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SPECIAL REPORT

## When HIV comes home

**November 24, 1997**  
Tony sits on an oversized couch in his two-bedroom Coralville apartment. In the living room on the west wall across from him, seven black angels hang from the entertainment center.

The abstract pieces of art vary in size, and to the artist who designed them, they aren't depressing angels of death or macabre creations that represent an absence of life.

To Tony, they are an obsession.

"I think angels are neat, and I don't particularly care for cutesy, little cherub angels," he said. "These are more angels of death, and I don't think of that as being such a bad thing. It's just a person whose going to take you from this place to another place — black is beautiful."

To Tony, they represent his life.

"These black angels represent the initial side effects of the drugs I take," he says with a laugh as he points out several of the angels. "That's who I am, a manic-depressed, bed-wetting insomniac."

To Tony, it's a life that's been chosen for him.

He is homosexual, HIV-positive and he faces death every day.

**April 14, 1984**

A "normal" life is what Tony had always dreamed of — a wife, kids, a successful career and maybe even a white picket fence.

To achieve a "socially acceptable" lifestyle, the logical thing to do was to marry his best friend Heidi, a woman he met while attending the UI. She was a French major and he an art major who hoped to be a graphic designer one day.

In a medium-sized wedding with family and close friends, Heidi and Tony exchanged nuptials in a Coralville church. "In sickness and in health, 'til death do us part."

"I think the commitment that we made still stands," Tony said.

**April 14, 1989**  
On the exact day of their fifth wedding anniversary, Heidi gave birth to the couple's first and only child — a daughter named Sarah.

It was around the time of Sarah's birth that Tony began to unleash aspects of his life that he had continually worked to repress.

"A little bit after my daughter was born was the first time that I really started having sex with men," he said.

For years, he fought off the urge to live as a homosexual man. He didn't fight alone — at times calling upon officials from his Coralville church to cast demons out of his body in hopes that he could be cured.

It didn't work.

**July 15, 1991**

On a warm Thursday night, Tony stopped at Iowa City's Free Medical Clinic to receive the results of a blood test he had taken a week before.

He had a sore throat he couldn't shake, and he considered the possibility that it might be more than just a lingering cough.

He was right.

"I had pretty much convinced myself that I would skip in, get my results, they'd be negative and I would go about my merry way," he said. "But things didn't quite happen that way."

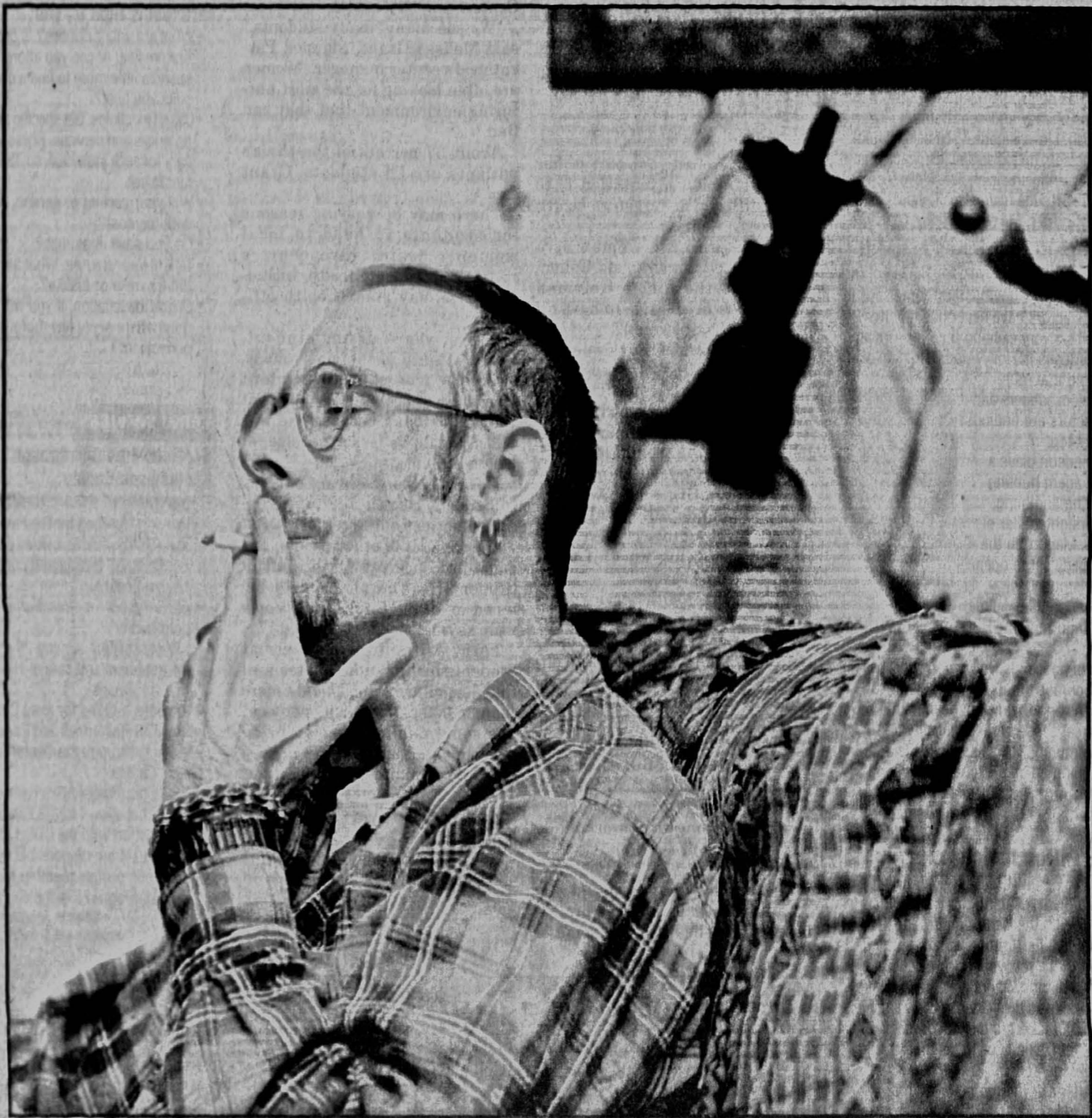
Tony immediately met with a clinic counselor who took him to a room to read the results of the test.

"She just said 'I'm afraid I don't have very good news,' and I thought, 'Oh, shit,'" Tony said.

The counselor delivered the news: Tony had tested positive for HIV, the incurable virus that causes Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome.

