last two games.

Jaromir Jagr assisted on all four Penguins goals, helping Lemieux get his 26th career hat trick. Lemieux also had an assist.

FRIDAY PRIME TIME

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AMC	21	Little Miss Broadway	All About Eve (50) **** (Bette Davis, Anne Baxter)	I'll See You in My Dreams (51) ** (Doris Day)	Movie								
ENC	22	The Thirty-Nine Steps (6:15) (PG, 78) **	Anatomy of a Murder (59) **** (James Stewart, Lee Remick)	An Unmarried Woman									
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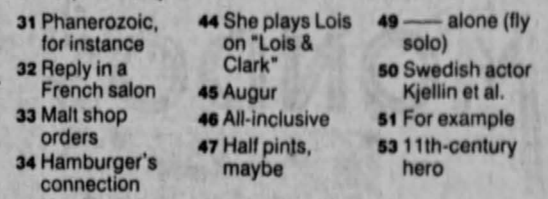
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"Beavis and Butt-Head" movie rule

By Anthony
 Associated Press

It's moronic. Idiotic. Shallow. Staples are jokes about sex and sundry bodily functions. The characters have little appeal. The dialogue is mostly meaningless.

The verdict: great flick! "Beavis and Butt-Head Do America" is a paean to peabrained adolescence that is sorely needed in a time when serious take the WAY too seriously most of the time.

Primer for the uninitiated: two cartoon characters, MT house morons since 1993, are parodies of guys everyone knew in high school. They're py, unsure-of-themselves potatoes who look at a trip to Eleven as an expedition and entire lives are driven by videos, bad TV and hormones. Butt-Head, the brunette, smarter one, and that's not much. Beavis, the blond guy, budding pyromaniac who puts shirt over his head and turns manic character called "Corn" when he consumes too much fine or sugar. Butt-Head, at times to be suave. Both think entirely cool.

When their television is stolen becomes not just a plot device but the impetus for their great TV and-Louise odyssey across the land of ours.

Beavis and Butt-Head are ignorant, unwitting deflators of everything established, whether be nuns, hotel clerks, flight attendants or the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

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Position 3: M-F, 3:00 PM-6:00 PM

Applications accepted at our Downtown Office,
102 South Clinton Street, Iowa City.

ISB & T IOWA STATE BANK & TRUST CO.
AA/EOE

PERSONAL

HELP WANTED

PROOF OPERATOR:
Excellent position available for student or person wishing to work part-time in our Coralville office. Will work 15-20 hours/week and must be available from 2:30-6:30 pm Monday - Friday. Occasional Saturday mornings. Will process transaction items using a 10-key proof machine. Must be detail oriented and have good balancing skills.

10-key skills preferred.

If interested, pick up application at any one of our offices or apply in person at Hill Bank and Trust Company, 1401 S. Gilbert Street, Iowa City. EOE.

Hills Bank and Trust Company

PERSONAL

HELP WANTED

ACT
Need extra cash over the holidays?

You can apply now to earn \$6.25/hour beginning in January doing temporary data entry work in Iowa City offices of ACT. Work expected to continue 3-4 months or more. Full pay while training. Need 25-30 wpm keyboard/typing skills. Two M-F shifts will be:
Full-time days - 7:45 to 3:45
Part-time evenings - 5 to 10

For additional information or to apply in person:
Human Resources Dept., (DI)
ACT National Office,
2201 N. Dodge St., Iowa City.
Application materials also available at Work Force Centers (formerly Job Service of Iowa) in Cedar Rapids, Iowa City, and Washington

ACT is an Equal Opportunity Employer

PERSONAL

HELP WANTED

The IOWA CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT has an opening for the following:

- Special Ed/BD Associate - 6 hr/day - Roosevelt Elementary
- Spec Ed/BD 1 on 1 Associate - 6 hr/day - Penn Elementary
- Educational Associate - 2.5 hr/day - Shimek Elementary
- Lunchroom Playground Associate - 1 hr/day - Lucas Elementary

Contact Office of Human Resources,
509 S. Dubuque St., Iowa City, IA 52240
EOE

HELP WANTED

NEED MONEY?
You can earn \$500-\$1500 or more weekly working either part-time or full-time. For free information call (319)341-7212.

