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Sales-tax fight comes to head today



By Steven Cook
The Daily Iowan

A pro-and-con look at the proposal, **Page 6A**
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A county official predicts a strong turnout for today's vote.

As Johnson County voters head to the polls today to decide on the local-option sales tax, both sides of the debate say the election is still up for grabs. Anti-tax advocates are confident that their side will prevail, said Pat Hughes, president of the Iowa City Federation of Labor. "We've done everything we need to do already. All that's left to do is celebrate, gather our signs and our work is done," Hughes said Monday. However, Jesse Singerman, the co-chairman of the pro-tax group Local Options, Local Opportunities, said the tax will pass if the group's campaign has reached enough people. "Our message is simple: We believe

the sales tax is a reasonable way to fund these projects. And we believe if you support the projects, you should vote yes," Singerman said. Voters will decide whether to raise the tax from 5 percent to 6 percent. The extra 1 percent, which could generate more than \$9 million annually for the county, would go to local governments and take effect on July 1. The pro-tax side argues that the projects on the ballot — such as library expansion and construction of a cultural center — outweigh any risks or disadvantages of the tax. However, the anti-tax side contends that the tax is regressive and affects the poor by taking a greater percent-

age of their income. Other funds can be found to pay for the projects, they say. Local Options, Local Opportunities has spent \$6,000 to \$7,000 on its campaign, purchasing radio ads, brochures, yard signs and stickers, group co-chairman Tom Gelman said. The Federation of Labor has spent about \$600 on mailings to its members, Hughes said. The federation is also using many yard signs used last year to help defeat a local-option sales tax in Cedar Rapids. CAUSE, another local anti-tax group, has spent about \$500, said its president, Michael Thayer. Tax issues usually bring out more voters than regular ballot issues or elections, Johnson County Auditor Tom Slockett said. However, having only one issue on the ballot could

dampen the turnout, he added. "With many items, it's more likely one will interest a voter enough to get them to vote," Slockett said. Early voting has drawn more than 5 percent of voters, and Slockett said that should translate into a turnout significantly greater than the 1987 Johnson County tax vote, in which 16.1 percent turned out and the proposal was defeated. "It's clear we're going to have a good turnout," he said. "The weather forecast is great, so people will have no excuse to hold back from voting." On-campus polling sites include Quadrangle and Burge residence halls and the Union. Polling sites will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. *DI reporter Steven Cook can be reached at: sacoo@blue.weeg.uiowa.edu*

DOUBLE SLAYING Police: Memmer not talking

The man police say has information about the South Van Buren double slaying is being held on a \$1 million bond.

By Zack Kucharski
The Daily Iowan

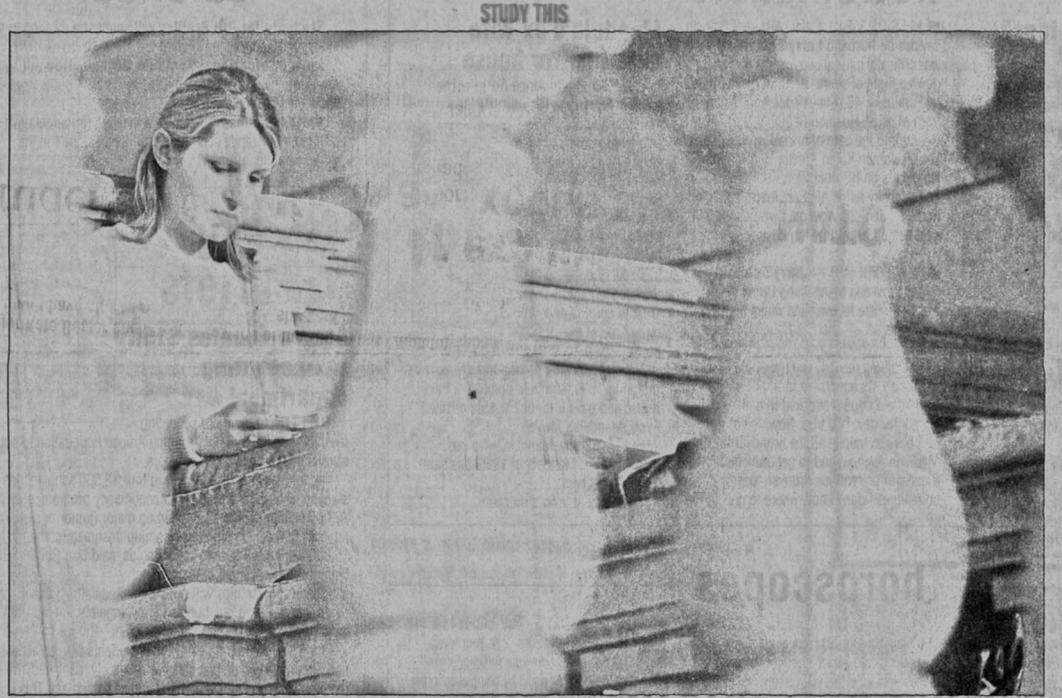
The man who police say possesses valuable information in connection with the double slaying at 427 S. Van Buren St. is not talking to authorities, authorities said Monday. John Lee Memmer, 23, was arrested at the UI Field House on March 26 for failing to meet probation requirements in connection to a 1997 burglary charge. Memmer was one of the last people to see victim Laura Watson-Dalton, 29, alive, police have said. Police are not calling Memmer a suspect in the double killings but hope he can help the investigation. "There are certain points in an investigation where you can rule a person out as a suspect," said Iowa City police Sgt. Mike Lord. "There are also points where a person emerges as a suspect. So far, Memmer is somewhere in between those two points." Memmer was seen with Watson-Dalton on March 17 at area bars — two days before her body was discovered in a burned apartment at 427 S. Van Buren St. Watson-Dalton was found in the same apartment as Maria Therese Lehner, 27; both had been beaten to death before the fire. There is still no known connection between the two victims, police said. The focus of the investigation now is to build time lines of the victims' whereabouts in the hours before their deaths. Investigators have secured Lehner's car but are not releasing information on where or how the car was found, Lord said. On March 27, Johnson County District Court Judge Stephen Gerard ordered Memmer to be held on a \$1 million cash-only bond for his violations. A probation-violation report released Monday said Memmer has violated four of the 14 rules in his probation agreement, including: *See SLAYINGS, Page 7A*

Mondo's fire, killings keep police busy

The past week was one of the most hectic in recent memory, Iowa City police say.

By John G. Russell
The Daily Iowan

The devastating fire at Mondo's Sports Cafe and a high-profile double-homicide investigation have had Iowa City police clocks ticking overtime. "I've had more irons in the fire than usual," police Lt. Matt Johnson said. "Excuse the pun." After the bodies of two women were found in a burned apartment at 427 S. Van Buren St. on March 19, seven officers were assigned to investigate the case. In addition, two officers were assigned to surveillance of the crime scene. Then, on March 26, police responded to a fire at Mondo's Sports Cafe, 212 S. Clinton St. Johnson said three to five officers spent the day directing traffic around the fire and keeping pedestrians off the 200 block of South Clinton Street. And on the day that the two *See POLICE, Page 7A*



UI senior Kate Besler studies on the steps of the Old Capitol Monday to see the last of a day in which the temperature reached 63 degrees. "I wish I didn't have class so I could enjoy it," she said. *Brian Ray/The Daily Iowan*

Court to rule on student fees

The decision follows a '96 appeals court ruling against the University of Wisconsin over subsidizing ideological groups.

By Richard Carelli
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court agreed Monday to decide whether public universities can use mandatory student activity fees to subsidize campus groups that pursue political goals. The justices said they will review rulings that barred the University of Wisconsin from dipping into activity fees it collects from every student to finance such groups. Advocates for gay-rights organizations said limiting subsidies will hurt "disfavored groups" nationwide. A decision is expected next year. A federal trial judge and an appeals court ruled that the subsidies unlawfully force some students to subsidize

"We look to the Supreme Court to stop this narrow-minded assault on a neutral system for supporting campus dialogue."

— Patricia Logue,
Lambda Legal Defense and Educational Fund

views they find objectionable and thereby violate free-speech rights. The lower courts barred the university from using fees collected from objecting students. Several law students with conservative political views challenged the funneling of student-activity money to 18 organizations on the Madison campus. "The forced funding of such organizations significantly adds to the burdening of the students' free-speech rights," a three-judge panel of the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled last year. It *See FEES, Page 7A*

Kosovar exodus surges; NATO bombings continue

Westerners report that ethnic Albanian leaders are being executed.

By George Jahn
Associated Press

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — Ground-attack jets took off for Kosovo Monday as part of NATO's expanded attacks on the Serb forces carrying out a "scorched earth policy" in the separatist province. While tens of thousands of ethnic Albanian refugees flooded neighboring countries, specialized A-10 "Warhog" planes were spotted taking off from Aviano Air Base in northern Italy. The A-10 is a low-and-slow-flying tank-killer aircraft that could be used to strike Serb ground forces. Air raid sirens blared Monday evening in Belgrade, the Yugoslav *See KOSOVO, Page 7A*

capital, and two detonations shook Pancevo, six miles to the north, marking the beginning of a sixth night of bombing. As new atrocities were reported in Kosovo, Russia's prime minister announced he was going to the Yugoslav capital of Belgrade on a peace deal, and rallies for and against the air strikes took place in London, New York, Prague and other cities. NATO spokesman Air Commodore David Wilby said the latest air attacks targeted Serb and Yugoslav units involved in atrocities in Kosovo, a province in Serbia, the main republic in Yugoslavia. "There are indications genocide is unfolding in Kosovo," said James P. Rubin, the State Department spokesman, citing reports of summary executions and people being



Giorgos Nissiotis/Associated Press
Demonstrators burn an American flag during a protest against NATO air strikes in Yugoslavia in the northern port city of Salonica, Greece, Monday. NATO member Greece is calling for a halt in the alliance bombings.

HALF-STAFF

The flag is flying at half-staff today in memory of **Esco Obermann**, associate professor emeritus of counselor education in the College of Education.

Quake kills 87 in India

BIYASI, India — Hundreds of work crews cleared roads to stranded mountain towns Monday, and military helicopters evacuated the injured after a powerful earthquake jolted northern India, killing at least 87 people. The 40-second quake, with a magnitude of 6.8, was the strongest this century in the Himalayan foothills, India's seismological department said. Striking just after midnight Monday (local time), it caught many villagers in their beds, toppling homes, setting off landslides and knocking out electricity in the region. *PAGE 5A*



D.M. police shoot man

DES MOINES — Police shot and killed a Des Moines man who they said was threatening them Sunday after they responded to a report of a fight at an apartment near Drake University. Adam Clark, 20, died as a result of shots fired from officers. *PAGE 3A*

Connecticut takes title

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — The Huskies beat top-ranked Duke, the team no one thought could be beaten in this NCAA tournament, for their first national championship in their first Final Four appearance. The 77-74 victory Monday night ended Duke's 32-game winning streak, kept the Blue Devils from an NCAA record for wins in a season, and prevented them from ending the '90s with a third national championship. Tremendous team defense and a big shot and free throws by Khalid El-Amin won it all. *PAGE 1B*

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READ, THEN RECYCLE

the **BIG** picture



UI graduate student Lisa Vanarragon-Smit walks across the footbridge by the Union Monday. "Today was incredible — I'm just waiting for the snow to come back," she said. "It seems too soon for it to be this nice."

Brian Ray/The Daily Iowan

THE LEDGE

RANDOM JOKES

• President Clinton walks off of Air Force One with a pig under each arm. As he gets to the bottom step, a Marine snaps to attention and says, "Fine pigs, sir." Clinton replies, "They are not pigs, they are Arkansas Razorbacks. I got them for Hillary and Chelsea." The Marine replies, "Fine trade sir, fine trade..."

• A man in a bar sees a friend at a table, drinking by himself. Approaching the friend, he comments, "You look terrible. What's the problem?" "My mother died in June," the friend says, "and left me \$10,000." "Gee, that's tough," is his sympathetic response.

"Then, in July," the friend continues, "my father died, leaving me \$50,000." "Wow! Two parents gone in two months. No wonder you're depressed," the man exclaims.

"And last month, my aunt died and left me \$15,000," the friend informs him.

"The man says, 'Three close family members lost in three months? How sad.'" "Then this month..." the friend whispers, "nothing!"

• Three women were talking about their husbands' performances as lovers. The first woman says, "My husband works as a marriage counselor. He always buys me flowers and candy before we make love. I like that."

The second woman says, "My husband is a motorcycle mechanic. He likes to play rough and slap me around sometimes. I kinda like that."

The third woman shakes her head and says, "My husband works for Microsoft. He sits on the edge of the bed and tells me how great it's going to be when I get it."

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Isaac Stern to teach in Germany

COLOGNE, Germany (AP) — Violinist Isaac Stern arrived in Germany Monday for the first time since he was there as a U.S. soldier a half-century ago.



Stern

The 78-year-old virtuoso will not be performing — he left his violin at home in New York — but will give master classes to young musicians.

"I have a responsibility to pass on to the next generation what I learned from my teachers," he said. "It keeps me young and reminds me where I came from. Teaching young artists is like giving water to a flower."

Stern was born in Russia but moved to the United States with his parents when he was a baby and is an American citizen.

newsmakers

MISSION VIEJO, Calif. (AP) — Elizabeth Taylor's ex-husband Larry Fortensky, who was critically injured two months ago in a fall down a flight of stairs, is out of the hospital.

Fortensky, 46, was released on March 26 from Mission Hospital Regional Medical Center into the care of his family, hospital spokeswoman Karen Prestia said Monday. No details on his condition were disclosed.

Fortensky fell at his San Juan Capistrano home on Jan. 28. A woman who called 911 said he had been drinking heavily.

NEW YORK (AP) — Jerry Seinfeld was forced to defend Manhattan's Upper West Side — where he lives and where his TV show was set — after the New York Times said on March 21, since it "lost Charivari (a posh clothing retailer) and the China Club (a nightclub), it's equivalent to a mall in Iowa."