Instantly Tony thought of the ramifications of his HIV-positive status. He would have to go home and tell his wife that he had been

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Tony, 37, sits in his Coralville apartment. One of the black angels he created hangs over his left shoulder. The angels are his way of expressing a dark sense of humor towards having the HIV virus.

### Bio box

Name: Tony  
Age: 37

Residence: Coralville for 15 years, "I live just like anyone else, I go to work, I come home and watch TV."

Occupation: Works in telecommunications for MCI  
Marital Status: Married Nov. 24, 1996 to Mitch Orr

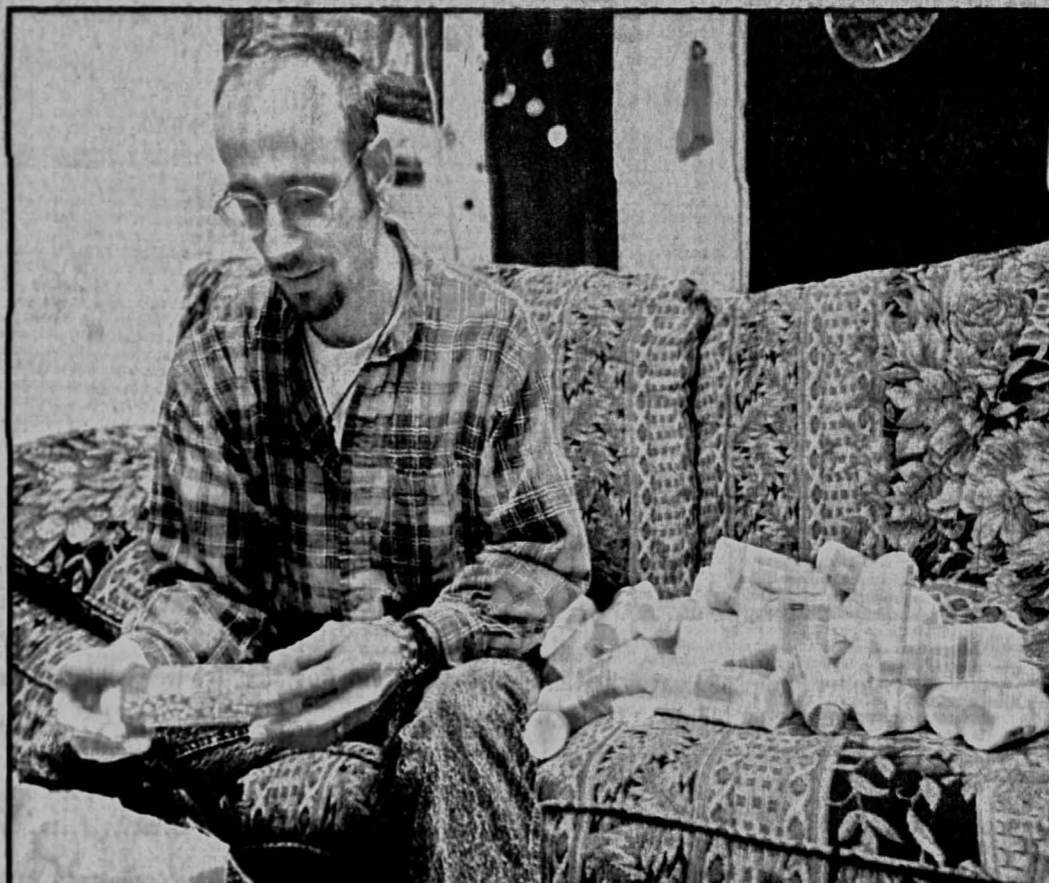
Family: Four brothers and six sisters; one daughter, Sara  
Education: An art degree from the UI

Favorite Food: Pizza

Favorite Color: Black

Health status: HIV positive for six years. His T-cell count is 560 compared to a normal count of between 600-1,200

Words of Wisdom: "You've got to look out for yourself because no one is going to do it for you."



Holding a \$1,000 worth of medication, Tony sits next to a three-month supply of pill bottles. He receives all his medication for free by participating in a study through the UI Hospitals and Clinics.

### Today's World AIDS Week events

The theme of the 10th annual World AIDS Week will be "Give Children Hope in a World With AIDS." Here are the events that have been planned for Iowa City:

- **A Day Without Art**  
Businesses and galleries will cover select pieces of art or attach red ribbons to them
- **Flags at Half-Staff**  
Flags will be lowered to half-staff in memory of those who have died from AIDS
- **17 Bells**  
At 2 p.m., area congregations will toll their bells 17 times, once for each year of the AIDS epidemic
- **Night Without Light**  
As part of a global observance, from 7:45 p.m. to 8 p.m., citizens and businesses are asked to dim their lights for 15 minutes or to light a candle in memory of those who have died from AIDS.
- **Camp Heartland, Journey of Hope**  
At 7:30 p.m. at the Union's Triangle Ballroom, young speakers will share their stories about the struggles of living with AIDS.

### The series

• **TODAY:** Tony, an Iowa City resident and UI graduate, shares his story of having the HIV virus. From battles with his sexuality to finally telling his parents he is HIV positive, Tony has had to deal with pressures he never thought possible. Also, expanded informational graphics explain how the AIDS virus affects the body and how the virus has spread over the years.

• **TUESDAY:** Children under the age of 10, each living with the AIDS virus, share stories about facing a terminal disease from a youthful perspective. The children speak tonight in the Union at 7:30.

• **WEDNESDAY:** Linda Yannay, an AIDS counselor who delivers painful news each week, and Dr. Jack Stapleton, head of the UI Hospitals and Clinics AIDS clinic, each share their work experience and outlook on battling the worldwide epidemic.

Story by Chris Gardner

Photos by Pete Thompson

### Facts

• 82% of AIDS cases in U.S. newborns are attributable to intravenous drug use.

• Worldwide, one person is infected with HIV every second.

• HIV is spreading almost six times as quickly among women as among men.

• If transmission rates hold steady, 40 million people will be living with HIV/AIDS by the year 2000.

• One U.S. teenager is infected with HIV every hour.

• 90% of adults living with HIV live in non-industrial nations.

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Tony poses in a family photo with his daughter Sarah and his partner of two-years, Mitch Orr. Tony's daughter is from his nine-year marriage to Heidi, who is still his best friend.

## Adopting Haiti's smallest AIDS victims

Children with AIDS are doomed to die early in Haiti.

By Michelle Faul  
Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — They jump rope, beat out a hypnotic Haitian rhythm on a plastic beach bucket and swing, lustily, out of tune.