PART-TIME janitorial help needed. AM and PM. Apply 3:30pm-5:30pm, Monday - Friday. Midwest Janitorial Service 2466 10th St., Coralville IA.

PRODUCTION SPECIALIST
Assist the general public in basic video production, perform basic equipment maintenance, coordinate the day-to-day operation of a busy public access center. Video production and computer experience helpful but not required. Deadline December 30. Application information available at Public Access Television, Iowa City Public Library.

HELP WANTED

LIFE Skills, Inc.
a private non-profit, human service organization has an immediate opening for a part-time Supported Community Living Skills Counselor. Primary duties will include teaching independent living skills. Must have a BA or BS in human service related field or equivalent experience. Send resume and references to
1700 First Avenue, Suite 25E,
Iowa City, IA 52240. EOE/AA

HELP WANTED

GRAND OPENING!
We are taking applications for waitstaff for the upstairs addition. Apply in person from 3-6pm. References checked.

The IOWA CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT has openings for the following:

- School Bus Associates - Approx 2 hr 2x/day 6:45 - 8:45 AM and 2:15-4:30 PM

Contact:
Iowa City Coach
1515 Willow Creek Dr., Iowa City, IA 52246

HELP WANTED

TELLER
Immediate part-time positions available. Excellent opportunity to begin career in finance or business. We offer a competitive wage and professional place to work. Advancement opportunities available within our Teller Development Program. Cash handling/customer service experience preferred. Must be available for breaks and summers. All shifts involve rotating Saturday mornings.

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EARN EXTRA \$\$
The Daily Iowan has the following carrier routes open Jan. 21:

- S. Clinton, S. Dubuque, S. Capitol, Harrison, Prentiss
- W. Benton, Carriage Hill
- S. Gilbert, S. Linn, Court
- Washington, Iowa Ave, S. Governor, S. Lucas
- Bowery, S. Johnson, S. Van Buren
- S. Lucas, Bowery St
- Westwinds Dr

For more information call
The Daily Iowan
Circulation Office 335-5783

HELP WANTED

LOOKING FOR EVENING AND WEEKEND WORK?
Systems Unlimited, Inc. is a non-profit agency serving individuals with developmental disabilities. Our residential shifts can accommodate most student schedules. We offer:

- flexible schedules including overnight, morning, evening, or weekend shifts (evening shifts are approximately 3:00 to 10:00, depending on the job site).
- competitive wage
- Professional training, and
- opportunity for advancement

Apply in person at

SYSTEMS UNLIMITED INC.
An Iowa Non-profit Corporation

1556 First Ave,
Iowa City, IA 52240
(319) 338-9212 EOE

HELP WANTED

CALENDAR BLANK
Mail or bring to The Daily Iowan, Communications Center Room 201. Deadline for submitting items to the Calendar column is 1pm two days prior to publication. Items may be edited for length, and in general will not be published more than once. Notices which are commercial advertisements will not be accepted. Please print clearly.

Event
Sponsor
Day, date, time
Location
Contact person/ phone

HELP WANTED

EARN cash stuffing envelopes at home. All materials provided. Send SASE to Midwest Distributors, P.O. Box 624, Olathe, KS 66051.

FUN & MONEY
If you don't have enough of either, call 354-1333.

KINDERCAMPIUS is now hiring for substitute positions. Please call 337-5843.

HELP WANTED

STOP!
What you are about to read may excite you.

Trainers earn over \$70,000 a year. (excited yet?) As a Covenant team, earn over \$100,000 and run 225,000 miles a year. (shouldn't you call Covenant now?)

Covenant Transport
A Satisfied Driver is our #1 Concern

Experienced Drivers and owner operators
Call 1-800-441-4394
Graduate Students
Call 1-800-338-6428

HELP WANTED

OWNER OPERATORS
Qualified owner-operators needed for local pick-up and delivery. Tired of the road? Want to be home every night and every weekend? C.C. Southern has a great opportunity for you. Our innovative compensation package includes:

- Weekly settlements
- Mileage and tonnage bonus
- Weekly performance bonus
- Incentive for multiple contracts
- Low-cost insurance

CDL with HAZMAT and tractor-trailer experience required. Secure your future and grow with us.