Seinfeld counterattacked in a letter published Sunday: "It's true. Now, to get ripped off I have to traipse all the way over to Madison Avenue, and to get crunched into a mass of pretentious drunken losers, sometimes I don't know where to go."

Mandela's ex-wife sues him for house

SOWETO, South Africa (AP) — The small house where President Nelson Mandela and his wife lived in the early '60s is at the center of a court battle.



Mandela

Winnie Madikizela-Mandela is taking her former husband and the Soweto Heritage Trust to court over ownership of the house.

Seven years after he was freed from prison in 1990, Mandela purchased the house and gave it to the trust, said Ismail Ayob, Mandela's lawyer.

But Madikizela-Mandela, who was divorced from Mandela in 1996, has said the house is hers. The house is now a museum.

calendar

Students for Bill Bradley will sponsor a meeting in the Kirkwood Room of the Union at 7 p.m.

Iowa International Socialist Organization will sponsor "Stop the Bombing in Kosovo" in Room A of the Iowa City Recreation Center at 7 p.m.

Various sponsors will hold a meeting for parenting teens with family therapist Joan Rinner in River Room 1 in the Union from noon-1 p.m.

UI briefs

Amoco donates \$15K to accounting department

The UI Department of Accounting recently received \$15,000 from the Amoco Foundation to support scholarships for accounting majors.

The funds will be used to award four \$2,500 scholarships to students entering the Master of Accountancy program, one \$2,000 scholarship to an accounting major (junior or senior), three \$1,000 scholarships to incoming freshmen; of the total, \$5,000 will go to minority scholarships, said Dan Collins, chairman of the Department of Accounting.

"These scholarships will not only help us attract quality students into our program, but also encourage current students to enter the Master of Accountancy program," Collins said.

The 30-hour program is for those students with an accounting undergraduate degree that satisfies the newly mandated 150-hour requirement to become a certified public accountant. This requirement, which has been adopted by 44 states, goes into effect in Iowa on Jan. 1, 2001.

Pharmacy alumnus wins Humphrey award

Robert Osterhaus, a 1952 graduate of the UI College of Pharmacy, has been named this year's recipient of the Hubert H. Humphrey Award, presented by the American Pharmaceutical Association.

Osterhaus, a member of the Iowa House of Representatives and the only practicing pharmacist currently serving in the House, opened Osterhaus Pharmacy in Maquoketa in 1965.

horoscopes

Tuesday, March 30, 1999

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Delays due to transportation difficulties may put a snag in your plans. You must act quickly if you want to meet your deadline.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Doors will open professionally if you send out your résumé or go for interviews. Don't let children or entertainment cost you too much.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You'll be indecisive today. Your romantic partner will be confused by your actions. You'll have to be careful that you don't make rash decisions you'll regret later.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't reveal secret information about others. Co-workers won't be willing to cooperate with you. You will have to accomplish things by yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your colorful way of doing things will attract attention. Put some thought into ways that you can give yourself a physical challenge.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Oct. 22): Work diligently on projects requiring fine detail. Avoid peers who want to drag you into their dilemmas. You may want to help them, but in the end you'll get blamed for the outcome.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Check out some of the courses being offered in your community. You need to start learning new skills if you want to keep up with never-ending technological changes.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't overspend on those unworthy of your generosity. Look into the nature of an organization before you donate.

by Eugenia Last

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your lover may not be too sure about your intentions. You can evade the issue as usual by being affectionate and too active for your mate to catch on.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You should be thinking about making a career move. Someone you work for is probably trying to hold you back.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You need to get out and socialize with colleagues. If you can combine a little work with pleasure, you will gain respect and the support you need from those in a position to help you get ahead.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Emotional blackmail will only get you into trouble with your loved ones. You need to make some personal changes in your life. Don't blame others for your own unhappiness.

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D.M. police defend their shooting of 20-year-old man

Officials had a "moral right" to defend themselves, a sergeant says.

Associated Press

DES MOINES — Police shot and killed a Des Moines man who, authorities said, was threatening them after they responded to a report of a fight at an apartment near the Drake University campus. Adam Clark, 20, died as a result of shots fired from officers Sunday at about 3:30 a.m., Des Moines police Sgt. Bruce Elrod said. Elrod said police officers were called to a loud party at a house on March 27 at around 11:30 p.m. About four hours later, Elrod

said, police were called to the residence again concerning a fight. When officers Tim Peak and Mike McBride arrived, they were told that a woman had been assaulted and that the men who had done it were in an upstairs apartment. They found the door to that apartment locked but heard yelling inside, Elrod said. Clark was trying to kick the door down from the inside, Elrod said. "A male voice came from inside that was extremely irate, was screaming obscenities, knew that there were police officers that were outside, was calling them names, and he was threatening to kill them," Elrod said. When Clark got the door open,

officials said he was holding a peilet gun. Peek and McBride — who was involved in another shooting death in 1997 — fired a total of four shots, killing Clark, Elrod said. "If an officer perceives a threat, he certainly has the legal right and the moral right to defend himself," Des Moines police Sgt. Bruce Elrod said at news conference Monday. Elrod said officials have not released how many of the shots hit Clark or which officer fired the fatal shot, pending the results of an autopsy. The officers have been placed on paid administrative leave, which is standard, he said. The Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation is conducting a separate investigation; Des Moines

police officials said, based on the information they have, they believe the shooting was justified. Friends and relatives of Clark expressed shock and anger, saying police overreacted. "The hardest part of this is figuring out the truth," said Richard Kemp, Clark's stepfather. "It's hard for me to believe he had a gun, because it's just not him." Another Des Moines man was arrested in connection with the incident. Elrod said Lawrence Gale III, 19, pushed a woman through a window and was in the apartment at the time of the shooting. Gale was charged with assault causing injury and possession of a controlled substance.

Dow breaks 'magical' 10,000

For first time, the stock market managed to both move above the long-awaited mark and stay there.

By Patricia Lamiell
Associated Press

NEW YORK — This time, it's for keeps. The Dow Jones industrial average climbed past 10,000 Monday and finally had enough momentum to stay above the milestone through the closing bell. The 103-year-old index closed at 10,006.78, up 184.54 points, and the floor of the New York Stock Exchange began a long-awaited celebration. NYSE Chairman Richard Grasso, New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and John Prestbo, index editor for Dow Jones & Co., banged the gavel symbolizing the close of the trading day and then began tossing baseball caps with "Dow 10,000" embroidered on the front. Traders on the floor obliged a crowd of TV cameramen, photographers and reporters with a minute or so of applause.

"It's a moment to uncork the champagne and celebrate what a truly phenomenal bull market this has been," said Hugh Johnson, market strategist at First Albany Corp. News that several big corporate mergers may be in the works helped send the Dow over 10,000 Monday. But, at a post-close press conference, Grasso gave credit for the milestone to investors who have poured money into stocks — either directly or through mutual funds or pension plans — for the past decade. "The stock exchange had nothing to do with Dow 10,000. It had to do with the huge number of participants in the marketplace. I want to

send thank-yous to the 70 million Americans who participate directly in equities and another 130 million who participate indirectly." The Dow achieved its first five-digit close after four failed attempts earlier this month, when it crossed 10,000 only to fall back amid profit-taking and worries about upcoming quarterly profit reports. Two weeks ago, when the index appeared to close above the number, Grasso and others began tossing the congratulatory hats to the trading floor, only to be disappointed when the final number came in just shy. For a while Monday, it looked like that pattern would be repeated. The blue chips hit 10,000 several times, but were knocked back down again by computer-guided trading programs that sell stocks when the market reaches a predetermined level. But there was enough underlying strength this time across a broad spectrum of stocks that the Dow was able to climb back up 10,000 and stay there. The Dow's staying power was helped by an expansion of Wall Street's recent rally to a broader range of stocks — it wasn't just the large, big-name companies, such as IBM and General Electric, that gained; smaller companies and lesser known names finally started to join the upward trend after some prolonged weakness. Broad-market indexes had big gains Monday, reflecting how democratic the rally was. The Standard & Poor's 500 rose 27.37 to 1,310.17, and the Nasdaq composite, which represents many technology stocks and small-to-medium size companies, rose 73.67 to 2,492.84. Advancing issues outnumbered decliners in moderate NYSE trading.

LEGAL MATTERS

POLICE

David W. Cram, 47, 424 S. Johnson St., was charged with public intoxication at the Recreation Center, 220 S. Gilbert St., on March 28 at 6:24 p.m.
John C. Failing, 42, address unknown, was charged with public intoxication at 1310 S. Gilbert St. on March 28 at 9:54 p.m.
Ronnie R. Henderson, 26, 1303 Second Ave., was charged with forgery at Cub Foods, 855 Highway 1, on March 28 at 9:57 p.m., and with preventing apprehension and obstruction of prosecution at 2600 Lakeside Drive on March 28 at 10:09 p.m.
Rodney L. Murphy, 31, 1800 Linden Road Apt. 2, was charged with interference with official acts and driving under suspension at 200 E. Burlington St. on March 28 at 8:54 p.m.
Ryan R. Hoehn, 21, Marion, was charged with public intoxication at 400 S. Gilbert St. on March 28 at 2:36 a.m.
Nathan L. Tesmor, 20, Madison, Wis., was charged with public intoxication at the intersection of Burlington and Van Buren streets on March 28 at 1:55 a.m.
Aaron K. Alter, 22, address unknown, was charged with criminal mischief at 100 E. College St. on March 29 at 12:24 a.m.
Bobby D. F. Craton, 36, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. D4, was charged with violation of a domestic abuse protective order at 1100 Arthur St. Apt. J10 on March 29 at 2:21 a.m. — compiled by Zack Kucharski

COURTS
Magistrate

Public intoxication — Jared J. Austin, Mayflower Residence Hall Room 605A, was fined \$90; David W. Cram, 424 S. Johnson St., was fined \$90; Aron M. Demsky, 909 N. Governor St., was fined \$90; John C. Failing, address unknown, was fined \$90; Justin R. Galfius, Hartsville, Ind., was fined \$90;

Michael J. Hinman, 221 S. Lucas St., was fined \$90; Joshua R. Holstein, Springfield, Mo., was fined \$90; Christopher G. Kovich, 115 N. Dubuque St., was fined \$90; David L. Moeller, Hillcrest Residence Hall Room N110, was fined \$90; Ryan T. O'Brien, Chicago, was fined \$90; Jose C. Ramirez, Ames, was fined \$90; Ronald A. Rarey, 843 Dearborn St., was fined \$155; Brian P. Salmon, Woodstock, Ill., was fined \$90; Adam J. Saupé, 711 S. Gilbert St. Apt. 2, was fined \$90; Matthew C. Schmidt, Mechanicsville, Iowa, was fined \$90; Nathan L. Tesmer, Madison, Wis., was fined \$122.50.
Simple assault — Jerrid J. Jafferis, Council Bluffs, Iowa, was fined \$90.
Disorderly conduct — Jerrid J. Jafferis, Council Bluffs, Iowa, was fined \$90; Christopher G. Kovich, 115 N. Dubuque St., was fined \$90.
District
Obstruction of emergency communication — Bobby D. F. Craton, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. 4, no preliminary hearing has been set.
Possession of a schedule I controlled substance — Tiron D. Tompkins, Sterling, Ill., no preliminary hearing has been set; Jennifer L. Smith, Cedar Rapids, no preliminary hearing has been set.
Preventing prosecution — Ronnie R. Henderson, 1303 S. Second Ave., no preliminary hearing has been set.
Domestic assault causing injury — Eric B. Peppers, 1100 Arthur St. Apt. 13, no preliminary hearing has been set; Crystal A. Love, Oxford, Iowa, no preliminary hearing has been set.
Operating while intoxicated — Bradley A. Bender, Kirksville, Mo., no preliminary hearing has been set; Robert A. Diercks, 2033 Keokuk Ave. Apt. 9, no preliminary hearing has been set; Charles E. Donahue, 1417 Plum St., no preliminary hearing has been set; Benjamin R. Haut, Moline, Ill., no preliminary hearing has been set; Denise M. Leazenby, 217 Woodside Drive, no preliminary hearing has been set; Jackson J. Lovan, Coralville, no preliminary hearing has been set; Andre D. McChristian, Muscatine, no preliminary hearing has been set; Shanna M. Miller, Cedar Rapids, no preliminary hearing has been set; Virgil W. Hare, 215 E. Prentiss St., no preliminary hearing has been set; Richard K. Frye, 613 E. College St. Apt. 3, no preliminary hearing has been set.
Unlawful use of a driver's license — Seth A. J. Gilmore, Sterling, Ill., no preliminary hearing has been set.
Tax evasion — Robert L. Frazier, What Cheer, Iowa, no preliminary hearing has been set.
Forgery — Ronnie R. Henderson, 1303 S. Second Ave., no preliminary hearing was set.
Second-degree theft — Robert L. Frazier, What Cheer, Iowa, no preliminary hearing has been set; Robert L. Pirtle, Coralville, no preliminary hearing has been set; Britton C. Anderson, 801 Westwinds Drive Apt. 2, no preliminary hearing has been set.
Tampering with evidence — Robert L. Frazier, What Cheer, Iowa, no preliminary hearing has been set.
Criminal mischief — Aaron K. Alter, address unknown, no preliminary hearing has been set.
Assault on a peace officer — Steven V.