The children at Rainbow House don't know they were born to the poorest of the poor in Haiti, and are heirs to the AIDS disease that killed their mothers.

"Welcome, Baby Jesus," Sherlene Telusma, 7, lisps through a broken tooth, practicing a Christmas carol.

Haitian accountant Robert Penette and his Canadian wife, Danielle Reid

**Sherlene knows that an illness killed her mother. But she doesn't know that she is infected with the same virus. And she doesn't know that it will kill her.**

Danielle Penette  
Owner of Rainbow House

Penette, have taken in as many HIV-infected orphans as they can afford. At the moment that's 17, with Sherlene the oldest and the youngest 14 months old.

Prior to World AIDS Day today, Haiti's Ministry of Public Health

announced that nearly every second child among an estimated 6,000 to 8,000 living on the streets of Port-au-Prince — seven out of 15 — was infected with the AIDS virus.

Four thousand newborns were HIV-positive in 1995, according to a new study from the National Strategic Plan for the Prevention and Control of AIDS. In all, more than 25,000 children under the age of 15 will be orphaned within two years because of the AIDS epidemic in Haiti.

Rainbow House is a light, airy home, with the alphabet adorning the wall of a classroom and rag dolls in the girls' bedroom, in the Boutillier hilltop suburb where breezes cool the tropical heat.

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Sherlene Telusma, 7, an orphan with the HIV virus, resides at the Rainbow House in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

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State & Nation

# Holiday bargain-hunting frenzy

Shoppers jam stores, but many are looking only for cheap prices.

By Rachel Beck  
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Shoppers packed the nation's stores and malls in the first days of the holiday buying season, but many went straight for sale racks and bought only when the price was right. Stores that offered deep discounts and low prices fared best over the Thanksgiving weekend, retailers said Sunday.

"Christmas time is no different than the rest of the year," said Kurt Barnard, a retail consultant and president of Barnard's Retail Trend Report. "Shoppers want to get more for their money so they favor stores that offer the best prices."

Despite mediocre sales for much of this year, retailers are optimistic about this Christmas season. But many are finding they must go to great lengths to lure in shoppers.

Many stores unlocked their doors before dawn Friday, while others stayed open 24 hours a day. Some offered extra discounts to early morning arrivals — as much as 50 percent.

Discounters and moderately priced department stores like Wal-Mart, Target and Sears drew in flocks of consumers with special promotions, good prices and wide selections of merchandise.

"The big deals offered early Friday drove in shoppers," said Ken Volk, marketing director for mall



Michael S. Green/Associated Press

Handlers move a balloon of Rudolph the Red-Nosed-Reindeer down a foggy Michigan Avenue, during the annual Kid's Holiday Parade in Chicago Saturday.

developer Simon DeBartolo Group in the New York City area. "We had hundreds of people on line at many of our malls before 7 a.m."

But, he added, that they "didn't see that same early rush on Saturday."

Many stores reported slower sales as the weekend progressed, with more people browsing than buying. Shoppers used to make most of their holiday purchases over Thanksgiving weekend, but now more favor the days before Christmas, when stores slash prices to clear out inventories.

"The stores were crowded, but we didn't see people carrying two or three shopping bags," said John Konarski, vice president of research at the International Council of Shopping Centers, a New York-based trade group. "Many shoppers use this weekend to look for gifts and wait to buy until right before Christmas."

For many stores, the trend toward a later shopping season is worrisome following a less-than-stellar 1997 and disappointments the last two holiday seasons. Retailers count on the holidays for about half their annual sales and profits.

The slow Thanksgiving weekend was especially damaging to apparel merchants that also had a disappointing fall season, like Ann Taylor and Talbots.

Still, buyers were seen streaming out of stores this weekend with bags stuffed full of gifts as well as things for themselves. But many of them were taking full advantage of discounts, meaning smaller receipts for the stores.

Toy stores were packed with shoppers trying to get first crack at the popular holiday picks. Big lines, some running 500 people long, formed at Toys R Us for discounts early Friday.

After the Tickle Me Elmo mania a year ago, many crazed parents wanted to fill their children's wish lists early in the season. Sesame Street dolls including Sing & Snore Ernie were selling well, as were Barbie dolls, Microsoft's Actimates Barney and virtual pets.

Also doing well were sales of jewelry, perfume and cosmetics. After a slow 1996 season, there was some buying of electronics, like big-screen televisions, stereos and camcorders.

# Post-turkey holiday shoppers flock to I.C. malls this weekend

Much to the delight of some area merchants, local shoppers turned out in droves this weekend, kicking off holiday spending festivities.

By Jeff Clayton  
The Daily Iowan

Anyone searching for the "Sleep and Snore Ernie" doll beware — the Sesame Street character is difficult to find this holiday season.

"We've been sold out for three weeks," said Brooke Willey, store manager of the Coralville Target, 2050 Eighth St. Willey said it was up to the manufacturer whether the store would receive more.

Area residents said that Thanksgiving weekend, the traditional start of the holiday shopping season, was a mixed bag as shoppers braved crowds seeking hard-to-find items, such as Ernie. Merchants said business ranged from booming to bleak.

Despite being sold out of Ernie, Willey said the store did more business than last year at this time, especially with customers shopping for tree trimmings and Christmas decorations.

"We attribute it to the warmer weather," Willey said.

Becky Hansen, manager of Sam Goody in the Old Capitol Mall, said traffic was steady at the store.

"It seemed busier last year," she said.

Music by Chumbawamba and Matchbox 20 continue to be big sellers, but not Tupac Shakur's latest release, *R U Still Down? Remember Me*, which came out Nov. 25.

"(Tupac's) doing well, but not what I anticipated," Hansen said.

"It's not as big as his last album." The Thanksgiving weekend had the biggest sales for the calendar kiosk so far, said Michael Drwiga, manager of Calendar Club. He expects this year to be a big year for shopping.

"Friday was terrific," said Drwiga. "We had a tidal wave of customers."

"Last year wasn't as good as 1995. That is what I heard," he said. "(Merchants are) hoping it will be like 1995."

Angie Johnson, assistant manager of The Buckle in the Old Capitol Mall, said traffic was relatively high.

"It was fun watching families starting their Christmas shopping and getting into the holiday spirit," she said.

Name brands such as Fubu, Lucky, Tommy Hilfiger and Legend have been big this holiday season, Johnson said.

"Flare jeans are in," she said.

Iowa City resident Amanda Cox said she fought the crowds shopping in Davenport.

"It was really, really crowded," Cox said. "It was hard shopping and getting around. Shopping in Old Capitol was much easier."