Call (800) 422-1357 now!
Equal Opportunity Employer

HELP WANTED

CHILD CARE NEEDED
BABYSITTER needed three days a week 7:30a.m. to 6p.m. for three children in our home. Starts January 20. Experience and car needed. Call 358-9851.

SEEKING babysitter for 3-year-old boy full-time. Own transportation required. Good pay. Call evenings 338-3141.

HELP WANTED

SALES

THE HAUNTED BOOK SHOP
We buy, sell and search 30,000 titles
520 E. Washington St.
(next to New Pioneer Co-op)
337-2996
Mon-Fri 11-6pm; Sat 10-6pm
Sunday noon-5pm

HELP WANTED

SALES

WOMEN'S STUDIES BOOKS
1400 Titles
Murphy-Brookfield Books
Mon.-Sat. 11-6
Sun 12-4
219 NORTH GILBERT
West of Mercy Hospital

HELP WANTED

SALES

RECORD COLLECTOR
We pay cash 7 days a week for quality used CD's, including virtually every category of music. And of course, we also purchase records! RECORD COLLECTOR 4 1/2 S. Linn St. • 337-5029

HELP WANTED

EDUCATION

PENN ELEMENTARY BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
Searching for dedicated teachers (preferably education background) who enjoy working and playing with children. Must be available mornings 7:00-8:30 a.m. and afternoons 2:45-5:45 p.m. \$5.75/hour. Must be available spring semester. Call Diane at 338-4087.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED DEPERATELY
Grades K-12
North Cedar Community Schools
Call (319)944-5383 or (319)944-5534 anytime between 7:30 and 3:30

HELP WANTED

RESTAURANT

THE IOWA RIVER POWER COMPANY
Now hiring full or part-time A.M. lunch and prep cooks.
Apply in person Monday - Thursday from 2-4 p.m. EOE.
501 1st Ave., Coralville

HELP WANTED

SALES

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY
\$1,000 WEEKLY STUFFING ENVELOPES AT HOME
Free Details. Rush SASE to: SPEL, Box 650069-ACC, Miami, FL 33266-0069.

MOVING? SELL UNWANTED FURNITURE IN THE DAILY IOWAN CLASSIFIEDS.

I'm looking for people persons wanting to own and earn up to \$100 to \$1000/month part-time. For more information please send name, address, home phone to: Business Opportunity, 804 E. Second Ave., Broadhead, WI 53520 or call Craig (608)897-4011.

NUTRITION & Your Health. Make money while improving your health. (800)555-3606.

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INSTRUCTION

SCUBA lessons. Eleven specialties offered. Equipment sales, service, trips. PADI open water certification in two weekends. 889-2946 or 732-2845.

SKYDIVE Lessons, tandem dives, aerial performances.
Paradise Skydives, Inc.
319-472-4975

COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID

ATTENTION All student!!! Grants and scholarships available from sponsor!!! No repayments ever. \$\$\$ cash for college \$\$\$ For info 1-800-400-0209.

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507 S. GILBERT

QUALITY FURNITURE

JEWELRY, ANTIQUARIAN BOOKS, STAINED GLASS, & THE UNUSUAL...

10-5p.m., seven days a week (between Vine & Sanctuary)

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STEREO & VCR REPAIR
Fast, affordable, experienced.
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354-9108

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TICKETS

Need: ISU, Indiana, Purdue, Michigan, Iowa B-BALL
CHICAGO BULLS B-BALL

BUY/SELL UPGRADE
Will pick-up or deliver

BUS TOURS (BULLS OR COUGARS)
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FIREWOOD

SEASONED HARDWOOD
\$65 for 1000 lbs.
(319) 645-2675

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AQUATIC DOCK PET SHOP
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337-6137

Birds, fish, reptiles etc.
Food and supplies.
Open 7 days/week

BRENNEMAN FEED & PET CENTER
Tropical fish, pets and pet supplies.
pet grooming. 1500 1st Avenue South. 338-8501.