Bemrose, 119 E. Davenport St. Apt. 208, no preliminary hearing has been set.
Interference with official acts — Steven V. Bemrose, 119 E. Davenport St. Apt. 208, no preliminary hearing has been set; Lakeisha L. Cooper, Waterloo, no preliminary hearing has been set.
Driving under suspension — Shanna M. Miller, Cedar Rapids, no preliminary hearing has been set; Anne E. Tye, Solon, preliminary hearing was set for March 28 at 8 a.m.
Public intoxication — Ernesto Reyna, 331 N. Gilbert St., no preliminary hearing was set. — compiled by John G. Russell

CORRECTIONS

In Monday's story on page 3A, "English-only law draws critique," the first sentence misrepresented the opinion of John Travasña, a speaker from the Office of Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practices. He did not say Iowa's "English Only" legislation is necessary in some cases. In the March 26 story on page 1A, "Local dentists warn UI students of tongue-piercing dangers," "Indian ink" should read "India ink." In the March 25 story on page 1A, "Forum examines minority issues on campus, in community," not all eight members of the panel were identified. John Palmer, of the UI Asian American Coalition, and Ann Rhodes, vice president for UI Relations, were also on the panel.

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Cubist clay at play in Picasso's ceramics

■ A new exhibit shows the artist's talent and quirkiness through another medium.

By Sara Silver
 Associated Press

NEW YORK — To get a sense of Pablo Picasso's ceramics, imagine the curves of a vase turning into a bikini-clad woman. Or picture a plate with fish and fork baked on its surface.

The full range of the cubist master's ceramics — some of his most playful and accessible works — are on display until June 6 at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in an exhibition called "Picasso: Painter and Sculptor in Clay." The show features work that was long derided by critics as superficial.

Organized by the Royal Academy of Arts in London, the exhibit includes more than 175 rarely exhibited works that Picasso made after World War II in southern France.

"Picasso's involvement was so profound and personal — as well as being unfashionable at the time — that, until recently, it went unrecognized as a significant part of his oeuvre," writes his son, Claude Picasso, in an essay introducing the exhibit.

Gouging scenes of bullfights into flat plates, washing blue tints of cubist nudes over tiles or wrapping a yellow bikini around a red earthenware vase, Picasso made thousands of ceramics that bear his iconic imagery and signature techniques.

Gone are the bleak wartime images

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— Claude Picasso, Pablo Picasso's son

he produced while trapped in Nazi-occupied Paris.

"Picasso's years in the South of France were among his happiest, and exuberant joy and Mediterranean light are reflected in the painted three-dimensional sculptures he created in clay," writes Philippe de Montebello, director of the Met.

Picasso began working intensively in ceramic in 1946 at the Madoura pottery workshop in Vallauris, Spain, at the invitation of owners Georges and Suzanne Ramie.

Painting and sculpting vessels made by Madoura artisans, he reinvented the technical aspects of painting on clay, decorating press-molded plates by mixing enamels with oxides and glazes whose colors surfaced only after firing.

He molded fish and a lemon slice, and fried eggs and sausage, onto platters to create his version of the Spanish "platos de engano" ("plates to fool the eye"), and he created large-scale mosaics out of a few multicolored tiles.

He pulled hips and breasts from



Suzanne Plunkett/Associated Press

A woman looks at a series of ceramic plates by Pablo Picasso on display at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York on March 1.

curvy vases fresh off the potter's wheel and made sketches for skilled Madoura artisans to turn into jugs he would later paint as kneeling goats or birds being tossed into the air.

"Carried away by his vital need to discover all, he suddenly succumbed with infinite delight to the temptation ... to penetrate the mystery of earth and fire," wrote Georges Ramie in his 1974 book, "Picasso's Ceramics," published in French the year after Picasso died at 91.

Picasso worked in what Ramie called a fury of incessant activity, creating so many pieces that were stacked in piles on the floor — despite their value.

The artist remade classical ceramic

forms in his own image. He painted his profile on fragments like those found in Etruscan tombs, sculpted his lovers into hourglass-shaped Tanagra vases of the Hellenistic period, molded his beloved flute players around Greek-style amphorae.

Picasso put much of his daily life into the ceramics, incising the ballet of the Sunday bullfights he saw, reprinting the communist newspapers he read and pressing the bones of fish he ate for lunch into wet clay.

This full view of Picasso's life today emerges from the ceramic medium, which London-based scholar Marilyn McCully notes, enabled Picasso to paint in the round: fish swimming or snakes slithering down jugs.

Ensemble stages 11th century music, play

■ The group is internationally renowned for performing medieval and Renaissance music.

By T.J. Besler
 The Daily Iowan

The Ensemble of Early Music will present a dramatic staging of "Sponsus: The Parable of the Wise and Foolish Virgins" at Hancher Auditorium tonight at 8.

Frederick Renz, director of the ensemble, will lead a discussion with Connie Berman of the UI history department before the performance in the Hancher green room at 7 p.m. The discussion is free to ticketholders.

The ensemble will perform music from the 11th and 12th centuries, as well as a 45-minute play.

The *New York Times* has described its work as "stunning ... ravishing ... and beautifully performed."

"Sponsus" is an 11th century play from the abbey of Saint-Martial in Limoges, France, that dramatizes a New Testament parable of the Second Coming and Judgment Day.

It refers to Matthew 25:1-13, which tells of the Wise Virgins, who make certain that they have oil for their

lamps and are able to meet the Bridegroom at midnight, and the Foolish Virgins whose imprudence renders them unworthy.

The fully staged production, which is performed in Latin and French, was commissioned by the Metropolitan Museum of Art. A translation of the text has been mailed to those who purchased tickets in advance; it will also be reprinted in the playbill.

Under Renz, the ensemble has become known internationally for its riveting performances of medieval and Renaissance music.

At its home base in New York City, the ensemble presents annual sold-out performances at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine and the Cloisters of the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

It is also a frequent performer at major music festivals, including Spoleto, Ravinia, Edinburgh and Camaroe.

The ensemble records for a number of different labels, including Fone, Musical Heritage Society, Musicmasters and Nonesuch. It has also performed extensively on National Public Radio and American Public Radio.

The "unique and interesting" ensemble has won several accolades. A review in the *Louisville Courier Journal* said, "Early music is popular. Many performing ensembles are



Publicity Photo

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quite good, but none approaches the exacting standards or bravura performance techniques of the Ensemble of Early Music."

Tickets for "Sponsus" are \$25, \$22 and \$19. UI students and senior citi-

zens are eligible for a 20 percent discount. Zone 3 tickets are available for \$10 and tickets for those 17 and younger are half-price.

DI reporter T.J. Besler can be reached at: daily-iowan@uiowa.edu

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By John Di Associated

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NATION & WORLD

Officials hint at Serb-Iraqi link

U.S. intelligence points to a February meeting in which Yugoslavs allegedly talked to Iraqis about air-defense systems.

By John Diamond
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Yugoslav defense specialists, expecting a war over Kosovo, met last month in Baghdad with Iraqi counterparts in what the Pentagon suspects was a collaboration between two U.S. enemies to prepare Yugoslavia to shoot down American war planes, government officials say.

U.S. intelligence agencies kept track of the Yugoslavs going to the meeting but could not get firsthand information about what went on, the officials said, speaking on con-

dition of anonymity.

Nevertheless, Pentagon officials said, the meeting's timing and personnel, a similarity in Iraqi and Yugoslav air-defense tactics since NATO air strikes began and separate intelligence about possible arms deals between the two countries all suggest that Yugoslavia sought information on U.S. fighter jets and combat tactics.

The Baghdad meeting was described to the Associated Press by senior Clinton administration officials, Pentagon officials familiar with intelligence matters and congressional officials briefed on the matter. They spoke on condition of anonymity.

Collaboration between Iraq and Yugoslavia predates the Kosovo crisis. Baghdad purchased some air-defense equipment from Yugoslavia late in the Cold War, and there have been occasional

contacts between the two countries' military experts.

But February's two-day visit of a four-member Yugoslav air-defense team to the Iraqi military headquarters in Baghdad drew the immediate attention of U.S. intelligence. President Clinton and key congressional leaders were quickly notified, the officials said.

Both Yugoslavia and Iraq are under international arms embargoes, and U.S. officials said they have intelligence indicating Yugoslavia was offering to trade military spare parts in exchange for Iraqi intelligence on U.S. air operations. Yugoslavia may also be seeking parts from Iraq.

"Each country has supplies or parts it would like to get from the other country," a senior Pentagon official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

An official "at a fairly high level" in the Yugoslav military, and

accompanying officers "stayed a couple of days and met with a whole variety of people" in Baghdad, including air-defense specialists, the Pentagon official said.

At the time, Belgrade was resisting a diplomatic solution to the Kosovo crisis and bracing for threatened NATO air strikes, and Iraq was challenging U.S. planes patrolling deny-flight zones over Iraq and coming under frequent retaliatory attacks.

U.S. officials said they suspect Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's desire to help another U.S. adversary outweighed any concerns about Serb attacks in Kosovo against ethnic Albanians, who are mostly Muslim.

Iraq has had little success defending against U.S. and British air strikes during the skirmishes since the end of the Gulf War.

NATION BRIEFS

Oklahoma prosecutors file murder charges against Nichols

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Terry Nichols, serving a life sentence for his federal conviction as a conspirator in the Oklahoma City bombing, was charged Monday with first-degree murder in state court and could face the death penalty if convicted.

Nichols, 43, is in prison for the deaths of eight law enforcement officers. District Attorney Bob Macy had long promised to file state charges in the deaths of the 160 other people killed when a truck bomb tore through the nine-story office building.

Macy filed 163 counts against Nichols. In addition to the 160 first-degree murder charges, he accused Nichols of one count of first-degree manslaughter for the death of an unborn child, one count of conspiracy to commit murder and one count of aiding and counseling in the placing of a substance or bomb near a public building.

Nichols was convicted in federal court in Denver on Dec. 23, 1997, for conspiring to bomb the building and eight counts of invol-

untary manslaughter in the deaths of eight federal law enforcement officers killed in the April 19, 1995, bombing.

Missile defense system tests fail for sixth time

WASHINGTON (AP) — A weapon designed to knock enemy missiles out of the sky failed its sixth direct-hit attempt Monday, raising questions about the technological feasibility of a defense system that is now a national priority.

Pentagon officials in charge of the Army's Theater High-Altitude Area Defense missile program put a positive spin on the test, saying all targeting, radar and launch systems worked well together for the first time. And they predicted a complete success soon, although they couldn't say exactly what caused the miss.

"Everything seemed to work very, very well with the exception, obviously, of what happened relative to the closing end game for the missile," Lt. Gen. Lester Lyles, director of the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, told a Pentagon news conference.

'Melissa' swamps nation's e-mail

A virus with a "smiley face" overloads thousands of private and government computers.

By Chris Allbritton
Associated Press

NEW YORK — E-mail systems at thousands of companies and government agencies around the country were swamped Monday by a cunning virus called "Melissa" that disguises itself as an "important message" from a friend.

The virus began to show up on March 26 and spread rapidly Monday by making computers fire off dozens of infected e-mails. Although the virus apparently causes no permanent damage to a computer, its effects were far-reaching.

In Portland, Ore., city government slowed to a crawl. The e-mail network at Lockheed Martin, the aerospace company in Bethesda, Md., was overloaded.

Michael Vatis, a federal prosecu-

tor and director of the National Infrastructure Protection Center based at FBI headquarters, said military and government computers were sabotaged, along with thousands of other institutions' systems.

"It is important that computer crime is not just dismissed as kids fooling around," Vatis said. "There are real consequences for real people."

The FBI is investigating, he said. Vatis would not comment on whether investigators had any leads or on where the name Melissa came from.

The Melissa virus comes in the form of an e-mail, usually containing the subject line "Important Message." It appears to be from a friend or colleague.

The body of the e-mail message says, "Here is that document you asked for ... don't show it to anyone else" with a winking smiley face formed by the punctuation marks ;-).

Attached to the message is a document file. Once the user opens

that file, the virus digs into the user's address book and sends infected documents to the first 50 addresses.

"The reason this is spreading so rapidly is that you're getting it from people you know and you trust," said Eric Lundquist, editor in chief of PC Week. "You should never open documents or attachments from people you don't know, but this is the first one you need to be careful of opening documents from people you do know."

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Powerful quake kills 87 in northern India, near Himalayas

Help trickles in for the victims in the quake-prone foothills area.

By Neelish Misra
Associated Press

BIYASI, India — Hundreds of work crews cleared roads to stranded mountain towns Monday, and military helicopters evacuated the injured after a powerful earthquake jolted northern India, killing at least 87 people.

The 40-second quake, with a magnitude of 6.8, was the strongest this century in the earthquake-prone Himalayan foothills, India's seismological department said.

Striking just after midnight Monday (local time), it caught many villagers in their beds, toppling homes, setting off landslides and knocking out electricity in the region.

Aftershocks rumbled across the green mountains in quick succession immediately afterward and throughout the day — prompting cows and other animals to rush out of their sheds in panic.

At least 132 villagers were injured by the earthquake, officials said in Biyasi, a small town on the main mountain road to Nandprayag, the epicenter 190 miles north of New Delhi.

"For a minute, all the earth seemed shaking ... we all ran out of our houses very, very scared," said Himanshu Thapliyal, a 28-year-old lawyer.

With telephone lines severed, reports of casualties and damage were incomplete nearly a day after the quake. Government officials used loudspeakers to caution people not to go back to their damaged houses.

Help began trickling in hours after the earthquake. A row of army trucks and relief vehicles meandered up the steep slopes of the Garhwal hills, which are close to India's border with China. A large stretch of the main road into the region was blocked by a landslide.

Crews cleared the boulders, earth and other debris that had crashed down upon the narrow road.

Top government officials met in Lucknow, capital of Uttar Pradesh state, where the quake was centered, and announced compensation of \$2,400 for relatives of the dead.

After surveying the quake zone by helicopter, B.M. Vohra, commissioner of the Dehra Dun district, said there was an urgent need for tents and food. Four helicopters and 300 rescue workers, mostly police and soldiers, were called into service.

"Before we could realize what was happening, the electricity went off, and the whole area plunged into darkness," said Uma Kant Pawar, the top official in Chamoli, a town of 7,000 close to the epicenter.