Susan Haines of Winfield said she started her shopping journey at 7 a.m. to beat the crowds, but said shopping was less difficult than last year.

"I don't think it is crowded at all," Haines said.

Patrons wishing for a photo on Santa's lap were also hard to come by, said Olivia Butikofer, assistant manager of Santa Plus.

"The mall in general was pretty slow," she said. "(Compared with) what the mall gets in business, we do good. But (it's) still pretty slow."

Business is better than last year, and Butikofer expects it to increase as it gets closer to Christmas.

Kirk Smith, manager and co-owner of Flying Designs, said he expected business to be good, and it was. Generally, the store gets busier as the holiday season approaches and shoppers search for last-minute gift items.

"Shoppers say, 'Look at that weird little store, let's go in here,'" Smith said.

Smith said the biggest seller seems to be juggling items.

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Sensar Inc., a New Jersey-based company, is preparing to offer eye-scanning to ATM manufacturers as an alternative to passwords and PINs for automatic teller machines.

It plans to unveil the system publicly at the Banking Administration Institute's conference in New Orleans on Dec. 3.

The system works like this: when a customer puts in a bank card, a stereo camera locates the face, finds the eye and takes a digital image of the iris at a distance of up to three feet.

The resulting computerized "iris code" is compared with one the customer will initially provide the bank. The ATM won't work if the two codes don't match.

### washington

**U.S., U.N. toning down rhetoric on Iraq, hint at food-for-oil increase**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Top U.S. and U.N. officials toned down their angry rhetoric against Baghdad on Sunday, speaking not of air strikes or Iraqi "human shields" but of using diplomacy to resolve a dispute with Saddam Hussein over weapons inspections and of easing hunger in Iraq.

As Iraqi demonstrators accused the West of starving Iraq's children, Ambassador Bill Richardson, the U.S. envoy to the United Nations, and U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan both voiced a willingness to improve the flow of food and medicine to Baghdad as soon as this week.

The powerful U.S. force on patrol in the Gulf will remain as long as President Clinton considers it necessary, Richardson said. But he also made it clear that the U.S. priority is keeping the dispute on a diplomatic level, even if it means putting up with temporary Iraqi obstructionism.

Richardson said the Clinton administration is willing to consider boosting the food and medicine flowing to Iraq through a program that allows the Baghdad government to sell oil for

humanitarian supplies.

**Top expert says U.S. plan inadequate, as 'warmest' year nears end**

KYOTO, Japan (AP) — The chief scientist responsible for alerting the world to global warming said Sunday the Clinton administration's intentions may be good, but its ideas for dealing with the threat fall short of what's needed.

The Swedish climate scientist, Bert Bolin, in an interview on the eve of final negotiations for an international accord to combat global warming, also noted that British climatologists last week projected 1997 will end up as the planet's warmest year in more than a century of record-keeping, outdoing 1995.

These are the kind of data Bolin and his colleagues use in pressing their case that climate change is imminent.

Carbon dioxide and other "greenhouse" gases accumulating in the atmosphere allow sunlight through but trap heat that Earth emits back toward space.

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change assessment projected that continued emissions at current rates would raise average temperatures by up to 6 degrees Fahrenheit by 2100, disrupting climate patterns and raising ocean levels up to three feet through heat expansion.

Their findings spurred governments to try to negotiate legally binding reductions in greenhouse gas emissions by industrial nations. The targets are to be incorporated in a protocol to the 1992 Climate Change Treaty.



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## HAIANS/A home for orphans

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Still, Sherlene was worried. "She kept asking who was going to take care of her mother. And, 'What's maman going to do for food?'" said Danielle Penette, who is from Montreal.

For nearly a year before she came here, Sherlene, then 5, was the sole provider for her mother and an older brother, begging all day on the streets of Port-au-Prince for pennies to buy some rice and beans to take home in the evening.

A neighbor brought her to Rainbow House when her mother became terminally ill.

At first, "she was like a caged bird. Angry that she couldn't go out on the street when she wanted, unused to the discipline we impose," said Danielle Penette.

Sherlene is happier since she started school in October. "I'm learning to write in a notebook, and we draw a lot and sing. I love singing," she says, the braids on her head bobbing as she broke into song.

"Sherlene knows that an illness killed her mother. But she doesn't know that she is infected with the same virus. And she doesn't know that it will kill her," said Danielle Penette.

Some of the children have already died since the Penettes opened the home two years ago, and several others suffering full-blown AIDS are very listless.

Advances in AIDS treatment that have helped contain the disease in the West are only available to the rich in Haiti.

"We don't have the money to give any AIDS treatment to the children. All we can do is treat the opportunistic ailments that attack them because their immune systems are weak. They suffer a lot of diarrhea and skin infections," Robert Penette said. A doctor friend treats the children free of charge.

Sherlene has scars on her stomach from shingles, a skin disease, and scratches often at sores on her arms.

Most Haitian children infected like Sherlene probably will die on the streets where they live, Robert Penette said.

According to the National Strategic Plan study, nearly 101,400 new AIDS cases were reported this year — for a total of nearly 324,700 cases in all. Just three years ago, there were only 5,000 cases of full-blown AIDS reported in Haiti.

Those figures are "just the tip of the iceberg," according to Robert Penette.

In a country with abominable health care, most cases go unreported, he said. And many Haitians still believe that people who die of AIDS are the victims of black magic.

The Caribbean has the second highest HIV-infection rates in the world, surpassed only by sub-Saharan Africa.