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photographer
Dom Franco
351-8009

Specializing in publication, promotional and wedding photography

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

CASH for guitars, amps, and instruments. Gilbert St. Pawn Company, 354-7910.

RECORDS, CDS, TAPES

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COMPUTER

CASH for your Old Computers and Antiques
509 S. Gilbert, 351-0040

MAC G3 Performa, \$800 in software, 14" monitor, \$1000/o.b.o. Call 341-8003 ask for John.

SET-TOP COMPUTER, allows internet access on your TV. (515)226-1786.

USED FURNITURE

MOVING SALE: three seat sofa, three years old, \$190. Queen size bed, \$40. Cabinet, tables, and others. Call 353-3719.

OAK waterbed. Double. Bookcase headboard. Heater, liner included. Great shape. \$150/o.b.o. Scott 338-4226.

QUALITY clean, gently used household furnishings. Dressers, sofas, lamps, etc. Newest consignment shop in town "Not Necessarily Antiques." 315 1st St., Iowa City 351-6388.

USED CLOTHING

SHOP OR CONSIGN your good used clothing to THE BUDGET SHOP, 212 S. Riverside Dr., Iowa City IA. Clothing, household items, knickknacks, jewelry, book exchange. Open everyday 9-5pm. 338-3418.

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

FUTONS IN CORALVILLE
(lowest prices on the best quality)
E.D.A. Futon
behind China Garden, Coralville) 337-5556

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Let's Deal!
E.D.A. Futon
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WANT A SOFA? Desk? Table? Rocker? Visit HOUSEWORKS. We've got a store full of clean used furniture plus dishes, drapes, lamps and other household items. All at reasonable prices. Now accepting new consignments. HOUSEWORKS 111 Stevens Dr. 338-4357

MISC. FOR SALE

POOL table for sale. Good condition. \$400/OBO. 354-0977.

THE DAILY IOWAN CLASSIFIEDS MAKE CENT!!

TWO STEEL BUILDINGS, public liquidation, 40x27 was \$6450 now \$2250. 40x35 was \$6950 now \$2500. Must sell, can deliver, blueprints included. 1-800-292-0111.

MOVING

I WILL MOVE YOU COMPANY
Monday through Friday
Enclosed moving van
683-2703

WANTED TO BUY

BUYING class rings and other gold and silver. STEPHEN STAMPA & COINS, 107 S. Dubuque. 354-1186

USED MEN'S WEAR!
501 S. 50th St.
Bert's 112 S. Linn
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TOP CASH!!!

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As one of the largest independent directory publishers in the U.S., we invite you to become a part of our success. Telecom*USA has experienced 10 years of accomplishments as a leader in the industry. We need enthusiastic professionals to join our team. You'll work closely with our customers to develop effective Yellow Pages advertising programs.

WE PROVIDE:

- No travel/No weekends
- Flexible schedules
- Free downtown parking
- 40 hour work week

WE NEED:

- Excellent communication skills
- Professional demeanor
- Desire to succeed
- Enthusiasm

GENEROUS INCOME POTENTIAL
\$ Salary \$ Commissions \$ Bonuses \$
Excellent Career Growth Opportunities

You will participate in a 3-week intensive training class and become a member of our dynamic sales team with a full benefit package. To become a part of this industry leader, send your resume or stop by and complete an application.

Telecom*USA
Publishing Company

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Attn: Ms. Lawrence
201 Third Ave. S.E., Ste. 500, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401
An Equal Opportunity Employer

THE DAILY IOWAN CLASSIFIED AD BLANK

Write ad using one word per blank. Minimum ad is 10 words.

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5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24

Name _____ Zip _____
Address _____
Phone _____

Ad information: # of Days _____ Category _____
Cost: (# words) X (\$ per word) Cost covers entire time period.

1-3 days	87¢ per word (\$8.70 min.)	11-15 days	\$1.74 per word (\$17.40 min.)
4-5 days	95¢ per word (\$9.50 min.)	16-20 days	\$2.22 per word (\$22.20 min.)
6-10 days	\$1.24 per word (\$12.40 min.)	30 days	\$2.58 per word (\$25.80 min.)

NO REFUNDS. DEADLINE IS 11AM PREVIOUS WORKING DAY.