Pawar had heard a deafening rumble of rocks and earth come crashing down nearby. "It looks like half the mountain had come off," he said.

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EDITORIALS

Against a local-option tax

This week's referendum on the proposed local-option sales tax is an opportunity for the public to control the growth of new taxes. It is also a chance for the public to channel where new taxes would go.

The tax would increase the existing sales tax on a host of goods and services by a mere penny on the dollar, but these pennies add up — Iowa City would raise \$5.7 million in new revenue if the tax is approved.

While the lure of that amount of money may seem irresistible, there are plenty of reasons not to approve the tax. Here are three of them:

- There are too many hands in the penny pot. Revenue raised by the tax would be split among six main beneficiaries. Iowa City Police and Fire departments, the City Water Fund, human-services agencies and public transit would all get a cut. Expansion of the Iowa City Public Library, construction of a new Community Events Center, as well as operational expenses of these completed facilities, would get half the revenue. Less than \$3 million a year is not enough to contribute to a \$22.5 million project like this. The tax is spread much too thin to be of great benefit.

- Lack of a "sunset clause." Once we opt for the tax, it is undesirable to opt out. It is relatively easy to repeal the tax — another referendum next year or City Council action any time will do it — but an unfinished library and community events building makes little fiscal sense. The scope of these capital-improvement projects alone would require a commitment of several years, perhaps even indefinitely.

- The tax is not addressing the most vital needs of the community. Having a larger library and a new Community Events Center would benefit downtown Iowa City but at a hefty price. Police, fire and water service improvement are all vital services but should be funded by the existing city budget. As the community grows, so should their funding.

Iowa City is one of the few big cities in Iowa that does not have a local-option sales tax. If it is destined to have one, it should be limited to a smaller number of projects that would benefit a greater number of citizens and have a sunset clause attached. The local-option sales tax is not a bad idea in itself, but this one is.

Vote "no" and let's go back to the drawing board.

In favor of local-option tax

Today's vote for the local-option sales tax provides UI students with a unique opportunity: to give something back to Iowa City.

Students have long taken advantage of the diverse downtown offerings, as well as the city's thriving art and music scenes. Residents and students alike may not be aware of just how unique the downtown is, both in terms of variety of businesses and richness in culture. Few small cities in the country can boast similarly vital downtown areas, as suburbanization and strip malls have taken their toll on them.

To maintain the vivacity of the Iowa City community, something is needed to have people continue to frequent downtown rather than luring them to the Coral Ridge mall. The 1-cent increase to the sales tax provides just such an opportunity.

Local officials expect Iowa City to garner approximately \$5.7 million in additional revenue from the tax.

The additional money would be used for a variety of community projects, such as improving public transit, expanding the Iowa City Public Library, setting up a cultural events center at the Pedestrian Mall and hiring new police officers.

The proposed cultural center, for example, could provide a stage or gallery or venue for the tremendous reservoir of creativity here. Currently, the city does not have a place to showcase local talent and to show community productions. The center will allow for smaller productions from local groups, as well as provide space for local artists to display their work.

From \$1.5 million to \$2 million will be generated by residents from elsewhere in Iowa. This money can be used to fund our local projects, but only if the local-option sales tax is implemented.

A large chunk of this revenue will come from sales at Coral Ridge, the same mall that has been accused of killing off downtown businesses in Iowa City. Using this revenue to build our downtown will keep low- and middle-income families shopping locally and add to the overall health of our community.

A better library, a new cultural center and safer streets will keep people coming to downtown Iowa City — and patronizing local businesses. Keeping a local community thriving takes more than thriving local businesses.

Without genuine effort, Iowa City could become yet another campus town, with only bars and convenience stores. UI students, with their incredible buying power, can have a huge effect on the success of downtown businesses.

By voting for the tax increase, students are voting for their community.

Greg Flanders is a *DI* editorial writer.

Flinging down the gauntlet on ethnic engineering

THE United States, reliable sources assure me, is at war. Not that you could tell. Life here in the bastion of democracy continues much as it did before we were at war.

That means, in our modest corner of the bastion, our leaders are busy heroically banishing the word "freshman" from the language and our police are occupied with valiantly busting half the undergrad population for having the temerity to want a beer before they've solved Chaucerian equations or parsed calculus.

Elsewhere, the country is involved with watching the stock market getting jitterbuggy with it and indulging in its favorite 1990s sport, throwing poor people off the welfare rolls. Most places are busy sticking young, black males in prison because they're, well, young and male and black.

Normal life goes on, in other words. But war? War is just a whisper in the national dialogue — though most days it seems as if it's not so much a national dialogue as it is 260 million national monologues.

Oh, the war is taking place on CNN, of course, but Americans have seen all this before. I mean, how many laser-guided bombs with the IQ of Einstein can you see blow up some blurry blob on a sea-green video screen before you channel-surf on, looking for the newest sitcom or the latest Miller Lite commercial?

Manifest destiny these days is 99 digital channels. Besides, after the first half dozen, images of war all become the same laser-guided bomb, the same blurry blob, the same sea-green video screen.

In a society addicted to the new and hooked on thrills, "the same" is death. Which is why America likes to confine its wars to CNN. Wars confined to CNN, young black males confined to prison, investment bankers and corporate lawyers confined to SUVs. Everything in its place, and all is right with the world.

All is not right in the world, of course, and it's particularly not right in Kosovo, a part of the world in which, it would seem at first glance, people have raised not getting along to a high art.

A little history may be in order. The Serbs claim that Kosovo is the "heart" of Serbia, an integral part of Greater Serbia. History would seem to dispute this, however; the Serb kingdoms grew up mostly to the west and north of what is now Kosovo and gradually moved into the area during the 11th and 12th centuries.

The Kosovars lay claim to having descended from the pastoral people who were in the area about 1,000 years before that, and a fair number of Western historians support this notion. One writer, Noel Malcolm, suggests that the Albanians are descended from the Illyrians, which would put them in the area in pre-Roman times.

Of course, you can't hope to solve modern conflicts by looking to who was where 1,000 or 2,000 years ago. Were we to try this, we'd be moving huge blocks

of populations hither and yon all over the damn planet. If you think the airlines are good at losing luggage now, imagine what they could do with that scenario. And if we were to follow the notion to its logical geographical conclusion, we'd have to move all 6 billion of us back to the Olvaldi Gorge. In which case, we could rename it the Olvaldi Engorged.

But what do Illyrians and medieval Serb kingdoms have to do with bombing Belgrade? you ask. In 1987, a ruthlessly ambitious thug by the name of Slobodan Milosevic began his climb to power by exploiting Serbian nationalism and inciting anti-Albanian hatred. By 1989, he had consolidated power and began a systematic campaign of abuse against the Kosovars. As Malcolm puts it in his book, "Kosovo": "To produce an adequate survey of the human-rights abuses suffered by the Albanians of Kosovo since 1990 would require several long chap-

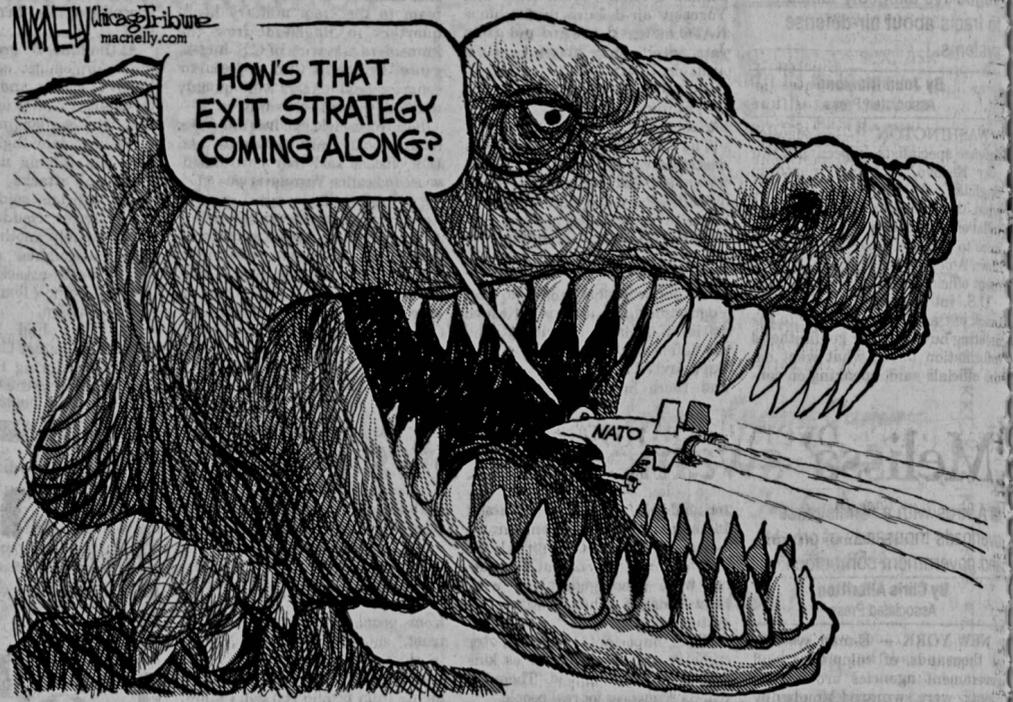
ters in itself." Milosevic has heightened the campaign in the last year or so, to the point now where Western observers estimate that half a million Kosovars are refugees.

They're pouring into Albania and Macedonia at the rate of 4,000 per hour, reports said Monday, carrying with them graphic stories of Serb terrorism. It's ethnic engineering on a scale not seen since the wonderful days of Hitler and Stalin.

Bombing the Serbs probably will not bring any sort of justice to Kosovo any time soon. The next step — invading Kosovo — might not, either. But to stand around and watch (or not watch) and do nothing is to take the side of fascism.

Meanwhile, back in the bastion of democracy, the Dow broke the magical 10,000-point barrier Monday. Oh, what a lovely war.

Beau Elliot is a *DI* columnist.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sales tax seems cheap compared with alternative

To the Editor:
Conventional arguments have asserted that lower-income people will get stuck with a higher portion of the local-option sales tax in relation to their total income. However, let's look at what happens if the tax fails.

Water bills for property owners will go up. That's definite. Most lower-income families are renters. Landlords will pass the increase on to tenants.

An average household uses about 700 to 800 cubic feet of water per month. The higher water/sewer rates will result in an increase of at least \$60 per year, per household.

If the tax fails, the Iowa City Public Library will come forward again to ask for new facilities. Bonds will be issued by the city, and property taxes will increase. Landlords will pass the increase on to tenants. It will cost an average household about \$50 per year. Add it up: \$60 plus \$50 equals \$110. If anything, this is a low estimate, because landlords think in round numbers, like 25 bucks a month.

It has been estimated that lower-income families will pay about \$60 more each year because of the 1-percent local-option sales

tax. What would be better for a lower-income family? Paying the extra \$110 to \$300 per year to the landlord when the tax fails, or paying the \$60 caused by the regressive local-option sales tax?

Vote yes for the 1 percent local-option sales tax. Call it what you will; it is cheaper than the alternative.

James Clayton
Iowa City resident

A 'no' vote best for Iowa City

To the Editor:
If you've spent more than a few minutes in this town, or talked to anybody about what it was like before you arrived, you might have noticed that Iowa City seems to have spent a quarter of a century of urban renewal knocking down lovely, old buildings and turning them into parking lots, and digging up attractive parking lots and turning them into ugly buildings.

Understandably, our leaders have been a shifting cast of characters. But would you trust your money with these people? I don't think they should have 1 percent of the cost of my next bottle of Tylenol or aspirin, let alone 1 percent for my next pair of sandals.

Iowa City needs to re-evaluate needs and priorities. We have quite a few vacant business buildings, a shortage of available housing, not enough public transit and lots of un- and under-employment.

The infrastructure is held together with Band-Aids called volunteers who, among

other things, teach English as a second language and provide free medical care and free meals.

A public gathering space for concerts and other things is a nice idea, but look around. There are a hundred people a day lined up for free lunch.

Am I blaming the city itself for our myriad problems? Are they Iowa City's fault? Not completely, but take a look at what is going on in the city buildings we have now and ponder what will happen in the future. Will there ever be money for the people in the buildings?

Did you know that a huge percentage of the people who work for the city as part-time temporaries, often for many years, receive no benefits? And their hourly wages are low, even compared with the private sector in this town chock full of overqualified workers.

We talk about the concept of a living wage, but many of the people whose jobs hold this city together haven't got one. The Iowa City Public Library is one of the worst offenders.

The underpaid city workers who are already pinched by the lack of padding in their bank accounts are among those who are going to get hurt most by the sales tax.

How in good conscience can you allocate funds for an edifice without improving the management of resources — human and otherwise — in the buildings you've got?

If you care about economic justice, please join me in voting no today.

Rebecca S. Rosenbaum
Iowa City resident

readers

SAY How will you be enjoying the nice weather?



"In the evening, when I have time, maybe I will go fishing."

Quingyu Li
UI doctoral student



"We're just going to sit outside and suck it up as long as it lasts."

Brianne Hodges
UI freshman



"Have a picnic!"

Erika Gjerde
Madison, Wis., resident



"I'm spending it in MacLean Hall, at the window, studying in the computer lab."

Erin Vomumetti
UI junior



"Sitting outside all day; might ply some Frisbee."

Kristin Cherry
UI freshman

Deregulation

■ A report says deregulation would allow utilities to offer cheaper rates in some areas but higher bills in others.

By John H. ... Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Deregulation would allow consumers in 26 states to increase them in 15, says a report made by The Agriculture Department. The report doesn't say how much it would go up; it does say that America would need to spend \$2.4 billion in 2015 to cover the costs of competitive bidding. The report predicts that competition would lead to lower rates for consumers in 26 states, including the Southwest, Northern Plains, and

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forced from their homes.

Wilby said NATO reports that Fehmi is an Albanian negotiator in peace talks in France. He said Sunday and that he had gone into hiding.