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# Shoppers weekend

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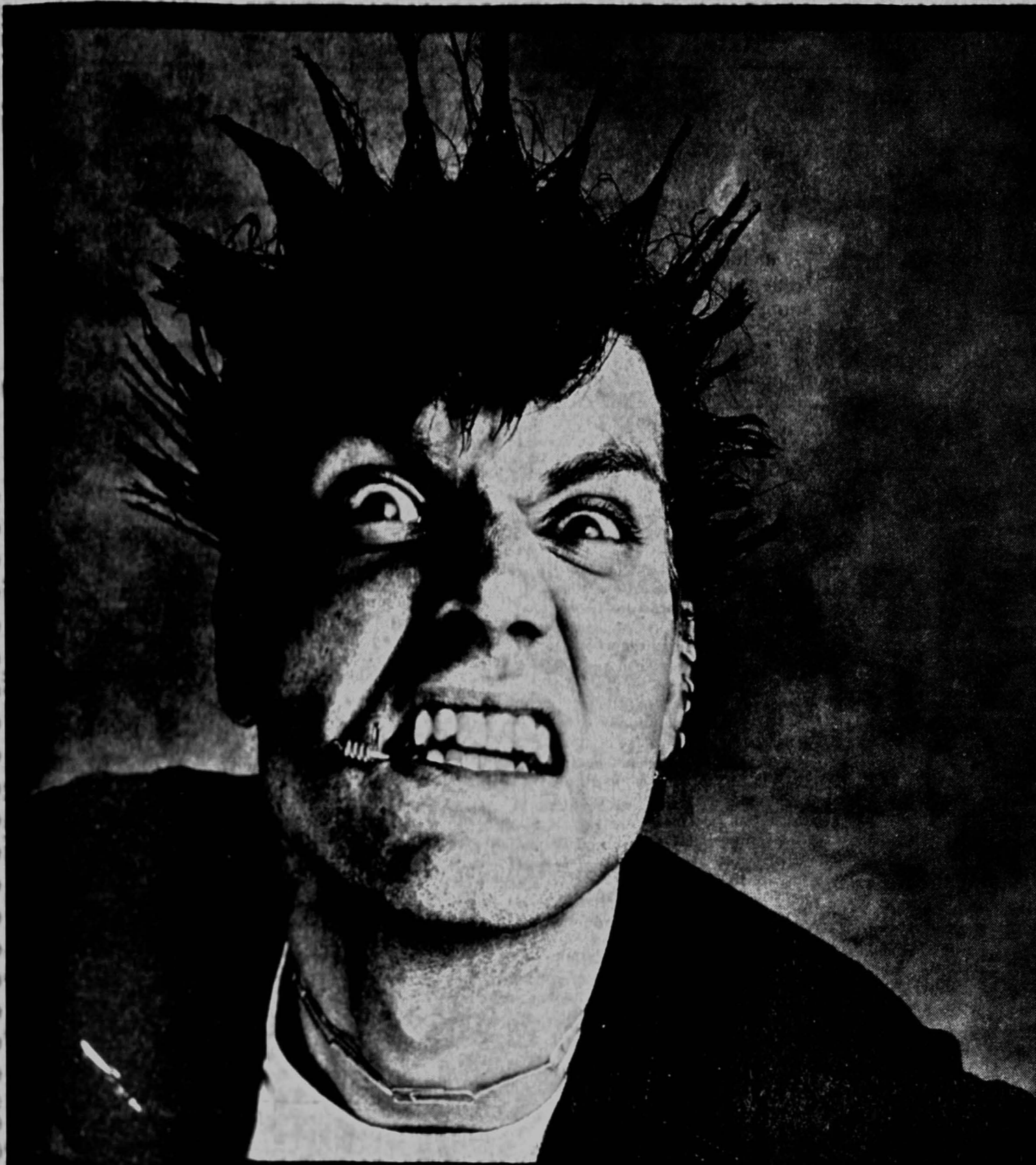
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## Viewpoints

### The great tree controversy

The Christmas tree stands handsomely beside the old fountain on the Pedestrian Mall, placed there and adorned and lighted by the Iowa City Downtown Association and Old Capitol Mall. It was put up and decorated despite a few rumblings that it is exclusively Christian.

To Iowa Citian David Dawson, for one, it's nothing of the sort, he said at the kickoff event: "It's a spirit of hope and well-being. People are gathering for the spirit of it. There are no divisions."

Clearly, a creche would be out of place in this location and offensive. So would a cross, or a star of Bethlehem. These are emotionally fraught religious symbols, which specifically honor the Christian man-God's birth, even though their origins go way back. Our *Homo erectus* forerunners may have had a rudimentary religion half a million years ago, and we can assume that our Neanderthal cousins 50,000 years ago and our Ice Age ancestors 25,000 years ago, when they welcomed the beginning of longer days, as we do, would have incorporated the momentous occasion into their religious beliefs.

Unfortunately, some symbols have been connected for so long with a religion which has inflicted such atrocities on innocent victims over the centuries that non-Christians, especially Jews, who suffered most and longest, would react negatively to them.

Indeed, we secular humanists have suffered the slings and arrows of belligerent Christians, although more recently and less acutely. But how can we or anyone else read religious significance into fragrant conifers whose nonsectarian colored lights and glittering decorations simply herald the passing of the winter solstice?

Some Christians have done so and still do. They argue that Christian rites and myths have pagan roots, and this is true though not necessarily bad. In Puritan England, all Christmas observances were rigorously banned and malefactors who flouted the law were severely penalized.

Jehovah's Witnesses even now denounce the day. They object so strongly that when the producer of "Smudge," a television special about an orphaned puppy, gave the show a Christmas twist, the three identical puppies which were to have taken turns playing the title role were withdrawn from the cast because, their owners informed animal trainer Gary Jackson, Jehovah's Witness puppies could not participate in a pagan undertaking.

An odd and striking illustration of passionate Christmas phobia is described in "Father and



Betty McCollister

Son," Edmund Gosse's affecting memoir of growing up as a lonely only child in his widowed father's gloomy home. The Rev. Philip Gosse belonged to the grimly Calvinistic sect known as Plymouth Brethren. The father, wrote his son, "on the subject of all the feasts of the church held views of an almost grotesque peculiarity. He looked upon each of them as nugatory and worthless, but the keeping of Christmas appeared to him by far the most hateful, and nothing less than an act of idolatry. The very word is Popish," he used to exclaim, "Christ's Mass," pursing up his lips with the gesture of one who tastes asafetida by accident. Then he would adduce the antiquity of the so-called feast, adapted from horrible heathen rites, and itself a soiled relic of the abominable Yuletide."

This same Philip Gosse was his doomed attempt to reconcile biology and the Bible. Gosse, like so many Victorian clergymen, was a first-class amateur naturalist whose observant eyes spotted obvious indications in rocks and fossils that the earth was older, much older, than the generally accepted 6000 years. After prolonged grappling with the discrepancies between evidence in the natural world and a literal reading of Genesis as history and science, he came up with what he fancied was the solution. He triumphantly published his "Omphalos," the Greek word for navel, which expounded the hypothesis that God had created Adam and Eve with navels so they would appear to have been born in the usual way, although they hadn't. In the same duplicitous manner, God had created rocks and fossils which looked ancient even though they had in fact been brought forth by divine fiat at the same time as Adam and Eve and everything else. This resolution drew much ridicule from both sides but is still accepted by a few creationists.

But for most of us, religion's pagan origins simply demonstrate our common humanity. Can't we conclude that trees are not religious emblems but things of beauty for all to enjoy? That at this time of year, of all times, rather than snipe at each other, we can feel good will to all?