Send completed ad blank with check or money order, place ad over the phone, or stop by our office located at: 111 Communications Center, Iowa City, 52242.

Phone 335-5784 or 335-5785 Office Hours Monday -Thursday 8-5
Fax 335-6297 Friday 8-4

1993 MAZDA MX-3 GS
5 speed, V6, 36k. Sun roof, fully loaded, clean. Good on ice. \$8,900. 339-7898.

Advertise in
The Daily Iowan
IOWA CITY'S MORNING NEWSPAPER

Classifieds
335-5784 by phone
335-6297 by fax

1990 MAZDA RX-7 GXL
5 speed, 84k. Book \$9,650; sug. \$7,700/o.b.o. Must sell 354-4948.

TICKETS

Need: ISU, Indiana, Purdue, Iowa... CHICAGO BULLS B-BALL... BUY-SELL-UPGRADE... BUS TOURS (BULLS OR CUBS)...

FIREWOOD

SEASONED HARDWOOD... AQUATIC GOLF PET SHOP... PETS... AQUATIC GOLF PET SHOP... BRENNEMAN SEED & PET CENTER...

PHOTOGRAPHY

Specializing in publication, promotional and wedding photography... Dom Franco... 351-8018

STORAGE

CAROUSEL MINI-STORAGE... MINI-PRICE MINI-STORAGE... U STORE ALL... 337-3506 or 331-0578

MOVING

I WILL MOVE YOU COMPANY... 337-5029

WANTED TO BUY

BUYING class rings and other... 338-7729

SALES

RESUME

Excellent resumes, \$25... 318 1/2 E. Burlington St.

WORD PROCESSING

Word processing all kinds... 354-7822

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Communication skills... 354-7822

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CASH for your Old Computers and Peripherals... 509 S. Gilbert, 351-8000

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

VIDEO PRODUCTIONS... 337-4785

WHO DOES IT

BN-K DESIGNS, LTD. Handmade wedding engagement rings... 337-4785

HEALTH & FITNESS

MASSAGE therapy, Prevent illness, maintain health... 351-8778

MIND/BODY

IOWA CITY YOGA CENTER... 351-8778

SPRING BREAK FUN

30 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT NOW... 1-800-234-7007

GARAGE/PARKING

Garage for rent, 600' month... 339-5998

AUTO DOMESTIC

1985 Chevy Celebrity station wagon... 338-8343

AUTO FOREIGN

1987 Volvo 240DL. Runs good... 338-8343

ROOMMATE WANTED/FEMALE

Roommate wanted in nice four bedroom apartment... 354-1844

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ROOM FOR RENT

AD#308. Rooms for rent downtown... 338-6288

ROOMMATE WANTED/FEMALE

FEMALE roommate needed in four bedroom apartment... 356-6175

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TERRACE APARTMENTS... 1100 Oak Street... 351-0441

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Two bedroom, pool, underground parking... 351-0441

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Two bedroom sublet, off-street parking... 351-0441

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Four biggest networks unite in criticizing Nielsen's performance

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NEW YORK — ABC, CBS, NBC and Fox have finally found something they can agree on: They think Nielsen Media Research is doing a lousy job measuring the size of their audiences.

The four biggest television networks joined forces this week for an unusual attack on Nielsen that appears in six media trade publications.

"It's just reached a real level of frustration," said Larry Hyams, vice president for audience analysis at ABC, about what is believed to be an unprecedented attack ad.

Network grumbling about Nielsen is common, but it has been growing louder this year. TV ratings are used to set advertising rates and determine whether programs stay on the air.

The networks say Nielsen's weekly sample of 5,000 households is too small for an accurate measurement of viewers in a multi-channel world.

They also complain that the level of people providing reliable information for the sample each week is at its lowest point in a decade.

The network ad also complained about "unexplained fluctuations" in ratings. Fox and NBC, for

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Larry Hyams, vice president for audience analysis at ABC, on the networks' criticism of Nielsen Media Research

example, have threatened a lawsuit over a drop in ratings for NFL football.

General broadcast networks also complain Nielsen uses too many cable households in its sample, which would tend to depress non-cable ratings.