Four other prominent Albanians were also cited in the Serbs' "policy," NATO said.

The Serbian Mediation Center in Pristina, the Kosovo government, said Monday that it had evidence to support the Pentagon spokesman's claim. Bacon, speaking in a news conference, said more U.S. aircraft

Life here in Iowa City

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women's bodies were student Huy Ho was killed in a murder near the UI.

The incidents were activity at the police department more hectic than usual.

"It was extraordinary," said Johnson, who was on March 26. "I have a high-profile fire or homicide, problems."

Extra officers were time because of the fire. Sgt. Jim Steffen said, "The fire happened on the third watch, so we had officers on duty," also called officers out for taking duty.

But Lt. Dan Seaman said everyday services were not affected. "We still maintain the same routine," he said, "but it's a strain on the degree, but it's

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Deregulation to bring rate changes

A report says deregulating the utilities would mean cheaper rates in some states but higher bills in others.

By John Hughes
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Electricity deregulation would cut rates for consumers in 26 states but increase them in 19 other states, says a report made public Monday. The Agriculture Department report doesn't say how much rates would go up; it does say rural America would need a "safety net" ranging from \$1 billion in 2000 to \$2.4 billion in 2015 to offset the costs of competitive pricing. The report predicts increased competition would lower rates for consumers in 26 states, mainly in the Southwest, Northeast and southern Plains, but the rates

would go up in the Pacific Northwest, Mountain states, Midwest and in the northern Plains, as well as in some Great Lakes states. The report focused on the 45 states with rural electric cooperatives.

More than a dozen states have already moved toward opening their electricity markets. But efforts in Congress to enact deregulation legislation have bogged down in recent years.

The Clinton administration announced a deregulation plan last year that it said would save consumers \$20 billion a year. It would call for open competition nationwide among electricity suppliers by 2003 but would also let states "opt out" of the program if they believed competition would not help them.

While the report does not dispute the administration's view that it would save consumers \$20 billion, it found the savings will be concentrated in some states, while

consumers would face substantial costs in other states.

An Agriculture Department spokesman, Andrew Kauders, said the report was leaked before it was finished and that people should not draw conclusions from it.

Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., sent copies of the report to all Oregon legislators and urged them to resist a push for electricity deregulation. He wanted to release the report this week because an Oregon state Senate committee is expected to take up a bill that would advance deregulation, said Jeff Stier, a DeFazio aide.

If consumers are forced into deregulated electricity markets, DeFazio wrote, their electric rates will increase while their quality of service declines, adding: "The ongoing failures of cable television and telephone deregulation are pretty good indicators of what we can expect from electricity deregulation."

Court to decide on student fees

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said the university "cannot use the allocable portion of objecting students' mandatory activity fees to fund (those) organizations."

The appeals court panel's ruling did not shield objecting students from paying any activity fees but gave them an opt-out privilege. They can identify the political or ideological groups they do not want to support and have their fees reduced on a pro-rated basis.

Among groups objected to in the 1996 lawsuit against the university were Students of National Organization for Women, International Socialist Organization, Campus Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Center and an AIDS

support network. "We look to the Supreme Court to stop this narrow-minded assault on a neutral system for supporting campus dialogue," said Patricia Logue of the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, a gay-rights group.

In a friend-of-the-court brief supporting the university's appeal, Lambda's lawyers had argued that the appeals court's ruling "confuses payments to construct a stage with being forced to speak upon it or fund an organization that uses it."

The nation's highest court ruled in 1995 that public universities and colleges cannot create a "public forum" for students and then refuse to subsidize some student groups because of their viewpoint. That decision said the

University of Virginia wrongly refused to subsidize a student-run Christian magazine.

The 7th Circuit panel said: "If the university cannot discriminate in the disbursement of funds, it is imperative that students not be compelled to fund organizations which engage in political and ideological activities — that is the only way to protect the individual's rights."

The justices had left that issue undecided in their 1995 ruling.

The full 7th Circuit court voted 8-3 against reconsidering the panel's decision limiting the university's use of the student-activity fees. The three dissenters noted that the Wisconsin case involved a "viewpoint-neutral forum" in which all points of view were eligible for subsidies.

Refugees overwhelming Albania, Macedonia

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Pentagon spokesman Ken Bacon, speaking in Washington, said more U.S. aircraft, including

five B-1 bombers, would soon join the mission.

He said NATO planes hit at least one column of Yugoslav military vehicles but that the task of attacking Serb army and police forces is being complicated because Serbs are using refugees as human shields.

The Western allies want Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic to stop his campaign against Kosovo's separatists and accept a peace plan that calls for 28,000 NATO troops to enforce the accord, including 4,000 Americans. His refusal to accept the peacekeeping force triggered the NATO air strikes.

Ethnic Albanians make up 90 percent of Kosovo's 2 million people inhabitants. Serbs, however, consider Kosovo theirs because,

they claim, it was the birthplace of their culture before they lost it to the Ottoman Turks in the 15th century. Many historians assert that this claim is a myth. Serbia regained the province shortly before World War I.

Serb reprisals against ethnic Albanians in Kosovo have reportedly escalated since NATO launched its air attacks.

French President Jacques Chirac said NATO had to act against Milosevic's troops.

"(Europe) cannot accept on its soil a man and a regime that, for nearly 10 years, has conducted ... operations of ethnic cleansing, murders and massacres, of destabilization in the entire region, resulting in more than 200,000 deaths and millions left homeless," Chirac said. "It is enough."

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Life hectic for I.C. police

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— Lt. Matt Johnson,
Iowa City police

shattering."

Steffen said approximately 14 officers are on duty during the day and 16-17 at night. Overtime reports have not been filed by the watch commanders, so the exact number of additional officers is unknown, police said.

Sellers said the need for more officers would not affect police budgets because money to pay for overtime is budgeted for annually.

"They use the average amount of overtime in recent years to compute budget appropriations," he said.

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Police: Memmer not cooperative

SLAYINGS

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Memmer has not contacted his probation officer since Feb. 15 and then missed a March 1 appointment with his probation officer, court documents said.

Memmer was ordered to abstain from all alcohol consumption, but documents show Memmer admitted to drinking alcohol during the weekend of Feb. 6.

Memmer was ordered to maintain a residence approved by a probation officer and provide a current address at all times. He has been staying in several Coralville hotels since January but had not informed officers that he was moving, court documents said.

Memmer has not paid any restitution or court costs since his sentencing for third-degree burglary in April 1998. He currently owes \$8,000 in fines.

Public defender Edward Leff has been appointed to represent Memmer; he had no comment about the case.

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"I don't think it's fair for me to answer that. If I say yes, then I'm arrogant. If I say no, I have no confidence."

— David Duval on being asked if he is the best golfer in the world.

SPORTS QUIZ

Connecticut's Richard Hamilton was named Big East player of the year for the second season in a row. Who are the only other players to win the honor twice? See answer, Page 2B.

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Indiana	82	L.A. Clippers	88
Seattle	109	Vancouver	
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READ, THEN RECYCLE

IOWA SOFTBALL

Hawkeyes to play Indian Hills

The Iowa softball team has added another game to its schedule, a single contest against Indian Hills Community College tonight at 6 p.m. The site of the game is still up in the air due to ongoing construction at the Hawkeye Softball Complex. A decision is expected to be made this afternoon. The backstop at the complex is currently being replaced with a net to create a better view of the field from the stands and press box. If construction is not completed, the game will be held in Ottumwa, Iowa. —Tony Wirt

MEN'S NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP GAME • CONNECTICUT 77, DUKE 74

Duke Ripped by Huskies

UConn beats the seemingly untouchable Blue Devils

By Jim O'Connell
Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Connecticut spoiled the Duke Invitational. The Huskies beat top-ranked Duke, the team no one thought could be beaten in this NCAA tournament, for their first national championship in their first Final Four appearance. Monday night's 77-74 thriller ended Duke's 32-game winning streak, kept the Blue Devils from an NCAA record for wins in a season, and prevented them from ending the '90s with a third national championship.

Richard Hamilton led third-ranked Connecticut (34-2) with 27 points, but it was some tremendous team defense and a big shot and free throws by Khalid El-Amin that won it all. Trajan Langdon led Duke (37-2) with 25 points, but Duke's last two possessions ended with him making turnovers. And so the Blue Devils fell short of what everyone had expected — another title.

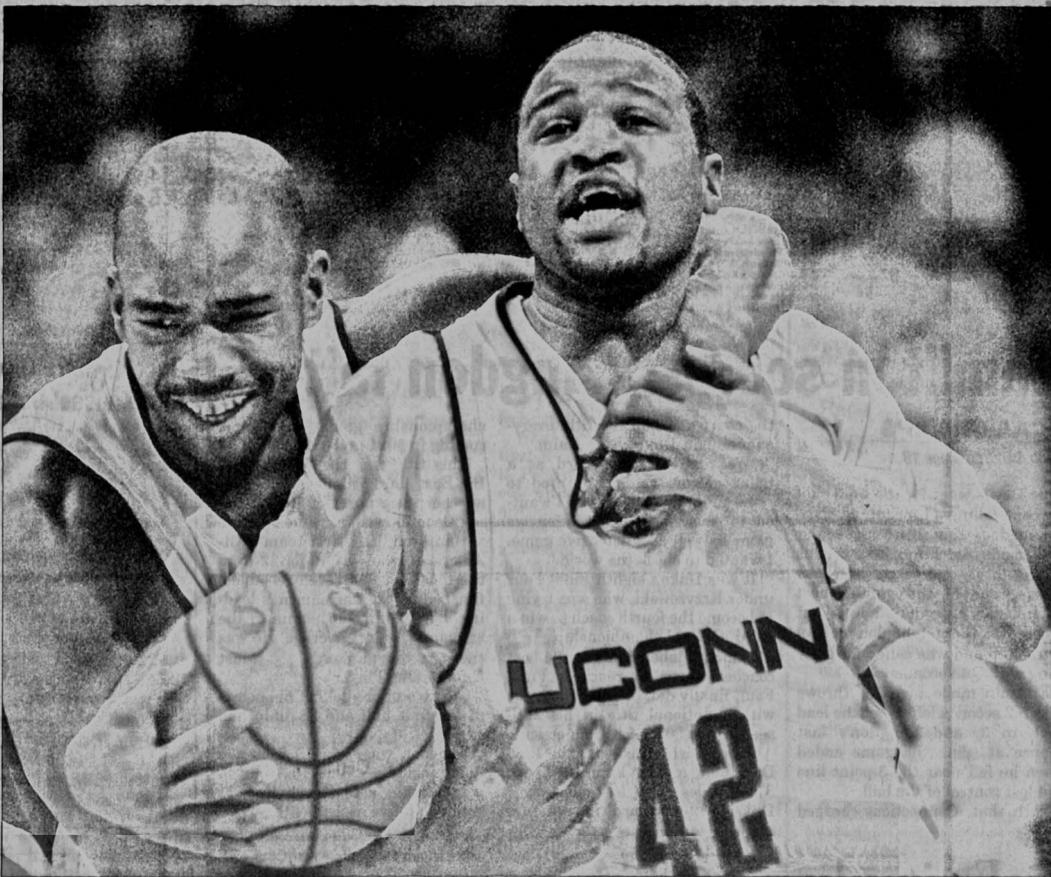
These were the only two teams to hold the No. 1 ranking this season and they played a final game worthy of the two best.

"We lost to a great basketball team. We were beaten tonight, we didn't lose," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said.

"We picked it up in the second half and we had some opportunities, but they put the pressure on us and were tough to defend," he said. "We got some

good looks and had a chance to win, but they made the play and we didn't make the play in the last minute." Connecticut was able to keep the game at a pace it liked even though most everyone thought the Huskies should try to slow the tempo. The quick pace made for what seemed like constant lead changes, the last coming with 3:50 to play when Hamilton's free throws gave the Huskies a 70-68 lead.

He hit a 3-pointer 21 seconds later for a five-point lead and suddenly Duke was playing a role it had very little experience at this season — the chaser.

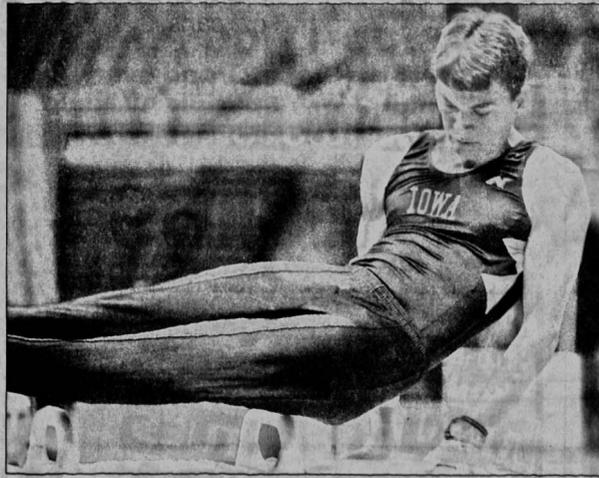


"We're happy as heck, and we truly believed we could beat them," UConn coach Jim Calhoun said. "I said before the game that we hadn't played our best yet. If you count character, I think tonight we did." William Avery's free throws with 54 seconds left got the Blue Devils within 75-74. El-Amin, whose driving basket had given Connecticut the 75-72 lead, missed on a drive with 24 seconds left and Duke had life. The crowd of 41,340 at Tropicana Field, the court where Duke's season ended a year ago, was roaring as the

Box Score
DUKE (37-2) — Carravelli 3-7 3-4 9, Battier 2-7 1-2 6, Brand 5-8 5-8 15, Avery 3-12 4-4 11, Langdon 7-15 6-7 25, James 0-0 0-0 0, Maggette 3-7 2-2 8, Burgess 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-56 21-27 74.
CONNECTICUT (34-2) — Freeman 3-6 0-0 6, Hamilton 10-22 5-6 27, Voskuhl 1-1 0-0 2, Moore 6-10 0-1 13, El-Amin 5-12 2-4 12, Ware 2-2 0-0 4, Mouring 3-4 0-1 6, Saunders 1-3 2-4 4, Jones 1-1 1-2 3. Totals 32-61 10-18 77.
Halftime score—Duke 39, Connecticut 37, 3-Point Goals—Duke 7-19 (Langdon 5-10, Avery 1-3, Battier 1-3), Maggette 0-1, Carravelli 0-2, Connecticut 3-8 (Hamilton 2-4, Moore 1-1, Mouring 0-1, El-Amin 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Duke 31 (Brand 13), Connecticut 41 (Moore, Freeman 8). Assists—Duke 10 (Avery 5), Connecticut 11 (El-Amin 4). Total fouls—Duke 19, Connecticut 20. A—41,340

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Ed Reinke/
Associated Press
Connecticut's Khalid El-Amin (right) and Rashamel Jones celebrate in the closing seconds of their 77-74 victory over Duke on Monday night.