Sunita Nagendra, a university student who is a Hindu, expressed it nicely: "I think it's something everyone can share as long as people understand (Christianity) isn't the only religion."

Betty McCollister's column appears Mondays on the Viewpoints pages.

### Letters to the Editor

#### City leaders wrong on banning tree

To the Editor,  
Kudos to Kristen Beardsley!! It is very encouraging to find someone else in Iowa City who feels that the leaders on our City Council are too concerned with an overdeveloped sense of p.c. garbage to allow for common sense to guide their decision making.

To Councilors Kubby, Norton and Mayor Naomi Novick, you should be truly ashamed.

For being representative of what is supposedly one of the "most enlightened" cities in America, you certainly are able to make Iowa City truly a depressing place to live.

Councilors, you could have easily solved this non-issue very quickly if you had thought about one thing: If having a Christmas tree in the Pedestrian Mall could be "unconstitutional", why then is there a National Christmas tree on the Ellipse in Washington, D.C., that the president lights every year?

Oh yes, I forgot, our City Council is simply protecting us from being offended. Heaven forbid there be a Christmas tree downtown that is a symbol of a time of year, of family and of love. But my elected representatives think that I'm going to be offended by that.

Thanks a lot Councilors Kubby, Norton and Mayor Novick. Rest assured come time when you run for re-election I'll protect myself from having leaders like yourself. Beardsley is right.

The next election can't come soon

enough. Then again, maybe the best Christmas present you can give Iowa City is to resign.

Todd Versteegh  
College Republicans

#### Religious icons don't belong on city space

To the Editor:  
Kristen Beardsley's curt dismissal of Karen Kubby and Mayor Naomi Novick's objections to the placement of a Christmas tree on city property says much more about Beardsley's youth, immaturity and ignorance of history than these elected officials' alleged "political correctness."

There was a time in this country — in my lifetime, in fact — when there were (Christian) prayers in public schools, when creches, crosses and more commercial Christmas displays commonly graced public grounds and buildings, and nary a soul objected to them. In my PUBLIC high school in Omaha, Neb., I participated each Christmas in a dramatic spectacle staged in the high school auditorium. The program consisted of a one-act Christian morality play centered on a Christmas theme (nothing cheesy here — they were usually by well-respected British playwrights and poets), followed by a "living" nativity scene: actors miming the birth of the Christ child with resplendently dressed wise

men, shepherds and angels adoring — all the while the massed high school choirs singing religious carols and thundering Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" at the close.

The assemblies were held during the day, and attendance was mandatory for all students. All through the sixties and into the seventies. I kid you not. No one objected. No one dared.

Dennis Smith  
Iowa City resident

#### Council should deal with important issues

To the Editor:  
I just read the article concerning Karen Kubby's protest about the Christmas tree, and it made me wonder why the City Council was wasting time on such a frivolous issue. I mean its a decorated tree.

It's not like it's a permanent monument made of stone. It's a tree with a few lights. What exactly is the big deal here? And why would a tree with a few pretty lights make people feel unwelcome? Look at New York City. The people there have a huge Christmas tree every year and the people who live there aren't throwing a fit, even though New York probably represents more religions than Iowa City.

Basically I think it is silly to waste time and money on an issue that really isn't a issue. It's the holidays after all. Aren't we all supposed to be merry and maybe chill out a little bit?

Sherri Angell  
Iowa City resident

### COMMUNITY INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN NCAA REVIEW OF ATHLETICS

As part of the evaluation of the University's athletic programs (part of the NCAA certification process), an open interview is scheduled with the NCAA Peer Reviewers Tuesday, December 2, 4-5:00 p.m. in the Carver-Hawkeye Arena Iowa/Big Ten Room. Comments from the University community are important to this process.

Athletics certification was approved at the 1993 NCAA convention as a key part of the NCAA's reform agenda. It is meant to ensure the NCAA's commitment to integrity in intercollegiate athletics.

This team of peer reviewers will conduct interviews on campus and will make recommendations to the NCAA Committee on Athletics Certification, which will make a final decision on certification.

### Letters to the Editor

#### Americans don't understand value of computer technology

To the Editor,  
I found your opinion article about technology convincing to the point of truth. When I posed for the Apple advertisement for *The Daily Iowan*, I realized that I mentioned computer in my dialogue. I was asked to explain what it is. I could not think that many would fully understand what a computer is (except for the computer geeks like me). But after I explained it, it was still not understood. A compiler is not that hard to comprehend.

It really does appear that many are using the "three of thousands of functions." It just seems that that individuals today are abusing the technology given, rather than merely "using" it to browse the Web and for e-mailing. It is rather sad that many people spend all that money and time for such mealy purposes.

I am not chastising the American society and its attitude toward technology. I am rather expressing my disappointment towards the people and how they show their appreciation for technology these days.

Computer technology is not expanded solely for profit. It is for the evolution of how we process and run our lives as well. I would not want to be back in the old days when it would take weeks for a letter to be sent. Technology doubles every 18 months. That is fast compared to other advancements. But humans as a whole, are advancing as well. It was the human mind that got us this far. No alien came and gave it all to us. We as a whole have the responsibility to learn and open our eyes to the world of computers.

Lan-Phuong Bui  
UI sophomore

#### Changing United States' role overseas begins with U.N.

To the Editor:  
Although David Hogberg's opinions (*DI*, 11/20) on the United States' world policing role are rooted in well-founded concerns about the dangers of Saddam Hussein's leadership, this universally popular image of America as a defender-of-the-free-world in effect gives the world more cause to fear such dictators.

It allows such dictators to promote the United States as the ruthless, evil invader, thus spreading the America-bashing that we see from the general populace in Iraq and elsewhere.

If America were to put its military might (and its monetary dues) behind the United Nations so that the U.N. could establish a permanent constabulary and standby force, dictatorships such as that in Iraq would no longer have a scapegoat to lend some credence to the wills of their dictators; instead, it would be obvious that the world was unanimous in condemning their actions, that the world will not tolerate such abuses of power.

The United Nations may be impotent at present, as Hogberg suggests. If it is, it is up to the citizens of America to join the majority of the world's citizens in making the United Nations strong.

A strong America dealing with world problems only exacerbates them. American troops are only at risk if America decided to act unilaterally.

The United Nations is not short of volunteer forces from its member nations, but it could sure use the mighty dollar and maybe our weapons of mass destruction.