Sagging ratings are behind the attack, Nielsen spokesperson Jack Loftus said Tuesday. Cable television is steadily siphoning viewers from the networks, with ABC and NBC seeing their ratings drop from last year.

The networks struck back after

Nielsen recently ran a series of trade publication ads bragging "our service is up." The design of the networks' ads mimics the one placed by Nielsen.

"We're not complaining about low ratings," Hyams said. "We know the networks have lost audience and that cable has made inroads."

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Loftus noted that Nielsen increased the size of its household sample by 1,000 earlier this year — after the cable industry paid for it.

He said the networks have given

no indication that they would be willing to pay to include more families.

The company also recently hired 20 more staffers in an effort to get Nielsen families to do a better job in reporting their viewing habits, he said.

The networks' approach is not particularly helpful, he said.

"It was a positive (ad) campaign and they chose to mock it with a negative ad," Loftus said. "I guess they figured our ad campaign was getting too much visibility and was pointing out our accomplishments. I don't think they could tolerate that."



Congratulations, Winter Graduates!

<p>BRAD — Congratulations! We are very proud of you. You are "cymbally" the greatest! You looked good in your drum line band uniform, but look better in a cap and gown. Love Ya Hawkeye! Mom, Dad, Wendy, Mark, Sue, Kate, Jeff, Shannon and Everyone Else</p>	<p>James L. McCurtis, Jr. CONGRATULATIONS! Fly Butterfly, Fly, we are proud of you. God Bless you always. Love, Mom & Dad</p>	<p>CONGRATS 1996 GRADS!</p>
<p>ALAN — With all the obstacles put in your way, you persevered, accepted the challenge & MADE IT! Love, Mom</p> <p>CONGRATULATIONS LITTLE BROTHER! Laurie</p> <p>I'm so proud of you. Now it's time to get plou. IT'S FINALLY OVER! Lynn</p> <p>Congrats! We're very proud of you. Wouldn't miss this graduation for anything. Dale & Kristin</p>	<p>Dear Cyndy, You were the light of our life the day you were born and you have continued to shine all these years. We are very proud of you today and always. Love Mom & Dad</p>	<p>Paulette (Pauley), CONGRATULATIONS! We are very proud of you. Way to go! Love, Mom, Dad & 4 Sisters</p>
<p>LAURY BETHA, Congratulations on your success! We love you. Your Family</p>	<p>Christina— We are so proud of you! Love, Mama, Papa & Eric</p>	<p>Tom Condon, To become a real man, you must prove yourself brave, truthful and unselfish. You have! CONGRATULATIONS! Love, Mom & Dad</p>
<p>PAULEY, Congratulations on your graduation. You are #1! Love, your cousin, Fuad Reveiz #7</p>	<p>Denise, Congratulations — Good luck in your next college term and project. Best of luck in all you do! Love, Mom, Dave, Michael and Aunt Carol</p>	<p>"Dreams Do Come True" Congratulations! Danny Allen, we are proud of you graduating from engineering. Love, Mom, Dad, Casey & Sis</p>
<p>Mark, CONGRATULATIONS! Graduation and a new job! The world is at your feet. Love, Mom, Dad, Lisa Jeff & Joel</p>	<p>ERICA! Congratulations! We are so proud of you and as you look forward to your future and new experiences do your best, don't get discouraged and have fun. We will always be there for you! Love, Mom, Dad and Lisa</p>	<p>Suzanne Lee Minor, BSN! Has a nice ring... We love you and are so proud of you. Mom, Dad and Alissa</p>
<p>WAY TO GO, MAC! We're so proud of you! Love, Mom & Dad</p>	<p>DANNY, We are so proud of you — another giant step taken in style on your journey through life. Congratulations! Love Mom, Dad, Marcey, Mindy and Molly</p>	<p>ERIN, You are a life-saver. I respect you. I am grateful and I am proud of you. May you receive as much in life as you so generously give. Love, Mom</p>