Brian Moore/The Daily Iowan

Iowa junior Doug Jacobson competes on the pommel horse during the Big Ten Championships on Saturday in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

Iowa ready to rebound

Iowa has begun to refocus on defeating Michigan at the National Championships.

By Roger Kuznia
The Daily Iowan

With its winning performance last weekend at the Big Ten Men's Gymnastics Championships, Michigan proved that it is the team to beat. After taking the Big Ten team title Friday at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, the Wolverines captured three individual titles Saturday night on the still rings, vault and parallel bars. Michigan's strong performances left the Iowa Hawkeyes with a lot of work to do before the April 10 NCAA Eastern Regional. With its second-place finish in the Big Ten, Iowa moved from fourth to third in

the national rankings. The Hawkeyes are only 25 of a point away from the second spot, held by Ohio State, which finished third in the Big Ten meet. "Michigan is a good team," Iowa coach Tom Dunn said. "But it's on any given day. If we can stay close, and they make a mistake, we go ahead. We make a mistake, they go ahead. It's hard to call." For Iowa to have a good chance of dethroning Michigan from the top spot, it will need a healthy Shane deFreitas. DeFreitas injured his right ankle during his landing on the vault Friday during the team competition. His health is very important for the Hawkeyes. Going into the meet, deFreitas was ranked in the nation's top 20 in three events — still rings, parallel bars and high bar. "We're going to need a little help

See GYMNASTICS, Page 2B

Hawkeyes will face in-state rival today

By Roger Kuznia
The Daily Iowan

The Hawkeyes defeated Iowa State last week 10-4, but will travel to Ames to face the Cyclones again today at 2 p.m.

After opening the Big Ten season by going 1-3 against Michigan, Iowa will look to rebound with a victory today at Iowa State. The Hawkeyes looked a little dejected when they left the dugout following Sunday's 13-12 loss to Michigan, a game that saw Iowa lose an early six-run lead. "We felt we should've won one more game against Michigan," Iowa relief pitcher Troy Wulf said. Iowa (10-12) plays the Cyclones (6-20) at 2 p.m. in Ames. The season series is tied at one game apiece, with Iowa winning the most recent contest last week, 10-4. "We beat Iowa State last week, so we know we can beat them again," Wulf said. Iowa State's Dave Rossman (1-3, 9.12 ERA) will go against the Hawkeyes' James Magrane (2-1, 4.58 ERA). Rossman pitched in relief against the Hawkeyes last Tuesday, giving up three hits and four unearned runs in 1/3 of an inning. Magrane, on the other hand, pitched fairly well his last time out, going eight innings and giving up 12 hits and six runs, all of them earned, in Friday's 6-3 loss to Michigan. Iowa plays Grand View, an NAIA school from Des Moines, Wednesday at Iowa Field. Game time is set for 2 p.m. DI sportswriter Roger Kuznia can be reached at roger-kuznia@uiowa.edu

SPRING FOOTBALL PRACTICE



Pete Thompson/The Daily Iowan
Iowa football coach Kirk Ferentz studies his players at the Hayden Fry Football Complex on Friday. Iowa spring football practices began last Wednesday.

SPORTS

Jordan confirms reports

■ The former Bulls star said he has spoken with Hornets and NBA officials about co-ownership of the Charlotte team.

By Paul Nowell
Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Michael Jordan went on record Monday that he's had preliminary talks about co-owning the Charlotte Hornets, but will his presence bring back the fans?

And could it even breathe new life into the uphill battle to build a new downtown NBA arena?

Lofty expectations for just one man.

But this is Michael Jordan, after all.

Jordan wasn't saying very much about his plans, although he did confirm that he has been in touch with Hornets and NBA officials.

"In response to reports, I can confirm that I have been contacted by (Hornets owner) George Shinn and (NBA commissioner) David Stern regarding co-ownership of the Charlotte Hornets," Jordan said in the statement issued through agent David Falk's office in Washington.

Jordan spoke with Shinn earlier this month about buying a 50-percent share of the NBA franchise, according to officials with the Hornets and the league.

"At this stage, however, the discussions are very preliminary and I am unsure whether I will be able to



Michael Jordan and his wife, Juanita, answer questions after he announced his retirement on Jan. 13 at the United Center in Chicago.

make an investment on terms that are acceptable to me," Jordan said.

Hornets officials were not talking Monday about Jordan's remarks.

Jordan, who grew up in Wilmington and starred at the University of North Carolina, said staying involved in the NBA "would be a fulfilling personal and business challenge."

"In addition, as a North Carolina native, I would welcome the opportunity to be involved in growing the Hornets into an elite NBA team," Jordan said. "It would be premature to comment any further."

Jordan also has met with John Fennebresque, chairman of a committee that is trying to develop a

new downtown arena, *The Charlotte Observer* reported.

Fennebresque did not immediately return messages left at his Charlotte office Monday.

The *Chicago Sun-Times*, quoting unidentified sources in an article Sunday, said Jordan and Falk were in the Bahamas, discussing the move from retired player to part-time owner.

"If this is something Michael wants to do, I'm all for it because he's earned the right to do whatever he wants to do," Bulls chairman Jerry Reinsdorf told the newspaper over the weekend. "I also believe he would make a good owner. He is good at everything he does."

Purdue coach enters WNBA on a high

■ Carolyn Peck will leave the NCAA champions to become coach and general manager of the Orlando Miracle.

By Chuck Schoffner
Associated Press

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Carolyn Peck's coaching resume at Purdue shows two Big Ten tournament championships, one regular-season title and now, a national championship.

Not bad for two years' work.

And two years is all it will be because Peck is leaving the nation's No. 1-ranked team to become coach and general manager of a WNBA expansion team, the Orlando Miracle. Purdue's 62-45 victory over Duke in Sunday



Paul Sakuma/Associated Press
Purdue coach Carolyn Peck holds up the net after her team won the NCAA championship game Sunday.

night's NCAA championship game was her last appearance with the Boilermakers.

Peck was named to the Orlando job last summer, but wanted to stay at Purdue in part because the team's two stars, Stephanie

White-McCarty and Ukari Figgs, already had played for three different coaches in three years. She wasn't about to have them play for a fourth as seniors.

They paid her back by putting her into an elite group. Peck, still full of youthful exuberance at 33, is just the 11th different coach — and the first black — to win an NCAA women's championship.

"It's an accomplishment, but there are several other African-American women that have allowed the opportunity for me, a lot of women in general," Peck said. "I didn't win a national championship because of the

color of my skin. We won a national championship because of the 15 young women that are on our team and how hard they play together."

That comment was typical of Peck, who always deflected the attention to her players. As the spotlight on the team increased during its tournament run, Peck steadfastly refused to talk about her new job and kept the focus on Purdue.

When a reporter at the Midwest Regional asked her about it, Peck shot back, "We got that out of the way in July." End of discussion.

Now she has to start paying attention to Orlando because the WNBA's expansion draft is April 6. She's definitely going into it on a high.

"It's been great," Peck said. "I was very fortunate to start my college career with this team. They are awesome."

Purdue, which finished 34-1 with 32 straight victories, gave an indication of the kind of season this might be when it beat Tennessee, which had won the last three national championships, in its very first game. The Boilermakers won at Arizona the next time out, lost by a point at Stanford three days later and then never lost again.

"We won a national championship because of the 15 young women that are on our team and how hard they play together."
— Carolyn Peck

SPRING TRAINING ROUNDUP

Sosa jumps ahead of Mac in home run race

The Associated Press

Sammy Sosa hit his major league-best 10th home run of the spring and drove in four runs in the Chicago Cubs' 9-5 loss to the Colorado Rockies.

"I'm using my hips and my body a little more and staying behind the ball," said Sosa, who moved one ahead of Mark McGwire in the spring home run race. "That's why I'm hitting the ball hard."

At Tampa, Fla., Darryl Strawberry's return to the New York Yankees from cancer was put on hold when manager Joe Torre told the slugger he would not make the opening day roster.

"It's just another mountain that I have to climb. I'll get over it," said Strawberry, who had colon cancer surgery last October.

Strawberry will remain at extended spring training when the Yankees open the season next week. He will go to Triple-A Columbus after he completes his chemotherapy at the end of April.

At Phoenix, Kenny Rogers will not start opening night for Oakland to give him more time to rebuild his arm strength after a bout of elbow tendinitis.

Either Jimmy Haynes or Tom Candiotti will likely get the assignment to face Roger Clemens and the defending World Series champion Yankees next Monday night.

At Peoria, Ariz., San Diego left-hander Mark Langston, who finally made it to the World Series last year after 15 seasons and 432 appearances, retired.

"I have no regrets," Langston said. "I was able to get to the World

Series with this team last year. It's something I'll never forget. It's just time to walk away."

There were also three trades Monday. San Diego acquired Phil Nevin from Anaheim for infielder Andy Sheets, giving the Padres catching depth after starter Carlos Hernandez went down for the season.

The Tampa Bay Devil Rays traded right-hander Jason Johnson to the Baltimore Orioles for outfielder Danny Clyburn and a player to be named later.

Meanwhile, the Florida Marlins traded outfielder Pat Watkins to the Colorado Rockies for a player to be named later.

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SPORTS

Hamilton carries Huskies

Richard Hamilton made the right decision by not going to the NBA early.

By Hal Bock
Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Last spring, Richard Hamilton thought seriously about leaving Connecticut for the NBA.

He had all the credentials including a couple of Big East championships and the conference's Player of the Year award. So he talked it over with coach Jim Calhoun and together they decided there was one more piece of business for him to complete.

"We won the Big East but never the national championship," he said. "I thought about that. I didn't want to end my season on a loss. The only thing I could do about it was come back and play."

On Monday night, he made sure to finish with a win, pouring in 27 points as the Huskies beat Duke 77-74 for the national championship he wanted so much.

Calhoun was suitably grateful. "The first thing is, he's a great basketball player," he said. "Great scorers score so many different ways and can beat you so many different ways. He has a tremendous mind for the game."

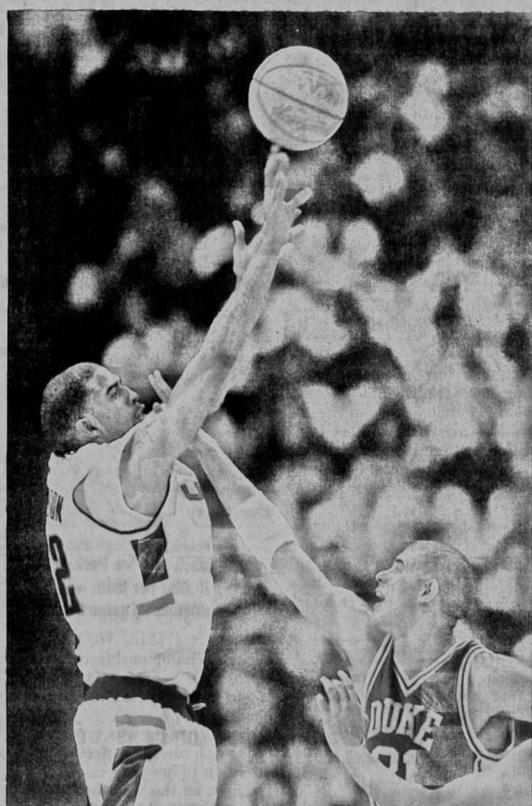
Hamilton was heroic in the victory. Every time UConn needed a basket, he seemed there for it. He slashed to the basket, he nailed shots from outside and he took the game over in the second half.

For him, though, it was routine. "It's been the same thing that's been going on all year," he said. "My teammates set screens. I got open opportunities and I took advantage of them."

There was one sequence near the end that showed just how much he means to Calhoun's program.

With the score tied at 68 and

STAR OF THE GAME



Dave Martin/Associated Press
Connecticut's Richard Hamilton shoots over Duke's Trajan Langdon during the second half of Monday's NCAA championship game.

3:50 left to play, he took a shot to the midsection from Duke's Chris Carrawell. Hamilton was doubled over for a moment, trying to catch his breath. Finally, he stepped to the foul line and nailed the free throws for a lead the Huskies would never again surrender.

Then, just for emphasis, the next time down the floor, he drained a 3-pointer, extending UConn's lead to five points.

For the game, he finished with 10-of-22 from the floor with seven rebounds and three assists. He was not intimidated by Duke.

"Once the ball was thrown up, we attacked them like we do any other team," he said.

Hamilton was the heart of the

UConn season, averaging 19.7 points and becoming the second highest scorer in school history when he went over the 2,000-point mark in Saturday's semifinal victory against Ohio State. He was an All-American and co-Player of the Year in the Big East Conference, joining Patrick Ewing and Chris Mullin as the only two-time winners of that award.

And when he wasn't around, UConn missed him.

The Huskies won their first 20 games this season but when he and Jake Voshkul were hurt and missed a Feb. 1 game against Syracuse, the Huskies lost. It was no coincidence and something Calhoun said he thought about when he talked about the NBA with Hamilton last spring.