Denise Watkins  
Iowa City resident  
Johnson County Chapter, UNA-USA

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

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by Scott Adams

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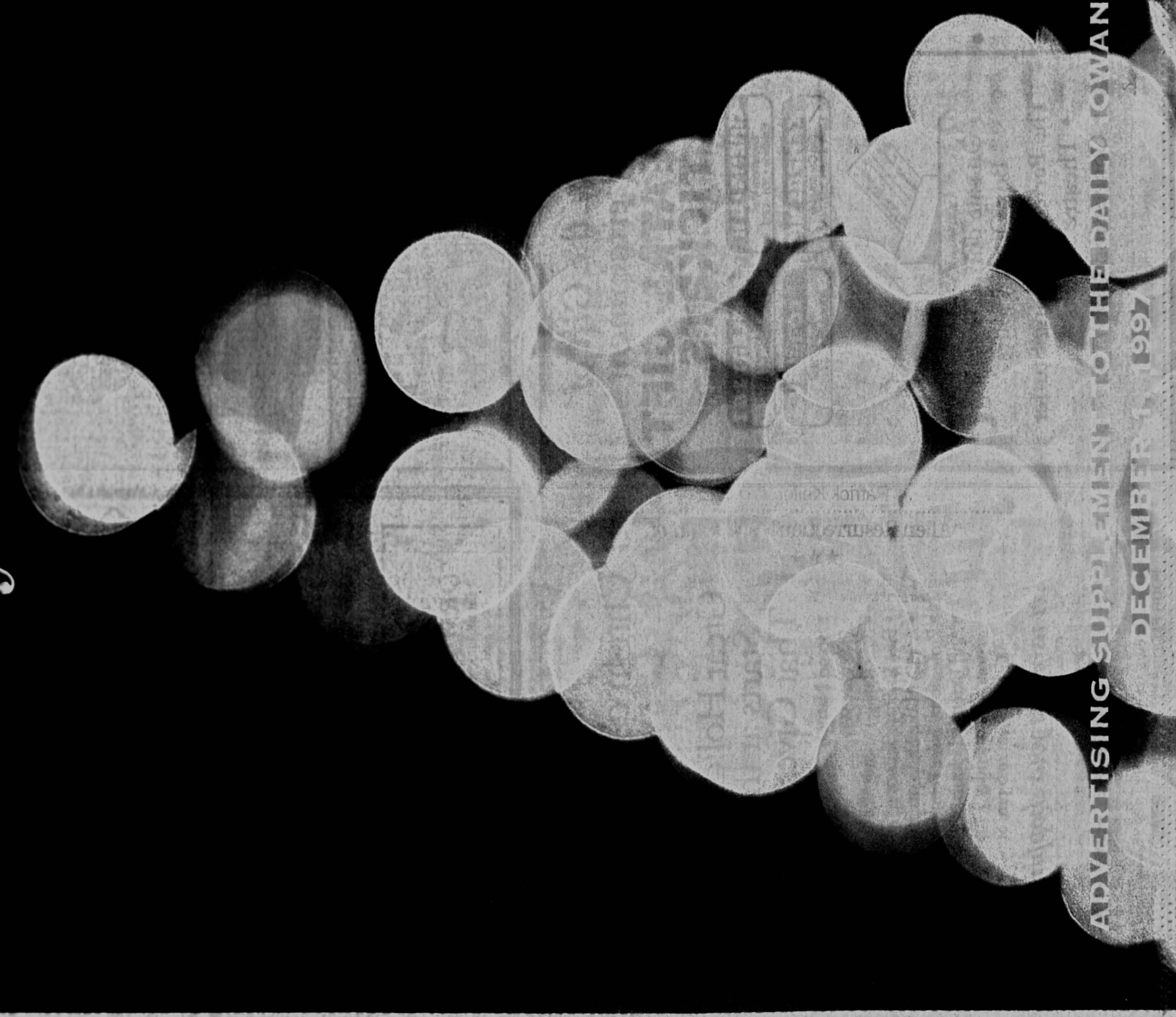
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1 pkg. lemon jello  
1 1/2 c. boiling water (drained)  
1 c. miniature marshmallows  
1 c. heavy cream (2)  
2 T. vinegar  
2 T. sugar  
1 c. apple (unpeeled, diced)  
1 envelope Dream Whip

**Enchilada Pie**

1 can cream of mushroom soup  
1 lb. hamburger  
1 medium onion  
1 can cream of chicken soup  
2 soup cans of milk  
1 small can chopped green chilies  
1 small can chopped red chilies  
1/2 to 3/4 lb. Colby or American cheese  
1 pkg. frozen tortillas  
Mix together and heat in saucepan, milk, and HOT, then use only red!

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3 large potatoes (cut in 1 inch cubes)  
4 carrots (cut in 1 in pieces)  
3 stalks celery (1 inch pieces)

About 2 onions (cut up)  
1 c. tomato juice or sauce  
1 tsp. salt  
1 tsp. sugar  
2 T. tapioca

Mix vegetables together. Combine juice, salt, sugar and tapioca; pour over stew. Bake at 300° for 5 hours.

...no peeking!

**Banana-Chocolate Chip Bars**

3/4 c. oil  
1 c. sugar  
2 eggs  
1 1/2 c. flour  
1/2 t. soda  
1 t. salt

1/4 t. nutmeg  
3/4 t. cinnamon  
1 c. mashed bananas  
1 3/4 c. quick cooking oatmeal  
1 pkg. chocolate chips

Cream oil, sugar & eggs. Add dry ingredients; add alternately to creamed mixture with bananas. Stir in rolled oats & chocolate chips. Bake at 350° for 30-35 min or until tests done.

**Holiday Peanut Cake**

1 1/2 c. brown sugar  
1/2 c. butter  
3 eggs  
1/2 c. milk

2 c. flour (sifted)  
1 tsp. soda  
1 tsp. vanilla  
Peanuts (grind about 2 lbs.)

Beat together brown sugar, butter, and eggs. Sift flour and soda. Add alternately with milk. Add vanilla. Bake in large pan at 350°. Allow cake to cool thoroughly. Cut into small bars. Frost bars on all sides with confectioners' frosting. Roll in ground peanuts.

**Bean Roundup**

1 can butter beans  
1 can pork and beans  
1 can kidney beans  
1 lb. hamburger (fry, season to taste)

1 tsp. dry mustard  
3/4 c. brown sugar  
2 T. vinegar  
1/2 c. catsup

Fry hamburger; stir in beans and other ingredients. Put in casserole and bake at 350° for 30 minutes.