<p>PAULEY, CONGRATULATIONS! Love, Your Sister, Elena</p>	<p>ATTENTION WORLD! STAND BACK! Carrie Michele Irwin is on her way. We applaud her hard work, dedication, perseverance and fine scholarship. Congratulations, Mom and Dad</p>	<p>Stephen, Congratulations. We are proud of you and we love you. Mom, Dad & Matthew</p>
<p>Reno's Dad is graduating!</p>	<p>SUSIE GARRY, Congratulations! We're so proud of you. You'll be a great teacher. Today is the start of the rest of your life. Love, Mom, Dad & Chrissy</p>	<p>JEFF — Congratulations. We're proud of you. GO! Love, Mom, Dad & Chris</p>
<p>TREVOR— Well Done! Congratulations from Ian, Dad, and EVERYONE. Your Mother is very proud of you.</p>	<p>Donna, Congratulations! We're so proud of you. You have made it! Love, Dad, Mom, Denise and Dixie</p>	<p>Kathleen & Marney Congratulations! We are very proud of you! Love — Mom, Dad, Pete, Sue & Kevin</p>
<p>AMY, Congratulations! You did it! We're so proud of you. Love, Mom & Dad</p>	<p>Alana, Congratulations on a fine achievement! Graduation from college! You deserve the best. Love Mom & Dad</p>	<p>JENNINE— Congratulations and Best of Luck with your new job! They're so lucky to have you. We couldn't be prouder! Love You Lots! Mom & Dad</p>
<p>Darcy — Good things do come in small packages! You should feel 6 feet tall. Love, Mom & Dad</p>	<p>DEAR JENNIFER, We send you loving congratulations for all you have achieved on this, your graduation day. You have worked so hard and we are very proud of you. We wish you all the happiness and success you deserve. With all our Love to you, Jen, Dad, Mom, Joey, Christin and Mickey</p>	<p>Matt Smentek: Congratulations! Graduation is the beginning of an exciting future. We are especially proud that you were the 1st recipient of the John Pappas Entrepreneurial Award & Scholarship. Love, Dad, Mom & Scott</p>
<p>DEBBIE— Congratulations on your graduation and new job! It's been a long 4 years. You always have our love and support. We're very proud of you! Love — Mom and Dad</p>	<p>HOLLY, Congratulations! We love you and are very proud of you. From your family, Mom, Dad, Shelly, Heidi, Mark, Nancy & family</p>	<p>DOUG, Congratulations! We knew you could do it! You have made us very proud. Love, Dad, Mom, Jeff, Gordy, Mike & Lynn</p>
<p>BRENDAN— Who would have thought such a varied a career would allow a left wing called "Thumbs" to master anything? Way to go! Masters in Mechanical Engineering. Love — Mom & Dad</p>	<p>CONGRATULATIONS BRENDAN! You've done a great job and we're so proud of you. Love, Mom, John, Sean, Kris & Kevin</p>	<p>SUZANNE, Congratulations! You've come a long way baby! Keep on climbing upward and the world will be a better place. We're proud of your achievements. Love, Mom & Dad,</p>
<p>CONGRATULATIONS DAILY IOWAN STAFFERS Best Wishes to: Matt Ericson, Mike Waller, Shari Goldberg, James McCurtis and Lea Haravon Booyah!</p>	<p>BRIAN, Congratulations on your graduation. We are so proud of you! Love Mom, Dad & Eugene</p>	<p>Jeanette, Congratulations! Graduation and a new job! You did great! We're both very proud of you. Now it's your turn to treat. Love, Mom & Dad</p>
<p>CONGRATULATIONS Liz!</p>	<p>KEVAN, Congratulations on your college graduation — after many hours of studying and hard work! All of your family are very proud of you. Love Ya! Mom, Dad & Dana</p>	<p>MELANIE, Congratulations! Having you in our lives is truly wonderful and we love you with all our hearts! HUGS! Mom, Dad, Steph and Muffin</p>
<p>CHRISTINA — You are the best! We are very proud of you. Now for some rest! Love, Mom, Jennifer, Grandma, Leigh, John, Jane & Darrell</p>	<p>AARON (#36) You give us many reasons to be proud! We love you very much! Congratulations! Mom, Tom, Laura, Matt, Grandpa, & Grandma</p>	<p>JULIE — Congratulations on getting your Masters! We are so proud of you. Love, Your Family</p>