COLUMN BY JIM LITKE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Magic vs. Bird changed soul of the game

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — It changed more than the face of college basketball. It changed the soul of the game, too.

When Larry Bird met Magic Johnson on a Monday night in March 1979 with a national title on the line, the TV rights to the NCAA tournament cost what a light-hitting shortstop does today — about \$6 million a year.

Twenty years later, CBS paid the NCAA 100 times that much to show Duke and Connecticut finish off the same tournament.

Money is hardly the only measure of how the event has changed. But it is certainly the most revealing. As would happen with the NBA a decade later, the Bird vs. Magic rivalry laid the foundation that would make the Final Four one of sports' cornerstone properties, a showcase big enough to build personalities and a lore all its own — and cash in on year after year.

Suddenly, the stakes were raised all the way around. The influx of dollars was so great it gave teenage stars enough leverage to make hostages of the schools that pursued them. It turned coaches into celebrities who could command six-figure contracts and multimillion-dollar shoe deals. It made the NCAA powerful beyond the most ambitious bureaucrat's wildest dreams. It fattened budgets at athletic departments that once struggled to pay for towels.

And maybe most important to its success, the one-loss-and-you're-gone format made for great TV drama that gained momentum on successive weekends as even casual fans tracked its progress in thousands of office pools.

"It gave college basketball a three-week window to tell hundreds and hundreds of great stories about student-athletes, about the programs, the schools, about so many different things," Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun said.

Calhoun should know, since his is one of the best stories around. Until this season, his Connecticut teams had won five Big East regular-season titles, a scintillating 72 percent of their games, advanced to the round of 16 on six occasions and the round of eight on three of those.

But without the instant credibility an appearance in the Final Four commands, Calhoun's resume was always found to be wanting.

"That's my only complaint," he

said. "Three weeks in March can't determine if somebody can coach or not."

This Final Four is the 28th he has attended, but the first where Calhoun is still on the job. In the past, he was one among dozens of coaches making the rounds at what has become the sport's annual convention and trade show. Now, he is where the young coaches working the lobbies for news on job openings aspire to be.

Calhoun's counterpart in tonight's game, Mike Krzyzewski, got his leg up at an early age, taking the Blue Devils to the Final Four in 1986, when he was just 40. But his success — two national championships and eight trips to the Final Four — has not erased the memory of what it was like to climb the ladder, especially in that magical year of 1979.

Krzyzewski was then in his fourth year at Army, relatively new to the ways of the coaching fraternity. He remembers the tremendous anticipation surrounding that

final game, the "aura" that Bird and Magic brought to the game.

"I remember wondering," he joked, "why all these great players didn't want to be Army officers. I could see Bird and Magic being future generals."

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Baseball officials discuss future games against Cuba

Most of the people involved think playing the Cubans is a good thing.

By Ben Walker
Associated Press

HAVANA — Baseball people of all sorts were buzzing Monday in the waiting area at Jose Marti International Airport. The No. 1 topic? Trying to set up more games between major league teams and the Cubans.

League presidents, owners, general managers, scouts and union executives all seemed to agree, for once: The Baltimore Orioles' week-end trip to Havana worked so well that more clubs should follow.

"We will start talking soon about doing it again next year," said for-

mer infielder Tony Bernazard, now at the players' union.

Cuban sports officials also seemed satisfied with the first visit by a major league team in 40 years. They appear willing to make this an annual event and no doubt would love to have the New York Yankees, a popular team among fans on the Communist island.

"To come down here and experience it, just to get to see and understand the mystique of Cuba, it was worth it," Montreal GM Jim Beattie said. "Having done it once, the next time you won't have that fear or awe."

Almost all 30 major league teams sent a representative or two to see the Orioles beat a Cuban all-star team, 3-2, in 11 innings Sunday. Tampa Bay Devil Rays owner Vince Naimoli hopes the trip helps him

understand more about star pitcher Rolando Arrojo, a Cuban defector.

"I'll have a conversation with him," Naimoli said. "I'm a great student of learning by walking around, and I'll talk about the things I saw."

AL president Gene Budig and NL president Len Coleman liked what they saw. So did Toronto Blue Jays scout Bob Engle.

"I think any time you get to see guys who don't have a lot of exposure, it's good," Engle said. "You got to see a lot of pitching. It gives you a good measure."

With several rival scouts sitting near him waiting for a charter flight to Miami, Engle was hesitant to identify the Cubans he liked. But asked whether he thought some of them had big league potential, he firmly said yes.

Jose Contreras pitched eight scoreless innings, allowed only two hits and struck out 10. Third baseman Omar Linares, considered the island's best player at 32, hit a tying single in the eighth inning that made Cuban President Fidel Castro grin from a front-row seat behind the plate.

Several top Cubans did not face Baltimore because they are playing in the current series between the Havana Industriales and Santiago for the country's league championship.

Industriales shortstop German Mesa, whose talent kept Rey Ordonez on the bench before the future Gold Glover defected and joined the New York Mets, may play when the Cubans visit Baltimore's Camden Yards on May 3.

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Reggie Miller was then the Pacers attempted to tie the game, giving Indiana one possession of the ball. Miller hit the free throw to give the Pacers a 90-88 lead.

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NEW YORK (AP) — Wayne Gretzky came through with another milestone goal, this time the game winner with 2:07 left Monday night, leading the desperate New York Rangers to a 3-1 victory over the New York Islanders.

With the goal, Gretzky not only surpassed Gordie Howe as the leading goal scorer in pro hockey history, he also gave the Rangers some hope for a playoff berth.

With eight games to go, the Rangers moved within five points of Boston, which holds the eighth and final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

Gretzky's goal was the 1,072nd of his career — 20 NHL seasons and one season in the WHA.



Should Major League Baseball teams continue to play Cuba?

One need look no further than the Olympics or the World Cup to see the positive effects sports have had on international relations.

Sports have often helped ease tensions between countries, and the recent baseball game between the Baltimore Orioles and Cuba could produce similar results.

"It met and exceeded my expectations," said Baltimore owner Peter Angelos, who had been working for two years to make the series become a reality.

The United States and Cuba have their philosophical differences, of course, but there's no reason Cuban players shouldn't be able to play against the best American players.

U.S. foreign policy too often punishes the citizens of a rival

country for the nation's sins, when it should really focus on the people in charge. It's a good thing, therefore, that the two teams were able to meet Sunday. The 50,000 fans were given a treat, and the Cuban players enjoyed a day they will never forget.

Cuban president Fidel Castro was a hit among baseball officials Sunday night at a banquet. Several of his guests remarked on his cordiality and hospitality. This by no means excuses his human rights violations and other oppressive tactics, but perhaps it's a sign that positive changes are approaching.

It wouldn't be all that surprising if baseball contributes to the improvement of Cubans' lives.

— James Kramer

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If the U.S. wanted to make amends with Cuba, it would lift the trade ban and let the Baltimore Orioles bring back some of the finest cigars in the world.

But the fact remains that no one can bring back anything from Cuba because of an international trade ban, and baseball should adhere to it.

Even though I'm all for sports and music transcending politics and bringing people together, I think playing baseball in a Communist country is like saying it's OK to buy Fidel Castro another Mercedes-Benz.

There's a reason that 40 years passed between the last major league appearance in Cuba and the Orioles' victory over the Cuban national team Sunday.

Florida Marlins owner John Henry, Cuban defectors Livan Hernandez of the Marlins and Orlando "El Duque" Hernandez of the New York Yankees all have criticized the effort by Cuban authorities and Major League Baseball to play a two-game series.

"People are not aware of the depth of oppression in Cuba," Henry said. "If they were, no one would support this game."

If the U.S. wants to improve relations with its southern rival, start with the trading ban. Playing baseball in Cuba is not like playing football in Japan. Americans can bring back Japanese cigars.

— Todd Heffernan

NBA ROUNDUP

Long's fourth-quarter surge lifts Hawks

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Reserve Grant Long scored 12 points in the fourth quarter, including two free throws with 3.4 seconds left, as the Atlanta Hawks edged the Indiana Pacers, 83-82, Monday night.

The Hawks, who have defeated the Central Division leaders in all three meetings this season, rallied from a 10-point deficit in the final eight minutes.

Long was fouled by Rik Smits as he drove to the basket in the closing seconds and made both free throws to give Atlanta an 83-81 lead.

Reggie Miller was then fouled as the Pacers attempted to inbound the ball, giving Indiana one free throw and possession of the ball under a new rule regarding fouls on inbound plays in the last two minutes of the fourth quarter and overtime.

Miller hit the free throw to make

it 83-82. The Pacers then inbounded the ball, but couldn't get a shot off before the final buzzer.

Anthony Johnson, starting in place of ailing Mookie Blaylock, scored a season-high 17 points for Atlanta. Dikemba Mutombo added 14 points and 17 rebounds for the Hawks.

Smits led the Pacers with 22 points, while Miller finished with 17.

Sonics 109, Mavericks 101

DALLAS — Gary Payton and Detlef Schrempf each scored 20 points as Seattle beat Dallas.

Billy Owens added 15 points, John Crotty 11 and Dale Ellis 10 for the SuperSonics, who had dropped two of their previous three and four of six.

Gary Trent's 20 points and nine rebounds paced the Mavericks, who lost their fourth in a row.

Erick Strickland had 17 points and Michael Finley 13 for Dallas. The Mavericks, losers of seven of their past eight, got 12 points from Shawn Bradley, 11 from rookie Dirk Nowitzki and 10 each from Hubert Davis and Samaki Walker.

Nuggets 100, Clippers 88

DENVER — Antonio McDyess had 24 points and 15 rebounds, and Chauncey Billups added a season-high 24 points as Denver ended a four-game losing streak with a victory over Los Angeles.

Nick Van Exel scored 22 points and Danny Fortson had 15 for the Nuggets.

Rodney Rogers had 17 points and Troy Hudson added 16 for the Clippers, who shot 37 percent from the field against a Denver team ranked next-to-last in the league in field-goal percentage defense.

Rogers scored four straight points and Hudson hit a 3-pointer with 7:25 left as the Clippers pulled within 84-73. McDyess answered with a dunk and free throw, and Van Exel made a driving layup, free throw and 3-pointer over the next two minutes to put Denver ahead 93-73.

Billups scored 11 points in the third quarter, including a 3-pointer at the buzzer that put Denver up 78-61.

Hockey East sends three teams to Final Four

BOSTON (AP) — It seems like a long way to travel to play your neighbors. But that's exactly what Boston College, New Hampshire and Maine will do this week to compete in the Frozen Four of the NCAA hockey championships.

This year's tournament marks the first time Hockey East has sent three teams to the final four. The last time one conference sent three schools was in 1992 when Lake Superior State, Michigan State, and Michigan went from the CCHA.

While it is unusual, the New England coaches said they are not surprised three teams are making the cross-country trip to Anaheim, Calif.

"If we look at the league this past year and see how it's going, we're never going to be embarrassed by our 11 losses," said Boston College coach Jerry York, whose team went 27-11-4. "I think our league this year is very competitive."

Boston College relied on its Hockey East experience to triumph in two differently styled games, a physical 2-1 win against Northern Michigan in the first round and then a skillful 3-1 victory over North Dakota in the second round of the West Regionals in Madison, Wis.

"Our team was prepared for North Dakota

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and Northern Michigan by playing in our league. In particular, the games with Maine and UNH helped our club," York said.

Langston calls it quits

PEORIA, Ariz. — San Diego Padres left-hander Mark Langston retired Monday, five months after pitching in his first World Series.

Langston, who finally made it to the Series after 15 big league seasons and 432 appearances, was in Padres camp as a non-roster player after signing a minor league contract in the offseason.

Padres acquire Nevin

SAN DIEGO — The San Diego Padres added to their catching depth Monday by acquiring Phil Nevin from the Anaheim Angels for utility infielder Andy Sheets. Each team also gave up a minor leaguer.

The Padres needed depth because starting catcher Carlos Hernandez is out for the season after tearing his left Achilles' tendon in an exhibition game.

Swift released by M's

PEORIA, Ariz. — Right-hander Bill Swift was released by the Seattle Mariners on Monday.

Swift, 37, had a 7.20 ERA in 10 innings this

spring, allowing nine earned runs and 13 hits with six strikeouts and six walks. He did not have a decision.

"We did not feel Bill fit into our plans for the 1999 season," Mariners general manager Woody Woodward said. "We have made a commitment to our younger pitchers. Hopefully, today's move gives Bill time to catch on with another major league team prior to the start of the year."

Strawberry to remain at extended spring training

TAMPA, Fla. — Darryl Strawberry fell short in his bid to return to the New York Yankees by opening day.

Strawberry, who had colon cancer surgery last October, will remain at extended spring training when the Yankees open the season next week, manager Joe Torre said Monday. The 37-year-old outfielder will go to Triple-A Columbus after he completes his chemotherapy.

Chen sent to minors

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — Rookie Bruce Chen, tabbed as the Atlanta Braves' fifth starter after Denny Neagle was traded to Cincinnati, was sent to the minors Monday and replaced in the rotation by another rookie, Odalis Perez.

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• Ed. Associate - 6 hrs. day - Wood
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• Night Custodian - 8 hrs. day - West
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• Night Custodian - 6.2 hrs. day - Hills
• Night Custodian - 4 hrs. day - Day Care /Tech Center
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Williams sisters on path to greatness

Richard Williams believes his daughters eventually will be the top two women's tennis players in the world.

By Steven Wine
Associated Press

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. — Tennis fans, tournament promoters and Serena Williams are ready for a rematch.

Richard Williams wants to recover from Sunday first.

As the father of the finalists at the Lipton Championships, Williams admitted that the occasion was emotionally wrenching. He led the cheers at the start of the match and was in his seat at the finish, when Venus completed a 6-1, 4-6, 6-4 victory for her second consecutive Lipton title.