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2 lb. stew beef (cut in 1 inch cubes)  
3 large potatoes (cut up)  
1 c. tomato juice or sauce  
1 tsp. salt  
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## Enchilada Pie

1 can cream of mushroom soup  
1 can cream of chicken soup  
2 soup cans of milk  
1/2 to 3/4 lb. Colby or American cheese  
1 pkg. frozen tortillas

1 lb. hamburger  
1 medium onion  
1 small can chopped green chilies  
1 small can chopped red chilies  
(1/2 can each unless you like it HOT, then use only red)

Mix together and heat in saucepan: soup, milk, and chilies. Put a layer of six tortillas in 9x13 inch pan. Fry hamburger and layer 1/2 meat on tortillas, then a layer of onion, layer of cheese, and half of soup mixture. Repeat and top with rest of soup. Bake at 350° for 30 minutes or until it bubbles.

## Yuletide Salad

1 pkg. lemon Jello  
1 1/2 c. boiling water or fruit juice  
2 T. vinegar  
2 T. sugar  
1 c. apple (unpeeled, diced)

1 c. crushed pineapple (drained)  
1 c. miniature marshmallows  
1 c. heavy cream or 1 envelope Dream Whip

Dissolve Jello in hot water or fruit juice; add vinegar and sugar.  
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3 egg yolks  
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1/2 tsp. cream of tartar

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2 c. flour  
3 tsp. baking powder

1/4 tsp. salt  
3 c. raw cranberries  
1 c. milk

Hot Butter Sauce:  
1 c. sugar  
1 T. flour  
1/2 c. butter  
1/2 c. cream  
1 tsp. vinegar  
1 tsp. vanilla

Mix sugar and flour in a heavy pan or double boiler. Add butter, cream, and vinegar. Cook until sugar is dissolved and mixture is bubbly. Stir constantly. Take off heat and add the vanilla. Serve hot over each serving of Christmas Cranberry Dessert.

**Mushroom Almond Rice**

1 c. onion (chopped)  
2 T. butter  
1 c. long-grain (not instant) rice (uncooked)  
2 c. beef bouillon

1/4 tsp. pepper  
1/2 c. sliced almonds  
1 can (4 oz.) mushrooms and liquid  
2 T. butter

Cook onion in 2 tablespoons butter till tender. Add rice; cook till brown. Add remaining ingredients and cook till tender. If using fresh mushrooms, cook them with the onions.

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**Mushroom Almond Rice**  
 1 c. onion (chopped)  
 2 T. butter  
 1/2 c. sliced almonds  
 1 can (4 oz.) mushrooms  
 1 c. long-grain (not instant) rice (uncooked)  
 2 c. beef bouillon and liquid

**Christmas Cranberry Dessert**  
 1/4 tsp. salt  
 3 T. butter  
 1 c. sugar  
 2 c. flour  
 1 c. milk  
 3 c. raw cranberries  
 Cream butter and sugar. Add remaining ingredients, except cranberries. Mix thoroughly. Fold in whole cranberries. Spread butter in greased 9 or 9 inch pan. Bake a good 45 to 60 minutes at 350°.

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 salt  
 pepper  
 3/4 c. cheese (grated) gr Cheez Whiz

1 can crab meat  
 1/2 c. fresh crumbs  
 3 egg yolks  
 3 egg whites  
 1/2 tsp. cream of tartar

Make white sauce of first three ingredients. Add salt and pepper. Add cheese, crumbs, slightly beaten egg yolks and crab meat. Beat egg whites with cream of tartar. Fold together gently. Bake in greased casserole at 325° for 55 minutes.

**Holiday Punch** From the kitchen of Cathy Witt



2 1/2 quarts cider  
 1 pint cranberry juice  
 1 tsp. allspice

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 1 orange - sliced  
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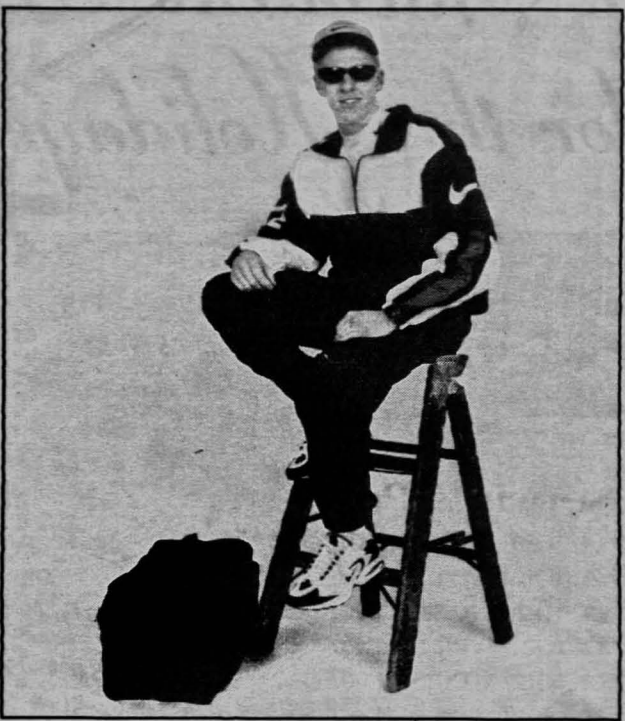
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**TODAY**

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Freshman Ricky Davis makes his starting debut for the No. 10 Hawkeyes tonight against Drake. Davis, the team's second leading scorer, will replace Darryl Moore at first base. See story, Page 1B.



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Danelle Harringa

The flag on top of the Old Capitol will fly at half-staff today in memory of Duane L. Harringa, 26, a UI industrial engineering student, who died Nov. 23.

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**Hot Cranberry Punch**

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- 2 T. whole allspice

In the bottom of the coffee maker add:

- 1/2 c. brown sugar
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. red food coloring
- 2 cans (2B oz.) unsweetened pineapple juice
- 4 bottles cranberry juice cocktail

Plug in and let complete cycle. Gin or vodka may be added before serving.

**Chili**

1 1/2 lb. ground beef  
1 medium onion (chopped)  
salt  
pepper  
2/3 cans (46 oz.) tomato juice

2 cans stewed tomatoes  
2 cans chili beans with gravy  
1 T. sugar  
1 to 2 jars sliced mushrooms  
chili powder (to taste)

Brown meat and onions. Four off excess fat. Add tomato juice, tomatoes, beans, sugar, salt and pepper. Simmer. About 1/2 hour before serving, add mushrooms. The longer it simmers, the better (at least 1 1/2 hours--stir occasionally.) Garnish with shredded cheddar cheese, sour cream or jalapenos.

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