But during the match, Richard's thoughts turned to the poor neighborhood in Compton, Calif., where the family lived before moving to Florida in 1991. The memories stirred his emotions and sent him out the stadium tunnel for a calming cigarette.

Williams' hands shook during a news conference the day before Serena played big sister Venus, and he wasn't much calmer at a news conference after the match.

"We're used to being on the corner in Compton where people are shouting and doing drugs," he said. "This is very strange to me, sitting up here and you people talking to me. I actually feel like a fool."

The sibling showdown attracted attention from the international media. They're eager for a rematch, but they'll have to wait, because Serena and Venus aren't scheduled to play the same tournament again until the Italian Open in early May.

The consensus, however, is that Sunday's Williams-Williams final



Tony Gutierrez/Associated Press

Serena Williams returns a ball to her sister, Venus, during the final round of the Lipton Championships on Sunday.

could be the first of many.

Venus, 18, is ranked sixth this week. Serena, 17, is a career-high 11th. Dad predicts they'll eventually be 1-2, and his opinion counts, because he said years ago that his daughters were destined for greatness.

"The first time I ever took Venus to the tennis court, I walked home and told my wife, 'Baby, we have a champion. This girl is rough, tough, strong and mentally sound. Those are the four qualities all champions have.'"

How old was Venus at the time? "Four years, six months and one day," her dad said. "At five years old, I took the racket out of her hand. I wouldn't let her play for a year because she loved it too much."

Serena started playing at about the same age, and she benefited from such practice partners as John McEnroe and Pete Sampras. "Because Serena couldn't beat those guys with power, she had to learn to do angles and drop shots,"

Richard Williams said. "Right now, I think Serena is hitting angles and drop shots better than anyone."

But will she overtake Venus? Serena trails 3-0 in the sibling rivalry, and there's division within the family regarding how many tournaments she and Venus should enter together.

Richard Williams said he once paid a psychiatrist to study the effects when sisters play each other. "We learned that tennis is the only game that's extremely rough on a family," he said.

But he said his daughters are old enough to decide for themselves which events to enter.

"We'll be in a lot of the same tournaments," Venus said.

"We're Jehovah's Witnesses, and we really believe that family comes first," Serena said. "No matter how many times we play each other, I could never say that it would affect my relationship with Venus."

No. 1 Duval shrugs off new ranking

The world's top-ranked golfer said he and his pro rivals should "just play."

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — Ten months ago, David Duval tried to fend off questions about whether he was the best golfer in the world.

"I don't think it's fair for me to answer that," he said then, at the Memorial tournament. "If I say yes, then I'm arrogant. If I say no, I have no confidence."

Now, Duval doesn't have to say anything at all. He has always preferred to stand on his results, and Sunday was no different in The Players Championship.

His patience tested in the most taxing conditions, Duval never lost his poise. Five times over the course of the final round, he had bogey putts of at least 4 feet — one of them was 15 feet. He made them all.

"Before I teed off, I told myself that the person who wins this tournament is going to make these putts," he said. "If I wanted somebody to make it, I wanted me to do it. So let's just knock them in."

On the scariest hole in golf when a tournament is on the line, the island-green 17th at the Stadium Course on the TPC at Sawgrass, Duval didn't flinch. He pulled a wedge from the bag and hit it six feet from the hole for a birdie that



Steve Simoneau/Associated Press

David Duval tees off on the 16th hole during the final round of The Players Championship on Sunday.

clinched a two-stroke victory over Scott Gump.

"All I tried to do was grab the club and hit it," Duval said.

It was his third victory this year — no one else has more than one — and 10th in his last 33 starts dating to October 1997. It was worth \$900,000, enough to put him over the \$8 million mark for a career that began less than five years ago.

More than anything, it took care of the one number that everyone had been talking about since January.

The victory moved Duval to the top world ranking Monday for the first time, ending Tiger Woods' reign of 41 weeks.

Before the week began, Duval said he didn't care about the world ranking. Not much changed as he

sat next to his 10th trophy.

"It's nice to be now ranked No. 1 ... but it is not a concern of mine," he said. "I've been playing well for a while. If I had won one out of three golf tournaments and couldn't get to No. 1, then I didn't know exactly what I need to do. So let's forget about it and just play."

If watching Duval play over the toughest conditions ever on the Stadium Course was not impressive enough, watching other great players collapse around him only emphasized the state of his game.

Duval was a stroke behind Joe Ozaki entering the weekend. Ernie Els, Davis Love III and Nick Price were among those within four shots of the lead. But after the third round, when Duval forged ahead by one stroke, Price was the only player still under par.

Price, Phil Mickelson, Steve Stricker and Payne Stewart, Colin Montgomerie and Mark O'Meara flirted with the lead Sunday. All of them had either a ball in the water (or two) or some other disaster waiting.

Not Duval. He doesn't carry a 60-degree sand wedge or try to pull off impossible shots that ostensibly lead to trouble. He prefers to steer clear of danger and let his wedge and putter bail him out.

That proved to be a winning ticket in the Players. Duval never got himself on the wrong side of the hole for a three-putt. He never took anything worse than bogey.

NASCAR fans forced to wait

A congested parking lot created problems for fans leaving the Texas Motor Speedway.

By Katie Fairbank
Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — Many NASCAR fans spent as many as 7 1/2 hours trying to get away from the Texas Motor Speedway's muddy parking lots — more than twice the time it took Terry Labonte to win the Primestar 500.

After two years of complaints, drivers said the racing surface at the \$165 million facility — where water seeped through the asphalt last year — was improved. But fans in the parking lots on Sunday weathered puddles and knee-deep mud following heavy thundershowers.

But it was the cluster of cars stranded in some lots that frustrated people even more.

"The worst part was just plain old waiting. Not moving, not knowing what was going on, and not knowing why we weren't moving," said Sandra Young of Longview, who



Tim Sharp/Associated Press

Terry Labonte completed the Primestar 500 in half the time it took some fans to exit the parking lot, which was plagued with puddles and knee-deep mud.

said her vehicle made less than a foot of headway in more than 5 1/2 hours. "There were people standing outside of their vehicles ... trying to see what was going on."

Track spokeswoman Sarona Winfrey said a two-car accident and a broken recreational vehicle clogged the main corridor.

"Once you get an accident, trying to get it flowing again is difficult," she said.

Even at the best of times, the track empties from only three exits onto just two highways. Construction to widen one of the highways is supposed to be finished later this year.

Discontented fans, who had no lavatory facilities available, used the field. After several hours, folks stranded without supplies were offering money for beer, soda and water.

Some people went so far as to build a bonfire in the parking lot.

"They were pouring straight diesel fuel on it because they were bored," Young said. "It started with three pieces of newspapers."

The Fort Worth Police, who directed traffic at the track, had no log records of any delays, wrecks or even of the bonfire, which smoked for several hours.

TUESDAY PRIME TIME		6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
HOME ANTENNA													
KGAN	27	News	Seinfeld	JAG: Shakedown	Species (R, '95) ** (Ben Kingsley)	News	Late Show w/Letterman	C. Kibben					
KWLV	27	News	Wheel	3rd Rock	Frasier	Just Shoot	Will/Grace	Dateline NBC	News	Tonight Show			
KFXA	27	Roseanne	Roseanne	King of Hill	The PJs	Magician's Code	Mad About The Nanny	Cops	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Cheers		
KCRG	27	News	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Hughleys	Spin City	Sports Ngt.	NYPD Blue	News	Friends	Coach	Nightline	
KJIN	27	NewsHour	Trailside	Nova		Facing the Truth With Bill Moyers		Business	Thin Blue	Mr. Bean	Democracy		
CABLE CHANNELS													
TBS	27	Roseanne	Roseanne	Fatal Error (99) (Antonio Sabato Jr.)		The First Power (R, '90) * (Lou Diamond Phillips)		Buried Secrets (11:10)					
UI TV	27	France	Spanish	International Writers		Education	Universe	Culture	Korean	Greece	France	Italy	
DISC	27	Salmon: Against Tides	Firefight	Firefight	Firefight	Firefight	Firefight	Firefight	Firefight	Firefight	Firefight	Firefight	Firefight
WGN	27	Matters	Matters	Buffy, Vampire Slayer	Felicity: Pilot	News	MacGyver						
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BRVA	27	Inside Actor's Studio	The Shooting Party (84) *** (James Mason)			Lite/Times Little Jimmy							
BET	27	Planet Groove	Hit List	Sparks	Thes	Comicview							
FAM	27	Add. Fam.	Add. Fam.	Add. Fam.	Add. Fam.	Protocol (PG, '84) ** (Goldie Hawn)							
TNN	27	The Waltons	Life of Conway Twitty	Prime Time Country	Celebrating Hitmakers	Dallas: The Switch							
ENC	27	Willy Wonka and the ...	Places in the Heart (PG, '84) *** (Sally Field)			Romero (R, 55) (PG-13, '89) *** (Raul Julia)							
AMC	27	Voyage to the ...	Pocket Money (PG, '72) ** (Paul Newman)			Heaven and Hell: Bible							
MTV	27	Beavis	Sif/Oily	Say What? Cliches	Total Request	Unflipped	BiOrhythm	Blame	Lovelace				
USA	27	Xena: Warrior Princess	Walker, Texas Ranger	Moby Dick (Part 1) (98) ** (Patrick Stewart)		New York Undercover							
FX	27	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	The X-Files (Part 1 of 2)	NYPD Blue	M*A*S*H	Comedy	The X-Files: Unrequited					
NICK	27	Doug	Rugrats	Thorn.	Skeeter	Brady	Wonder Yr.	Jeffersons	Laverne	Love Lucy	Bewitched	Brady	Happy Days
TNT	27	ER: Union Station	NBA Basketball: Indiana Pacers at New York Knicks (Live)	Inside NBA									
ESPN	27	SportsCtr.	Outside the Lines	Billiards	Sumo	Baseball Tonight	SportsCenter	Baseball Tonight					
A&E	27	Law & Order	Biography	Inside Story		Inspector Morse	Law & Order	Biography					
SPC	27	Sports	Last Word	Game R'm	NBA Basketball: Philadelphia 76ers at Chicago Bulls (Live)	Locker R'm	Sports	Fox Sports News					
LIFE	27	Party of Five: Short Cuts	Chicago Hope	Any Day Now		Intimate Portrait	Attitudes	Golden Girl	Golden Girl	Golden Girl	Golden Girl	Golden Girl	Golden Girl
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PREMIUM CHANNELS													
HBO	27	Born Yesterday (6:15) (PG, '93) **				Great Expectations (R, '98) ** (Ethan Hawke)				The Sopranos: Isabella			U.S. Marshals (PG-13)
DIS	27	Easter Egg	Easter	Easter Bunny		Lucas (PG-13, '86) *** (Corey Haim)	Growing	Walt Disney Presents	Zorro	Michy			
MAX	27	Allen (R, '79) ***	Switchback (R, '97) ** (Dennis Quaid)			Allen Resurrection (R, '97) ** (Sigourney Weaver)				The Experiment (R, '97)			

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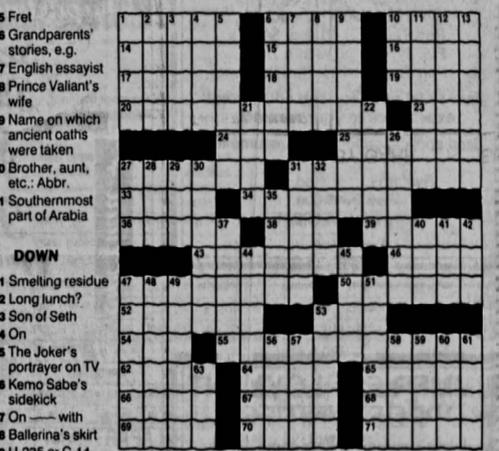
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- 14 How to play a dirge
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- 17 Woolf's "___ of One's Own"
- 18 Peacekeeping force in Bosnia
- 19 Not strict
- 20 Infalible fact
- 23 "There but for the grace of God"
- 24 Copacabana site
- 25 Westerns
- 27 Small tropical lizards
- 31 Arrest record
- 33 Jai
- 34 Eisenhower's boyhood home
- 36 Biblical sin city
- 38 Klutz
- 39 Woods on the fairway
- 43 Paramaribo is its capital
- 46 Achy
- 47 Halle
- 50 "Paper Roses" singer Marie
- 52 Strands, as by a winter storm
- 53 Just ducky
- 54 Speed: Abbr.
- 55 Rural route
- 62 Pub stock
- 64 Calif.'s meat
- 65 Fret
- 66 Grandparents' stories, e.g.
- 67 English essayist
- 68 Prince Valiant's wife
- 69 Name on which ancient oaths were taken
- 70 Brother, aunt, etc.: Abbr.
- 71 Southernmost part of Arabia

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- 1 Smelting residue
- 2 Long lunch?
- 3 Son of Seth
- 4 On
- 5 The Joker's portrayal on TV
- 6 Kemo Sabe's sidekick
- 7 On ___ with
- 8 Ballerina's skirt
- 9 U-235 or C-14, e.g.
- 10 ___ relief
- 11 Orbital high point
- 12 Prior to
- 13 One who makes a scene?
- 21 Actress Bonet
- 22 Lacks, in brief
- 28 Belief in one God
- 27 Neon, e.g.
- 28 "Shine a Little Love" rock grp.
- 29 Ungentlemanly sort
- 30 Newsstands
- 31 Laughing
- 32 Code word for A
- 38 Seethe
- 37 Orchestra output
- 40 Sticky stuff
- 41 Sea eagle
- 42 Badly chapped
- 44 Trampled
- 48 "The Hound of the Baskervilles" locale
- 47 Competes equally with
- 56 Congo river
- 57 Catch but good
- 58 Part
- 59 City near Provo
- 60 Museo holdings
- 61 Actress Cannon
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With more than 40 students homeless after recent fires, local experts urge tenants to invest in renter's insurance.

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By Sam A

The Daily

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